Nabours Family by W. A. Nabours

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There were three brothers by the name of Nabours that came from England to Virginia, when it was a colony, before the was of the revolution. They remained in Virginia during the war. After the war they located in South Carolina and there they began their families and in 1810 Jeremiah Nabours (the principal of these memoirs) was born. And remained there until 1820 when he with his father moved to Tuscaloosa County Alabama. And there the subject grew up from 10 years of age to man hood without any chance of education except a very poor country school with only a week of actual attendance altogether during his life. There was quite a large family of the parentage and from this home each one chose a different location and it is the purpose of this sketch to follow only the life of the subject of this writing, who when he left this home went to Pickens County, Alabama and there worked by the day or month as best he could at any kind of labor he could get. Here he married Miss Mary Stewart of whom we will have more to say later. The subject of sketch went to the republic of Texas in 1837 on a prospecting tour looking for a place to build a permanent home. Late in the fall of 1837 he returned to Alabama deciding not to move his family to Texas. Late in the fall of 1838 he moved to Itawamba County, Mississippi. There on Jan 30, 1839 the writer was born. There the family lived until the fall of 1849 at which time the family moved to Washington County, Texas and rented land for two years, then bought a small farm and lived on it two years. Sold it and moved to Bell County, Texas. Lived there one year moved to Milam County, Texas in the fall of 1854 and lived there until his death in 1876. His life was always honorable and upright one being for many years a minister of the Gospel in the Methodist Episcopal Church South, was never in the iterrant book but did local work always preaching to isolated and destitute communities. The other side of the house the Stewarts as before stated and first known in America as the Stewarts of Virginia and Mary Stewart who became the wife of Jeremiah Nabours was born in Virginia but her father moved to Kentucky and there to Alabama where she and the main subject of this paper were married and both were as one, from their marriage until death separated them. She surviving him for several years. These Stewarts claimed to be direct descendants of the Mary Stewart Queen of Scotland. But we have no proof of this, but we do claim to have made a record for the truth and honesty extending back to 1776 for both the Nabours and Stewarts.

Robert Alexander Nabours was the son of Jeremiah Nabours and Mary Stewart. He married to Rebecca Poteet and to them were born the following family. Pearl Nabours (Mrs. John House), Ethel Nabours (Mrs. Herbert Massengale), Parolee Nabours (Mrs. Charlie Davis), Willard H. Nabours, and Robert H. Nabours, and Clyde Nabours deceased. Back to Biographies page

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