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**Benjamin Thomas Stephenson (1788-1873) and Edith Jenkins (1798- )**  
**Son of Abraham Stephenson**

for until killed at Spotsylvania Court House, Virginia, May 10, 1864

**2. Patience Stephenson (1813-1877 ) and Henry Everitt (1792-bef 1869)**  
**And William H. Newsome ( - )**

**Children:** Henry T. Everett (1849-bef 1877 )

**Census:**

**1850:** Dwelling 58-- Henry Everett 58, farmer, Va, **Patience Everett 37, NC**, Henry T. Everett 5 mos., Emily Stephenson 28, NC, Lavinia F. Fly 8, NC.

**Marriage:** Henry Everette to Patience Stephenson, 8 Jan 1847, Bond-Willie Odom, (w) Jhn B Odom CCC.  
(Index) William H. Newsom to Patience Everette on February 24, 1869.

**Will:**

C. R. 071.801.32- Patience Newsom, dated Mar 29, 1877, probated Aug 30, 1877. Names niece Lavinia Ann Millinia Susan Davis to receive entire tract of land of 43 acres where I now live and various personal items, niece Sarah Stephenson one years support and various person items, nephew William Benjamin Ricks (Ben J. Ricks)one small trunk , and sisters Edith, Emily, and Mary Ann Stephenson a sow and various personal items. Note: No children named. Assume son Henry Everette is dead by 1877.

**3. Jenkins Stephenson (1815- ) and Lucy Tabitha Britton (1817- )**

**Children:** Sarah Stephenson (1841- ), Henry Stephenson (1843- ), Nathan Stephenson (1845- ), Samuel Stephenson (1848- ), Benjamin Stephenson ( ), Eliza A. Stephenson ( )

**Census:**

**1850-** Dwelling 630--Jenkins Stephenson 35, farmer, \$125 Real, Tabitha Stephenson 33, Sara Stephenson 9, Henry Stephenson 7, Nathan Stephenson 5, Samuel Stephenson 2.

**Marriage:** Jinkins Stevens to Tabitha Britton, 1 April 1839, Bond- Abraham Stevens

**Real Estate:**

Deed book 36, page 486 in 1857, where the Sheriff sold the lands of Jenkins (two tracts totaling about 220 acres) to satisfy debts owed to Uriah Vaughan, James H. Lassiter, Benjamin Spies (?) and Benoni Parks. The last three were the purchasers of the land. One tract adjoining Elizabeth Garris and the other on Kirby Creek.

Book 35, page 170, June Court 1853- Division of the estate of Nathan Britton- 209 acres adjoining the lands of David Stephenson, William K. Howell and others. To Lucendia wife of Henry A. Wade, Tabithia wife of Jenkins Stephenson, Sarah wife of Edwin Bryan, Jane (?) wife of Lewis Bryan, John W. Britton, Nathan J. Britton, Henry T. Britton. Tabithia's lot was 31 1/2 acres.

**Other:** Jean Stephenson Stinson-( Descendant of Samuel Charles Stephenson)-E-mail 1/30/00- " I am descended through Benjamin's son, Jenkinson Stephenson, He was born 1815 died before 1873 supposedly from a spider bite. He was married to Lucy Tabitha Britton on April 1, 1839 "

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**3 a. Sarah J. Stephenson (1841- )**

**Census:** Northampton County

**1850-** Dwelling 630--Jenkins Stephenson 35, farmer, \$125 Real, Tabitha Stephenson 33, **Sara Stephenson 9**, Henry Stephenson 7, Nathan Stephenson 5, Samuel Stephenson 2.

**1880** Kirby Township- page 35, Dwelling 348- Mary Stephenson 40 Farmer, Emma Stephenson 44, sister, Edith Stephenson 42, sister, **Sarah Stephenson 35** relationship not given, Benjamin W. Ricks 13, relationship not given, Joseph Davis 27, Laborer, Relationship not given,

**1900:** Thomas B. Stephenson, 72, May 1828, Farmer; Nancy J. Stephenson 79, Feb 1821, married 45 yrs, 4 Children/1 living; James H. Stephenson 39, son, Nov. 1860, farm manager; Susan A. C. Stephenson, daughter in law, 34, Jan 1865, married 16 yrs/ 1 child/1 living; Gilbert T. Stephenson 15, Grandson, Dec 1884, **Sarah J. Stephenson, niece, 50, Aug. 1849. Note. Thomas had only one brother, Jenkins.. In spite of the differences in ages on the census reports, It is believed that Sarah is the daughter of Jenkins Stephenson.**

**Death:** Unable to locate any death information on Sarah.

**3 b. Henry Stephenson (1843-Bef 1873)**

**Other**

:Note # 1- Northampton County- Deed Book 46, Pg 380- Recorded May 1876. Division of Property of Benjamin Stephenson, Deceased- Benjamin Stephenson, Samuel Stephenson, Sarah Stephenson, and Elizabeth Stephenson Garris were named to receive a distribution of lot of 11 acres. Henry Stephenson not being named tends to confirm his death prior to the division. Also not named in will of Benjamin Stephenson, dated July 1873.

**3 c. Nathan Stephenson (1845-Feb 8, 1871)**

**Census:**

**1850-** Dwelling 630--Jenkins Stephenson 35, farmer, \$125 Real, Tabitha Stephenson 33, Sara Stephenson 9, Henry Stephenson 7, **Nathan Stephenson 5**, Samuel Stephenson 2.

**1870-**Woodruff County, Arkansas- Augustus Twp. Sheet 453- Dwelling 358- Benjamin Stevenson 25, farm laborer, NC, **Nathan Stevenson 23**, farm laborer, NC, Samuel Stevenson 19, farm laborer NC, Thomas Stevenson 18, Farm laborer, NC.

**Estate:** Woodruff County, Arkansas- Estate Book Page 333, Estate of Nathaniel Stevenson, dec. Probate court Sept. 18, 1874. "Now this day the final settlement of W. O. Berry Adm. Of Estate of Nathaniel Stevenson, dec. Filed January 26, 1874 was examined and found correct..."

**Other:**

N. C. Troops, Vol. II, page 345- Light Artillery- Co. A. 3<sup>rd</sup> Battalion - Nathaniel J. Stephenson, private- Born in Northampton County where he resided as a farmer and enlisted at age 18, March 3, 1862 for the war. Present and accounted for through December 1864. Paroled at Greensboro April 27, 1865.

**Note # 1-** Jean Stephenson Stinson-( Descendant of Samuel Charles Stephenson)-E-mail 1/30/00, " Samuel, Benjamin and Nathan Stephenson left Northampton sometimes after the Civil War to start a life in Woodruff County, Arkansas.....Nathan Stephenson, Born- Unknown, died 2-8-1871 in Woodruff County, Arkansas. To my knowledge, he never married)

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Note # 2- Northampton County- Deed Book 46, Pg 380- Dated . Division of Property of Benjamin Stephenson, Deceased- Benjamin Stephenson, Samuel Stephenson, Sarah Stephenson, and Elizabeth Stephenson Garris were named to receive a distribution of lot of 11 acres. Nathan Stephenson not being named tends to confirm his death prior to the division.

Note #3- Probably named for his maternal grandfather Nathan Britton.

#### **3 d. Samuel Charles Stephenson (1848-1898) and Margaret Lucinda Carricker Garrett ( )**

**Children:** Anne Tabitha Stephenson ( ), Edgar E. Stephenson (1876- )Edna Stephenson (1876-1956), Samuel Walter Stephenson (1878-1941), Victor W. Stephenson (1880-1941)

#### **Census:**

1850- Northampton County- Dwelling 630--Jenkins Stephenson 35, farmer, \$125 Real, Tabitha Stephenson 33, Sara Stephenson 9, Henry Stephenson 7, Nathan Stephenson 5, **Samuel Stephenson 2.**

1870-Woodruff County, Arkansas- Augustus Twp. Sheet 453- Dwelling 358- Benjamin Stevenson 25, farm laborer, NC, Nathan Stevenson 23, farm laborer, NC, **Samuel Stevenson 19**, farm laborer NC, Thomas Stevenson 18, Farm laborer, NC.

1870-Woodruff County, Arkansas- Augustus Twp. Sheet 453- Dwelling 357- **Margaret Garrett 27**, Keeping House, Mary D. Garrett 10, James M. Garrett 3, Charles L. Garrett 1.

1880- Woodruff County Arkansas- **Samuel Stephenson 29**, farmer, NC, Margaret Stephenson 37, Wife, Tenn, Mary M. Garrett 18, James M. Garrett 13, Charles H. Garrett 11, Tobisha H. Stephenson 9, Edgar E. Stephenson 4, Samuel W. Stephenson 2. Unnamed 3 mos.

**Marriage:** Woodruff County, Arkansas- Register Book , Page 25- Samuel Stevenson 18, to Mrs. Margaret Garrett 27 at home of Laura Revel. By R. F. Holdford. on 19 June 1870.

**Will:** Woodruff County, Arkansas- Will Book 9, page 238- Dated June 28, 1888, Probated 10 November 10, 1902- Witness Attested on 2<sup>nd</sup> day of November 1902- (Abstract)- Maggie Stephenson bequeaths Garrett place in Woodruff County to children, J. L. Garrett and Maggie Short and if they both die and have no children, then to Anna, Edna, Walter, and Victor, children of S. C. Stephenson and Maggie Stephenson. Signed Margaret L. Stephenson.

**Note:** Jean Stephenson Stinson-( Descendant of Samuel Charles Stephenson)-E-mail 1/30/00, " Samuel, Benjamin and Nathan Stephenson left Northampton sometimes after the Civil War to start a life in Woodruff County, Arkansas....Samuel Charles Stephenson(my great grandfather) born 2-4-1844 d. 3-14-1898 and married Margaret Lucinda Carricker Garrett (Samuel was a 2<sup>nd</sup> marriage for her). They were married June 19, 1870 in Woodruff County, Arkansas. .... Samuel and Margaret had the following children: Tobisha H. Stephenson b. 1871. I don't think she lived past childhood; Annie Stephenson b. 1872 died unknown. She married William Penn Yarborough on 10-18-1893; Edgar Stephenson b 1876. I don't think he lived past childhood; Edna Stephenson b. 6-16-1876 d. 1-8-1956. She was first married to Dr. Henry Price Hargis 4-12-1896 and later to Ed Weisner.; Samuel Walter Stephenson (who went to Texas to live) b. 1878 d. 1-6-1941. He married Anne Elizabeth 11-15-1905; Victor Wiggins Stephenson (my grandfather) b. 3-18-1880 d. 1-6-1941. He married Mamie Pollard 11-10-1904. He was injured in a logging accident and went to Texas where his brother Samuel Walter was. They lived in Dickens County, Texas until 1939 and moved to Fort Worth, Texas.....Victor Wiggins and Mamie(my grandparents) had the following children: Mildred Stephenson b. 10-12-1906 d. 10-17-1906; Samuel Charles Stephenson b. 7-30-1908 d. unknown. He married Zelma Belle Isbell 4-6-1930; Helen Erta Stephenson b. 10-13-1911 d. 10-7-1994.

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She married Lewis Clinton Harvey 1-14-1928; Annie Tabitha Stephenson b. 9-3-1914 d. 11-11-1993. She married Carney Burton Roberts date unknown; Gilbert Thomas Stephenson (my father) b. 12-19-1916 d. 8-7-1977. He married Geraldine Loretta Hatchwell 1938.; Howard Lee Stephenson b. 6-17-1919 d. unknown Married several times. Dates unknown: Robert Louis Stephenson b 2-26-1923 d. 3-20-1998. He was married several times. Dates unknown. One son and one daughter still living (*Names were not given*). ..... My name is Loretta Jean Stephenson and I have one living sister."

**3 e. Benjamin Stephenson (1845 -Aft 1900)**

**Census:**

1870-Woodruff County, Arkansas- Augustus Twp. Sheet 453- Dwelling 358- Benjamin Stevenson 25, farm laborer, NC, Nathan Stevenson 23, farm laborer, NC, Samuel Stevenson 19, farm laborer NC, Thomas Stevenson 18, Farm laborer, NC.

**Other:**

N. C. Troops, Vol. V, page 246- Infantry, Company O, 12<sup>th</sup> Regiment- Benjamin T. Stephenson, Private- Resided in Northampton County where he enlisted at age 18, August 5, 1861. Present and accounted for until transferred to Company D, 32th Regiment, N. C. Troops in October 1861.

Note # 1- Jean Stephenson Stinson-( Descendant of Samuel Charles Stephenson)-E-mail 1/30/00. " Samuel, Benjamin and Nathan Stephenson left Northampton sometimes after the Civil War to start a life in Woodruff County, Arkansas.....Benjamin Stephenson, Born- after 1848, died after 1899 in Woodruff County, Arkansas. To my knowledge, he never married) "

**3 f. Eliza Ann Stephenson (1855- aft 1900) and James H. Garris (1849-aft 1900)**

**Children:** Joseph Garris (1876- ), Tabithia Garris (1880- ), Sallie L. Garris (1884- ), Samuel L. Garris (1890- ), Eliza A. Garris (1894- )

**Census:**

!850 Census-Dwelling 1036, John W. Garris 30 Laborer NC; Emma Garris 24; Andrew Garris 11; Elizabeth Garris 7; Margaret Garris 3: **James H. Garris 1.**

1900: 48/79/6/57- Wiccannee Township- James H. Garris 51, Jan 1849; **Eliza A. Garris 45, Mar 1855;** Tabithia Garris 19, Nov. 1880; Sallie L. Garris 16, May 1884; Samuel L. Garris 9, Nov 1890; Eliza A. Garris 5, Sept. 1894; Joseph Garris 23, Nov 1876

**Marriage:**

(Index) James H. Garris, 23, to Eliza Stephenson, 22, on Nov. 31, 1872

Note # 1- Jean Stephenson Stinson-( Descendant of Samuel Charles Stephenson)-E-mail 1/30/00,-- "Eliza A, Stephenson b. after 1848 d. after 1875. She married Jason Garris bet. 1873 and 1875."

**4. Thomas Boone Stephenson ( May 1827- Mar. 25, 1916) and Nancy J. Woodard (Feb 1821-1911)**

**Children:** James Henry Stephenson (1860- ) *Note 1900 Census indicates that there were four children but only one living in 1900.*

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**1850:** Thomas not identified- not in household of Benjamin Stephenson.

**1850:** Page 6, Dwelling 38, Mary Woodard 55 F W 349 NC, Nancy Woodard 28 F W 225 NC, Matthias Woodard 10 M W NC, John Woodard 15 M W NC.

**1870:** Page 353, Dwelling 65, Thomas Stephenson 49, Farmer, Real \$800, Personal \$400, Nancy 49, James H. 10, William Mann 33, Penny Danielson 50.

**1900:** Thomas B. Stephenson, 72, May 1828, Farmer; Nancy J. Stephenson 79, Feb 1821, married 45 yrs, 4 Children/1 living; James H. Stephenson 39, son, Nov. 1860, farm manager; Susan A. C. Stephenson, daughter in law, 34, Jan 1865, married 16 yrs/ 1 child/1 living; Gilbert T. Stephenson 15, Grandson, Dec 1884, Sarah J. Stephenson, niece, 50, Aug. 1849.

**Marriage:** Thomas B. Stephenson to Nancy J. Woodard, 18 Dec 1856, wit- John E. Stephenson Married 18 Dec 1856 by J. H. Deberry, J.P.

**Will:**

Not located;- No evidence of probate- Probably intestate.

**Death Certificate:** North Carolina Archives ,Death Certificate Book 160, Pg 022. Thomas Boon Stephenson , on March 25, 1916; Place- Northampton County, Kirby Township, Pendleton; Widower; date of birth not entered, age 89, male, white; born Northampton County; Father- Benjm. Stephenson, Place unknown- Mother Edith Jenkins, Northampton County, Doctor certificate not entered with notation "No MD", Burial- at Home, March 17, 1916, Undertaker- Watson Bros. Severn. Informant- J. H. Stephenson, Pendleton *Note: The graves of Thomas Boone Stephenson and Nancy Woodard Stephenson are located in Roberts Chapel Church cemetery.*

**4 a. James Henry Stephenson (1860-1941 ) and Susan Fleetwood (1863-1954)**

**Children:** Gilbert Thomas Stephenson (1885-1972)

**Marriage:** Index- Dec 20, 1883 J. H. Stephenson, 21 to Susan E. Fleetwood, 19

**Death Index:** Northampton County-

James Henry Stephenson on 4 April 1941

Susan Fleetwood Stephenson on 29, March 1954

(Buried in Roberts Chapel Church cemetery, Pendleton)

**Will:** Northampton County

State Archives- Original - J. Henry Stephenson, dated Nov. 3, 1938- (Abstract)" I direct that my estate shall be divided in the same way as it would be divided if I did not make a will. My purpose in making this will is not to affect the distribution of my estate, but to relieve my wife and my son or the survivor of them of the necessity of giving bond and of having to wind up my estate within a short time, and thereby to make it possible for them to carry on my business in the proper way..... " names wife and son or the survivor of them as my executor. Signed J. Henry Stephenson. Witness Mary Smith and B. W. Fisher.

**4 a 1. Gilbert Thomas Stephenson (1884-1972) and Grace White (1886-1981)**

**Children:** James Henry Stephenson ( - 1947), Thomas W. Stephenson ( 1915- ),

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**4 a 1 (a) James Henry Stephenson ( - 1947)**

**Death Index:** James Henry Stephenson on July 21, 1947- Parent Gilbert T. Stephenson.

**4 a 1 (b) Thomas W. Stephenson (1915- Living in 2000),**

**Other:** Thomas W. "Steve" Stephenson letter dated August 2, 2000,".....I'm due to turn 85 on August 8...."

**5. Emiline Stephenson (1822-1899)**

**Marriage:** Did not Marry

**Census:**

**1850:** Dwelling 58-- Henry Everett 58, farmer, Va, Patience Everett 37, NC, Henry T. Everett 5 mos., **Emily Stephenson 28**, NC, Lavinia F. Fly 8, NC.

**Will:** (Bk 7/pg 428), Dated 11 February 1895, Probated 15 May 1899. , Nearly identical to will of Mary A. Stephenson and Edith Stephenson. Bequeaths to Sisters, Mary Stephenson and Edith Stephenson for life and at their death to nephew Benjamin J. Ricks all of my real estate in Kirby Township divided into two tracts adjoining lands of H. S. Britton, deceased and others, all of my household and kitchen furniture, all of my interest in stock. Signed Emiline (x) Stephenson Wit: B. F. Martin, R. E. Draper.

**6. Henry Stephenson (1828-1852)**

**Census:**

**1850:** Dwelling 886: Benjamin Stephenson 62 Farmer \$2208 Real NC, Edith 52 NC, **Henry 22**, Edith 22, Mary 21, Susan 20, John 17, Henry Flythe 8, John Flythe 6.

**Other:**Note 1, Notes of Gilbert Stephenson, not dated- "Ben. 4<sup>th</sup> son of Abraham. Lived in the field where B. J. Ricks lives. Farmer. 20 slaves. Good Education. Children were **Henry (did not marry, Died at home and buried there 24 years old)**, Patia (married Henry Everett--only child named Thomas, died at 18), Jenkins (married Tabitha Britton. Children Sallie, Tump, Ben, Nathan, Eliza Ann, Sam), Sallie married Dred Flythe) Children Henry"

*Note: Henry may have been twin to Edith.*

**7. Edith Stephenson (1828-1904)**

**Marriage:** Did not marry

**Census:**

**1880** Kirby Township- page 35, Dwelling 348- Mary Stephenson 40 Farmer, Emma Stephenson 44, sister, **Edith Stephenson 42**, sister, Sarah Stephenson 35 relationship not given, Benjamin W. Ricks 13, relationship not given, Joseph Davis 27, Laborer, Relationship not given,  
**1900** Kirby Township 71/2/5- B. J. Ricks 42, Feb. 1867; Mary E. Ricks, wife 25, Jan 1875, married 4 yrs., 3 children, 3 living; Loyd Ricks, son, 3, Dec. 1896; Vera Sue Ricks, Dau., 1, Jul 1898; No name, son, 3 mo. Feb 1900; Mary A

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Stephenson, aunt, 70, 1820; **Edith Stephenson, aunt, 65, 1835(?)**.

**Will:** Bk 8/pg 89, Dated 11 February 1895, Probated 4 April 1904. , Nearly identical to will of Mary A. Stephenson and Emiline Stephenson. Bequeaths to Sisters, Mary Stephenson and Emiline Stephenson for life and at their death to nephew Benjamin J. Ricks all of my real estate in Kirby Township adjoining lands of Mack Stephenson and others, all of my household and kitchen furniture, all of my interest in stock. Signed Edith (x) Stephenson  
Wit: B. F. Martin, R. E. Draper.

**8. Mary Ann Stephenson (1830-1904)**

**Marriage:** Did Not Marry-

**Census:**

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**Will:** Bk 8/pg 582- Dated March 7, 1882, Probate August 1904, State of North Carolina, Northampton County, I Mary A. Stephenson of the County and State afore said being of sound mind and memory , but considering the uncertainty of my earthly existence do make and declare this my last will and testament in manner and form following that is to say; That my two Sisters hereinafter named shall provide for my body a decent burial suitable to the wishes of my relatives and friends and pay all funeral expenses together with my just debts- --?- and to whomsoever owning out of the moneys that may first come into their hands as a as a part in parcel of my estate. Item. I loaned to my two Sisters Edith Stephenson and Emiline Stephenson one tract of land whereupon I now live so as to include my mansion house all out houses and other improvements to have and hold during the term of their natural life And one other tract containing thirteen acres and joining the land of Mrs. Mitt Davis and Miss Sarah Stephenson. And at their death to my nephew (*William struck through*) Benjamin J. Ricks and to his heirs. And in the case he should die without a lawful heir then the said land is to go back to the Stephenson family of my nearest blood kin. Item 2 I loaned to my two siasters during the term of their natural life all of my household and kitchen furniture and at their death to my nephew William B. Ricks and to his lawful heirs and if he should die without a lawful heir then the said furniture is to go back to the Stephenson Family. Item 3 I loaned to my two sisters Edith Stephenson and Emeline Stephenson all of stock of every kind during theit natural life and at their death to my nephew (*William struck through*) Benjamin J. Ricks and to his lawful heirs and if he dies without a lawful heir then it is to go back to the Stephenson family. In Witness whereof I Mary A. Stephenson do hereunto set my hand and seal this seventh day of March A. D. 1882. Signed Mary (x) Stephenson Wit. J. N. Deberry, J. E. Davis.

**9. Elizabeth Susan Stephenson (1830-bef 1873) and Cullen Thomas "Tom" Ricks (1831-bef 1870)**

**Children:** Benjamin J. Ricks (1868- June 19, 1956)

**Marriage bond:** Northampton County-

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Cullen T. Rix to Sarah Atkinson on December 21, 1858

C. T. Ricks to Elizabeth S. Stephenson on February, 14, 1866, Bond by Henry H. Vick, Wit. N. R. Odom, C. C. C.

**Census: Need to check census for 1850, 1860 and 1870 for C. T. Ricks, Tom Ricks, C. Tom Ricks or Cullen T. Ricks or Rix. Ages? Could Elizabeth be the second wife of Tom?**

1850: Page 8, Dwelling 117, Mildred Watson 79, Edwin Ricks 33, Elizabeth Ricks 35, Edwin Ricks 8, William Ricks 3  
George Ricks 2, Parthenia Ricks 1, **Thomas Ricks 20.**

1850: Page 27, John A. Atkinson 54, born Va. Elizabeth Atkinson 52, **Sarah L. Atkinson 15**, Eliza A. Atkinson 13,  
Caroline L. Atkinson 8, Henrietta Atkinson 7, Sarah Hutchings 33.

**Other:** N. C. Troops 1861-18, Volume IX, Infantry, Page 44, Company D, 32<sup>nd</sup> Regiment, RICKS, CULLEN T.,  
Private- Resided in Northampton County where he enlisted at age 30 on or about October 1, 1861. Present and  
accounted for until wounded in the left leg and captured at Gettysburg, Pennsylvania, July 1-5, 1863. Hospitalized  
at Gettysburg. Transferred to Davids Island, New York Harbor on or about July 23, 1863. Paroled at Davids Island  
and transferred to City Point, Virginia, where he was received on September 8, 1863, for exchange. Reported Absent  
wounded or absent sick through February, 1863.

**9 a. Benjamin J. Ricks ( Feb. 2, 1867-Jun 19, 1956) and Mary E. Beal (Jan. 6, 1875-Jun 14, 1942)**

**Children:** Lloyd Riddick Ricks (Dec 17, 1896- Aug. 30, 1970), Vera Sue Ricks (Jul 1898-1906), Royce Maynard  
Ricks (Feb 13, 1900-Jan 15, 1948), Joe Tom Ricks (Dec 26, 1902-Mar 25, 1980), Benjamin Franklin Ricks (September  
5, 1905- May 5, 1964), Gilbert S. Ricks (Aug 1, 1907- Aug 22, 1938), Garland L. Ricks (Jan 18, 1910- Sept 18, 1979),  
Carlton William Ricks (Dec. 29, 1913-Mar. 30, 1988 )

**Census:**

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children, 3 living; Loyd Ricks, son, 3, Dec. 1896; Vera Sue Ricks, Dau., 1, Jul 1898; No name, son, 3 mo. Feb 1900;  
Mary A Stephenson, aunt, 70, 1820; Edith Stephenson, aunt, 65, 1825.

**Marriage License:** Northampton County - November 11, 1895: J. L. Vincent applied for a license of marriage of  
Benjamin J. Ricks of Northampton County, age 27 years, of Northampton County, color white, the son of, not  
known, and mother, not known, the father dead and the mother dead and Mary E. Beal of Northampton County,  
age 21 years, color white, daughter of Joseph R. Beal and Lomay (?) Beal, the father living, the mother living  
resident of Northampton. County. *Marriage information not copied* Wit: D. A. Stephenson, C. D. Stephenson,  
K. R. Maddrey.

**Real Estate Transaction:**

D. B. 105, Pg 382- Deed- Dated April 24, 1899- Emeline Stephenson and B. J. Ricks to Hilry Davis for \$5.00 3/4  
Acres adjoining the lands of H. A. Davis and the lands of Emeline Stephenson and B. J. Ricks bounded on the  
north and southwest by the lands of H. A. Davis and on the south and the southeast by the lands of Emeline  
Stephenson and B. J. Ricks the same being the lands willed by Emeline Stephenson to B. J. Ricks . Aged that  
the breakneck shall be the boundary hereafter. Signed Emeline (x) Stephenson. *Note Emeline will was probated  
on May 15, 1899.*



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**Death:** Buried in Roberts Chapel Church Cemetery

**Other:** Unable to determine why his name changed from William B. Ricks as listed in Benjamin Thomas Stephenson's will to Benjamin J. Ricks as he became to be known.

Nina Mae Ricks Interview 9/25/2000- She lived with Mr. and Mrs Ricks for about a year after she married Lloyd . She recalled that all the boys were mighty nice to her. She mentioned that Mr. Ricks was among the first in the community to have a telephone (the old hand crank style). Mrs. Rick was always the first to answer the phone when it rang. Their phone would ring whenever any other party received a call. The phone became a way that she could keep with all the news in the neighborhood.

**9 a 1. Lloyd Riddick Ricks (Dec 17, 1896- August 30, 1970) and Nina Mae Woodard (Mar 10, 1901-Living)**

**Children:** Elliot Lee Ricks (Mar 15, 1922), Braxton Craig Ricks (Jan. I, 1924), Lawrence Woodard Ricks (Nov. 2, 1928-Sept. 10, 1998), Foy Marie Ricks (Aug. 7, 1930)

**Marriage:** September 19, 1920

**9 a 2. Vera Sue Ricks (Jul 1898-1906)**

**Other:** Buried at Roberts Chapel Church Cemetery. Interview with Nina Mae Ricks 9/25/2000- Died from diphtheria.

**9 a 3. Royce Maynard "Big Boy" Ricks (Feb 13, 1900-Jan 15, 1948)**

**Children:** Royce Stafford Ricks ( )

**9 a 4. Joe Tom Ricks (Dec 26, 1902-Mar 25, 1980) and Mattie**

**Children:** None

**9 a 5. Benjamin Franklin Ricks (Sept 5, 1905- May 5, 1964)**

**Children:** None

**9 a 6. Gilbert S. Ricks (Aug 1, 1907- Aug 22, 1938)**

**Children:** None

Note: Gilbert is buried in Roberts Chapel Church Cemetery.

**9 a 7. Garland L. Ricks (Jan 18, 1910- Sept 18, 1979) and**

**Children:** Steve Ricks( ), Billy Ricks ( ), Mary Ann Ricks ( )

**9 a 8. Carlton William Ricks (Dec. 29, 1913-Mar. 30, 1988) and Margie F. (Jun 20, 1915-Nov 23, 1978)**

**Children:** Carlton Williams Ricks, Jr. ( )

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**10. John Stephenson (1833-Bef 1873)**

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**Other**

NC Troops, Vol II, page 653, Misc. 15<sup>th</sup> Battalion N. C. Cavalry- John A. Stephenson, Private- Enlisted in Northampton County September 5, 1863 for the war. Present and accounted for through October 1864. *Note: Insufficient information to conclude this for John, son of Benjamin. John would have been 30 in 1863 and eligible to join. No other unidentified John Stephenson in N. C. Troops.*

*Note: John not mentioned in Benjamin's will, dated in 1873, so therefore it is assumed that he must have died prior to that year.*