



# Terrell

# Trails



From the castle of Ralf, Sire de Tirel near Paris France; to England; to Ireland; to the USA; and beyond--  
these are some of the Terrell Trails upon the sands of time.

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### COULD YOU JOIN US?

The Terrell Society of America is organized to locate, centrally store, and disseminate information about the Terrell lineages, regardless of variations in spelling.

We regret that we do not have a staff to do your ancestral research but maybe if enough of you will join us, the volume of information will be large enough to fit the pieces together much faster than we can do individually.

We are actively recruiting members from all who can trace their ancestry back to someone who descended from or may have descended from the Terrells/Tyrrells/Terrills who migrated to the USA from England or elsewhere in Europe.

Each issue of *Terrell Trails* will contain membership applications and information. If you or someone you know meets those qualifications, we would like to hear from you or them.

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*Terrell Trails* is different! This quarterly publication is not limited to the descendants of one Terrell. We will try to include information from various lines whenever possible.

*Terrell Trails* will be published 4 times per year--Spring, Summer, Fall, & Winter. There will be at least 4 pages 8 1/2 x 11 inches. Whenever funds are available, larger issues will be printed.

*Terrell Trails* will be drilled for filing in an ordinary 3 ring binder so that you can keep your issues for future generations.

*Terrell Trails* will include photographs whenever possible--not only of recent reunions, etc., but of older generations.

The pages of *Terrell Trails* will be numbered sequentially from issue to issue, ie., Vol I #1 will begin with page 1; Vol I #2 will begin with the next available page number. If possible, Vol I #4 will have an index of all the names appearing in issues #1 - #4 with the page number on which the name appears. If the publication and the Society are successful, additional enlarged indexes will be published to assist researchers in locating specific names.

If you would like a binder with *Terrell Trails* printed on it, we may be able to obtain them for about \$6.00 to \$8.00 each, depending upon the number interested. If you are interested in having a special binder, please let us know.

If you have suggestions to improve *Terrell Trails* please share those with us too. If you want a reply, please send a long, self-addressed envelope; due to our limited budget, we cannot and will not attempt to reply otherwise.

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### CHANGES

*Births, Marriages, Moves, Deaths*  
You let us know: Who? When? Where?

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## STONE AGE

*The Proven; The Probable; The Possible;  
and The Mythological from Europe*

ORIGIN OF THE NAME: Volumes have been written about the family in its earlier centuries in France & England. The most concise listing of these is found in a book written by Walter Garland Duke in 1949 titled HENRY DUKE, COUNCILOR, with pages 398-400 containing the lineages from Pepin Le Gros of Heristal through 25 generations ending with Sir Thomas Tyrrell, of Heron, Sheriff of Essex and Werts in England in 1460.

The generations to the origin of our name is listed as follows:

- 99 Pepin Le Gros of Heristal
- 100 Childebrand I, Duke of Burgundy, son of Pepin Le Gros and his second wife Alpais
- 101 Nivelon I, Count of Autun, Macon, and the Vexin
- 102 Childebrand II, Count of Autun, Macon, and the Vexin
- 103 Eccard, Count of Autun, Macon, and the Vexin

- 104 Nivelon II, Count of Autun, Macon, and the Vexin
- 105 Terric, Count of Autun, Macon, and the Vexin
- 106 Waleran, Hereditary Standard Bearer of France; died 965; md. Eldegarde, dau. of Arnulph I, and his wife Alisa de Vermandois, dau. of Heribert I, Count of Vexin and Vermandois.
- 107 Walter I, Count of Vexin and Amiens, 995; gave land to the Abbey of Soissons; md. Eve, dau. of Landry, Count of Dreux
- 108 Ralf, fourth son; Sire de Tirel and Poix, Viscount of Amiens; md. a dau. of Guernville. He was first to adopt the name which has descended to the Tyrrell family of England and Ireland and to the Tyrrells, Terrells, and Terrills of [the U S A]. He had his castle near the village of Tirel, on the banks of the river Seine a short distance below Paris. This village is now known as Triel, a transposition of two letters.

Now that you have a record of our origin we will stop for this issue and will continue in future issues. A special thanks to Rev. Dr. Robert E. H. Peeples of Hilton Head Island, SC who brought this information to editor's attention.

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## SETTLING PAINS

*The Colonial years.*

Terrell, Abigail; Miss; (10/06/1751--//1754+) born VA dau of Henry & Sarah Woodson T.; (*Ency. American Quaker Genealogy Vol VI p. 274*); Cedar Creek Monthly Meeting area, VA.

Terrell, Agatha; Miss; (09/28/1759--1773+) born VA; dau of Micajah & Sarah Lynch T.; listed in South River Monthly Meeting; (*Ency American Quaker Genealogy Vol VI p 341*); South River Monthly Meeting, VA.

Terrell, Agatha; Miss; (--1757+) 12/10/1757 Agatha Terrell openly declared she was not a Quaker in Cedar Creek Monthly Meeting; 03//1767 Agatha dau of David Terrell dismissed; (*Ency American Quaker Genealogy Vol VI p 275*); Cedar Creek Monthly Meeting, VA.

**WAGONS WEST**  
*Revolutionary War to WWI*

TERRELL, JOHN (oldest proven progenitor of our direct line) probably born in VA; we have yet to prove when, where and to whom. It is believed that he was born between 1760 and 1780; it is known that he married Marian ? either in VA, GA, or enroute between by the 1890's. All the following notes may not apply to our John, but they fit within the realm of possibility.

01/10/1791: Frances Burt of VA sold to John Terrell of Greene Co., GA 287-1/2 acres in Greene Co., GA on the waters of Fishing Creek bounded at the time of survey on the north by unknown and on all other sides by vacant lands. The land had been granted to Moody Burt, Sr 09/13/1784. The purchase price was 8,100 pounds of tobacco inspected at harvest. Signed Frances Burt, witnesses: Arch Beall, James Beall, D. Hinter J. P., recorded 03/06/1798. (*Greene Co., GA, deed book 2, 1793-1802, part 1, p.394-395*)

He appears in 1797 Greene Co. Tax Digest in Capt. R. Melton's district, but returned poll without property. If he is the John above, either he was unable to pay the purchase price or Frances Burt had paid the taxes during the interim.

In 1798, 1799, he returned 50 acres of land on the waters of Richland Creek adjoins Howell, granted Sisney?; in 1799, he included 1 negro in his return, but none for the other years.

02/20/1802: John McMichael of Greene Co., GA sold to John Terrell of Greene Co. 50 acres in said county on the waters of Richland Creek for \$62.00. Property bounded on the south and west by McMichael, on the north by Blake Hollomon, on the east by Kicker. Signed John McMichael; witnesses: Lemuel Gresham; Little Berry Gresham, J. P.; recorded 04/09/1811. (*Greene Co., GA, Deed bk DD, 1810/1818, p 106-107*)

1805 Land Lottery, John Terrell had 2 draws, but drew blanks.

1807 Land Lottery, John Terrell of Owsley Dist., Greene Co., GA. drew Land Lot 392, 21st. Dist., original Wilkinson Co. GA, granted 02/29/1808.

1808 John Terrell of Greene Co., GA sold to Longino Bartholemew of Laurens Co., GA. Land Lot 392, 21st. Dist. original Wilkinson Co., GA. for \$300.

Signed John Terrell; witnesses M.(Marian?) Terrell, M. Devereaux, J. P.; recorded 08/26/1810. (*Pulaski Co., GA Deed Book A 1807-1811, p. 190-191*) In 1809, John Terrell returned the above property in Capt John Turner's District and indicated that it adjoins Wingfield. [TO BE CONTINUED]

**JET AGE**  
*WWI until NOW*

TERRELL, ACIE (06/04/1904--) probably born Coosa or Chilton Co. AL; son of William J(jackson?) & Lenora Pressley T.; no further info.

TERRELL, ADRIAN PAUL (12/28/1941--) possibly born Coosa or Chilton Co. AL; son of Ermon & Velma Parsons T.; no further info.

TERRELL, ALMON PERRY (09/13/1909--) born Anderson Co. TX; son of Robert Perry & Florence Tippen T.; married Artie Snow; who died 07/07/1966; married second: Lassie Terrell; retired machinist; Reed Roller Bit Company; no children; address: 5811 Sherman, Houston, TX 77011; ph. 713-923-4265.

TERRELL, ALZY BEA (02/25/1885--10/10/1926) born Coosa Co. AL; daughter of James Ignatious & Rebecca Ann Pittman T.; reared on her father's 260 acre hillside farm; married James 'Jim' Mansen Wilson in Coosa Co., AL 08/31/1902; mother of 6; migrated to Grady Co., GA 1917 with husband and about 50 other Coosa families; moved on to Miami, FL c1923-25, returned to Grady Co. GA where she died in or near Whigham, at the birth of her twin daughters. She is buried in Long Branch Baptist Church Cemetery Cairo, Grady Co., GA; he remarried.

TERRELL, ANDREW DAVID Jr. (08/10/1874--11/16/1949) born GA, TX, or enroute between; son of Andrew David & Hester Ann Rogers T.; reared on his father's black land Texas farm; never married; probably buried Camel Cemetery, Navarro Co. TX.

TERRELL, ANN RANDOLPH (09/20/1958--) probably born N. C.; daughter of Clifton Randolph & Jo Ann Larew Shewey T.; daughter of Presbyterian Minister; no further info.

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Children, obey your parents in the Lord: for this is right. Honor thy father and mother; which is the first commandment with promise; that it may be well with thee, and thou mayest live long on the earth. *Ephesians 6:1-3.*

## Odd Birth Record in This Family



REMARKABLE is the birth record daughter. Then, left to right, are her  
representatives in the picture. Mrs. A. daughter-in-law, Mrs. G. A. Thomas,  
B Thomas, of Cairo, Ga., on the left, her out baby daughter of two months; her  
same mother and three times a grand- daughter, Mrs. F. R. Daniel, and Mrs.  
mother with a four month son; Mrs. Thom- Daniel's four month-old son, and her  
as it shows with her seven-month-old daughter-in-law, Mrs. B. K. Yelton,  
holding her baby out of three months.

### NEWSMAKERS

Reprints from other publications  
Share you with us please!

The above article probably appeared in the CAIRO MESSENGER Newspaper about February, 1941. All are descendents of Absalom Terrell (07/20/1813--09/?/1888) and his wife Margaret Vessells (03/08/1809--01/04/1866); James Ignatious 'Nace' Terrell (03/09/1848--01/21/1909) and his wife Rebecca Ann Pittman (09/22/1849--08/20/1925); and Eliza Viola Terrell (09/28/1874--03/27/1958) and her husband Thomas Wesley Wilson (11/07/1877--09/17/1934). Mrs. A. B. Thomas was Leatha Bea Wilson (04/01/1902--05/03/1980), third child & second daughter of Tom & Viola Wilson. She married Aaron Bartley Thomas (02/29/1896--03/04/1974) who later became a well known Baptist preacher in south Georgia. She is holding her eighth child, Scottie Merita Thomas, who later became Mrs. Scottie Dinkins and still lives in Cairo, GA. Other ladies in the photo are Elizabeth Smith Thomas, first wife of Gordon Thomas (01/22/1921--08/03/1952), who is holding Mary Leatha Thomas who later married Walter E. Burton and now lives near Whigham GA; Ella Rea Thomas who married Rev. Felton Ross Daniel who is holding their son Felton Gervis Daniel; and Myrtice Green Thomas, wife of Roy Kelsie Thomas (12/10/1918--04/18/1982), who is holding their son Roy Allen Thomas. Mary Leatha and 'Burt' are semi-retired; Rev. & Mrs. Daniel are retired and live in Vernon, Florida. Felton Daniel is in the USAF and lives near Pensacola, FL. Roy Allen Thomas is Clerk of Court for Laurens County [Dublin] Georgia.

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### QUERIES

Ancestor? Relative? Descendent?  
Your LOST CONNECTION column  
Limited to 2 per member per year  
Subject to space available  
Send us yours today!

NOTE: These queries are on behalf of the Terrell Society at large, not Dan Brinson personally.

Want proof that Richmond Terrell of Lancaster County SC either was or was not father of John Terrell who died in Henry Co., GA in 1828/29. Reply to Dan Brinson, Secretary, Terrell Society of America, P O Box 1354 Douglasville, GA 30133.

Seeking descendents of Nancy Terrell Heath, widow of Richard Heath who lived in Pike Co., GA as late as 1850. Reply to Dan Brinson, Secretary, Terrell Society of America, P O Box 1354, Douglasville, GA 30133.

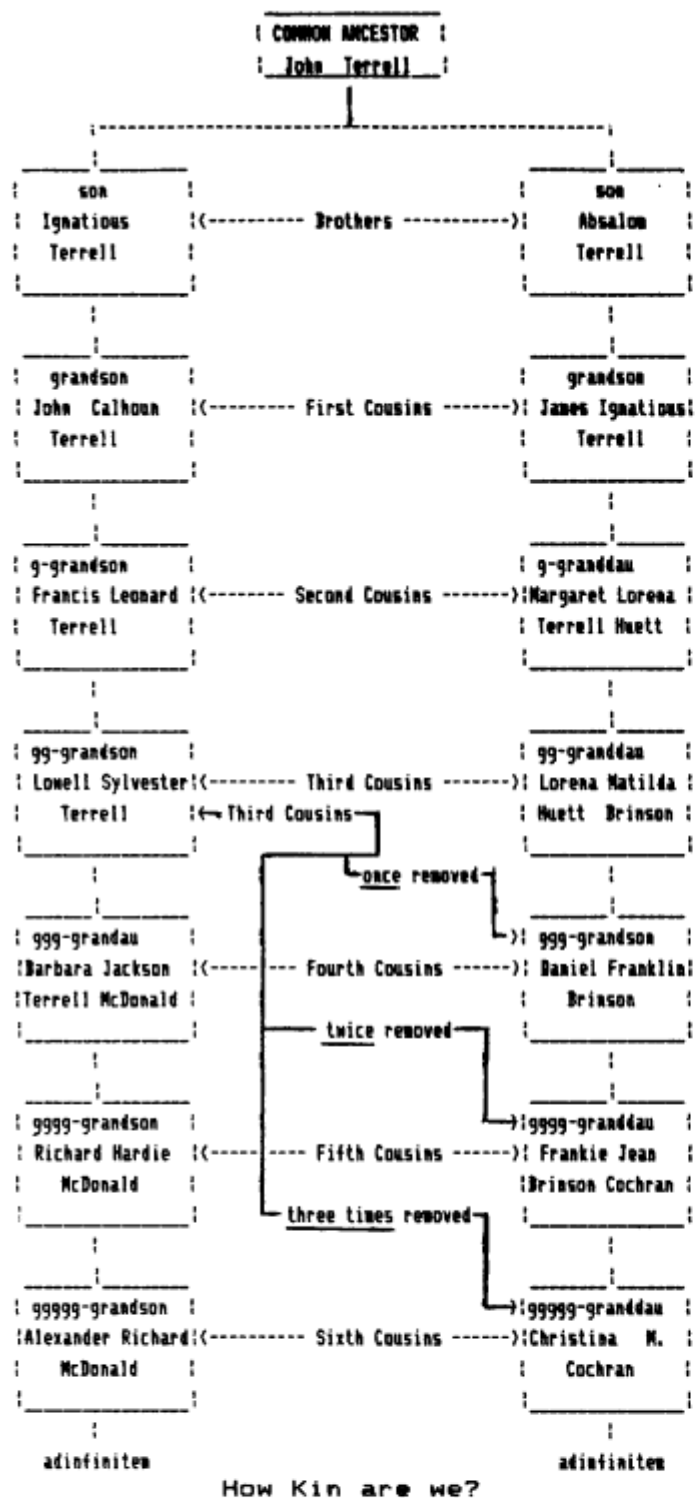
Seeking descendents of Polly Terrell who married Unknown Heath before 1829, may have lived in Greene Co. Ga. Area. Reply to Dan Brinson, Secretary, Terrell Society of America, P O Box 1354, Douglasville, GA 30133.

Seeking descendents of Rebecca Terrell who married Unknown Turner before 1828, possibly in Jasper/Henry Co. GA area. Reply to Dan Brinson, Secretary, Terrell Society of America, P O Box 1354, Douglasville, GA 30133.

Seeking descendents of Margaret Terrell who married (Moses?) Mulkey in Henry Co., GA area by 1828 & lived in Pike Co. GA in 1850. Reply to Dan Brinson, Secretary, Terrell Society of America, P O Box 1354, Douglasville, GA 30133.

Seeking descendents of Frances Marion Terrell who married Margaret A. McGehee Pike Co. GA 12/19/1852. Reply to Dan Brinson, Secretary, Terrell Society of America, P O Box 1354, Douglasville, GA 30133

Seeking descendents of Amanda Terrell who married Richard Washington Williams, Pike Co. GA. Reply to Dan Brinson, Secretary, Terrell Society of America, P O Box 1354, Douglasville, GA 30133



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Kinship has long been a fascinating and sometimes frustrating subject. Persons frequently know that they are related, but do not know just how.

The old traditions, religious taboos, and even laws which forbid marriages of third-cousin or closer have caused many to stop considering one as kin beyond that point. However, kinship can be

carried on to as many degrees as there are generations from a known common ancestor.

I frequently encounter persons who are confused by the 'handles' attached to cousins such as 'once removed,' 'twice removed,' 'three times [or more] removed,' etc.

I hope the following will help to clear up some of this confusion.

Kinship begins with a COMMON ANCESTOR, then descends through successive generations until both relatives are equal or until one is reached, then the 'times removed' count begins until the other is reached.

The descendents of John Terrell(1) are used in the adjacent example.

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### SETTLING PAINS *The Colonial years.*

Terrell, Barbara TERRILL; Miss; (--1758+) dau of John & ? ? T.; 11/18/1758 orphan bound to John Poage; (Augusta Parish Vestry Book p 217); Augusta County (1758), VA.

Terrell, Benjamin; Mr; (11/07/1750--1772+) born Caroline County VA; son of David & Sarah Johnson T.; eldest son; 04/12/1772 granted certificate to South River MM Bedford Co. from Cedar Creek Monthly Meeting of Friends; 05/16/1772 presented certificate at South River MM VA; 05/08/1774 dismissed from South River Monthly Meeting; (*Ency American Quaker Genealogy Vol VI p 274/6*); Caroline Co., VA.

Terrell, Betty BETY; Miss; (09/07/1738--1740+) dau of Henry & Anne T.; name spelled CETY when marriage reported (p. 275); md. Zacheriah Moorman 01/12/1755 Caroline County, VA (*Ency. American Quaker Genealogy Vol VI p 273/4*); Cedar Creek Monthly Meeting, VA.

Terrell, Betty; Miss; dau of Simon & Sarah Thompson T.; md. ? ? Martin.

Terrell, Buffon D.; Mr; (--1830+) md. Martha McFaddin 10/12/1830 Rutherford County NC *Book 1, Page 301* bondsman John Baber; witness T.F. Burchett D.C.; (1830) Rutherford County, N. C.