

A HISTORY OF THE SCOTT FAMILY OF MORGAN COUNTY, TENNESSEE

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The Author's Family

Parents: Mary Elizabeth Llewellyn (1872-1905) and William Morgan Russell (1868-1942)

Grandparents: Rhoda Ann Scott (1845-1928) and John Elisha Llewellyn (1836-1910)

Great Grandparents: Russell Scott (1808-1896) and Mary (Nancy) Webb (1811-1854)

Spouses: (1st) - Leonidas Campbell Houck Scott (1880-1928) on 28 Feb 1909.
(2nd) – Bruno Schubert (1869-1940) on 26 Feb 1918.

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PART I

EARLY HISTORY OF THE SCOTT FAMILY OF MORGAN COUNTY, TENNESSEE

The ancestors of Samuel Scott who settled in Morgan County, Tennessee in 1821 belonged to an important Scottish Border Clan whose pedigree goes back for nearly one thousand years, 200 years before William the Conqueror.

The first occurrence of the name of Scott in writing now preserved seems to be that of “Uchtred Filius Scoti” (Uchtred son of Scoti), among the witnesses to a Charter to the Abby Holyrood of Selkirk, granted by David I who was on the throne of Scotland from 1124 to 1153.

Uchtred Scott had one son, Richard, who was the father of two sons: Sir Richard the Elder being the ancestor of the Buccleuch branch of the Scott family; Sir Michael Scott was the ancestor of the Scotts of Balwearie.

The Ancestors of Samuel Scott, an early settler of Morgan County, Tennessee, belonged to the Buccleuch Scotts. The Castle Branhholm was the ancestral seat of this branch of the House of Scott.

On account of kinship with the royal family of Stuart, the Scott Clan espoused the cause of Prince Charles Edward, known as “Bonnie Prince Charlie”, in his effort to claim the throne of England by right of succession when the House of Hanover of Germany was called to the English throne. George III, King of England during the American Revolution, was a prince of this house.

At the Battle of Culloden Moor, 1746, Prince Charles and his Scottish forces were defeated by the English; and thus perished the last attempt of the House of Stuart to seat a king on the English throne.

Among the Scottish soldiers who fought for the Stuart cause were two brothers, James and William Scott, Buccleuch Scotts. Knowing that their lives were in danger, and that they would be charged with treason by England for their loyalty to the Stuarts, they fled to America soon afterward, landing in Virginia the same year, 1746.

James Scott is the ancestor of General Winfield Scott. Winfield visited his kinsmen, the Morgan County Scotts, at their plantation home on Emory River at the end of the Mexican War while on his way home to Virginia.

The other brother, William Scott, who fled Scotland after the Battle of Culloden, is the ancestor of Samuel Scott, one of Morgan County’s early settlers.

Thomas Scott, born July 19, 1755 in Maryland, was the father of Samuel Scott I, born June 19, 1777 in North Carolina, and grandfather of Russell Scott, born August 19, 1808 near Albany, Cumberland County [*now Clinton County*], Kentucky. At one time Thomas Scott lived in Virginia, then later in Wilkes County, North Carolina, where he enlisted in the Continental Army. He took part in the Battle of King’s Mountain, October 7, 1780, a battle which is often called “the turning point of the American Revolution”. The British, under Major Ferguson, were badly defeated.

In 1775, Thomas Scott married Letitia Russell in Burke County, North Carolina. Deciding to go “West” they left their home in North Carolina and passed through Morgan

County, Tennessee on their way to Cumberland County, Kentucky. They settled near Albany, where the old soldier died on March 1, 1834 and was buried.

Thomas and Letitia Scott were the parents of nine children: Mary, Samuel, Nancy, Jemima, Jane, Letitia, Martin, Richard, and Elizabeth. The second child, Samuel, born June 19, 1777, in Burke County, North Carolina, settled in Morgan County in 1821. He is the ancestor of the Scotts of Morgan County; his wife was Lydia Long, also of North Carolina. Samuel Scott died in 1841 and is buried under a cairn in the old Montgomery Cemetery.

Samuel I and Lydia Long Scott raised a family of ten children, five sons and five daughters. They are as follows: Thomas Jr. (b.1802) [1799], John (b. 1804), Samuel II (b. 1806), Russell (b. 1808), Julian Frazier (b. 1810), Lydia (b. 1812), Katie (married a Cowert or Cowart; mother of Susan Cowart Francioli), Elizabeth, Barbara, and Letitia (Letty). Some of the children were born in North Carolina, but Russell, Julian, and perhaps the younger ones were born in Kentucky before Samuel I moved to Tennessee. (The dates of the births of the younger girls are unknown to the author.) Some of the older children were left in North Carolina with grandparents when Samuel and Lydia Scott came to Kentucky. Later these children were brought to be with their parents.

More details about the children of Samuel I and Lydia Long Scott

Barbara - born in NC; died in KY

Catherine (Katie) – born 1798 in NC

Elizabeth –

Letitia – born in NC

Thomas Scott, Jr. (3 Mar 1799 – 7 Dec 1877 – born in NC; died in Linn Co., Kansas

John Long Scott (17 Jul 1804 – abt. 1896) – born in NC

Samuel Scott, Jr. (abt 1806 – 18 Nov 1860)

– born in NC; died in Scott Township, Linn Co., Kansas

Russell Scott (19 Aug 1808 – 23 Feb 1896)

– born in Albany, Cumberland Co., KY; died in Sunbright, Morgan Co., TN

Julian Frazier Scott (17 Feb 1810 – 31 Dec 1881)

– born Albany KY; died Montgomery, Morgan Co., TN

Lydia Louisa Scott (19 Dec 1812 – 18 Jun 1890)

– born Wayne Co., KY; died Bakersfield, MO

Samuel Scott II at an early age migrated to Bales County, Missouri, abutting Linn County, Kansas. Later he settled in Linn County. He was elected to the first Kansas Territorial Legislature and was re-elected to a second term. This was during the years when the Free-Staters and the Abolitionists were locked in a bitter struggle to determine whether Kansas should come into the Union as a slave-holding state. Being outspoken in his views and convictions, he antagonized his opponents and was hanged by a band of lawless “Jayhawkers” around November 18, 1860.

[*More Information about the death of Samuel Scott, Jr*](#)

PART II

DEATH OF AN OLD CITIZEN – RUSSELL SCOTT 23 FEB 1896

Son of Samuel and Lydia Long Scott, early settlers of Morgan County, Tennessee. Died near Sunbright, Tennessee, February 23, 1896. Russell Scott, aged 87 years, 6 months and 3 days, having been born in Cumberland County, Kentucky, 19 Aug 1808. His father, Samuel Scott, was a native of Burke County, North Carolina, and immigrated to Kentucky the latter part of the 18th century. In 1821 his father and mother, Samuel and Lydia Long Scott, removed from Kentucky to Morgan County, Tennessee, and settled on Emory River near Montgomery.

In 1826 he was united in marriage to Mary Webb who died in October 1854. *[August 1854]* Mary Webb Scott is buried in Elizabeth Graveyard on Emory River.

Russell Scott was the father of 13 children, All survive him except Mrs. Mary Moore who died in White County, *[Tennessee,]* April 1895. He leaves 12 children, 85 grandchildren, over 100 great-grandchildren, and 3 great-great-grandchildren and a host of friends and acquaintances who mourn his loss.

Martha Russell Scott, now living in Georgetown, KY is one of the 100 great-grandchildren. This notice must have been printed in “Sunbright Dispatch”, the only paper I know of being then printed in Morgan County, Tennessee. Early Morgan County History names John Webb who lived on Emory River prior to 1815. Is it not probable that the above John Webb was father of Mary Webb who was married to Russell Scott in 1826?

Added Info:

Have learned from greatgrandson of Russell Scott, namely, Hubert Russell Freels, descendant of Emma Scott Freels, that Russell Scott, husband of Mary Webb Scott, is buried in Sunbright (Tennessee) Cemetery. *[He is actually buried in the Hall Cemetery which is approximately 1.6 miles east of Sunbright off Mill Creek Road.]* Mary Webb Scott died 1853 *[1854]* and was laid to rest in Elizabeth Cemetery. Russell Scott outlived her 43 *[42]* years.

PART III

FAMILY OF RUSSELL SCOTT AND MARY WEBB SCOTT

Children

- I. Nancy Emmaline Scott (*1 Apr 1828 – 9 Jul 1901*)
- II. Lydia Scott (*abt 1830 – abt 1907*)
- III. John Long Scott II (*Jul 1832 – abt 1908*)
- IV. Chloe Scott (*21 Nov 1834 – 24 Aug 1922*)
- V. Elizabeth (Betz) Scott (*abt 1836 – 8 May 1900*)
- VI. Samuel Scott II (*abt 1838 – unknown*)
- VII. Mary Scott (*abt 1840 – Apr 1895*)
- VIII. Lettie or Letitia Scott (*13 Apr 1843 – 12 Jan 1902*)
- IX. Rhoda Scott – (*13 Jun 1845 – 11 Aug 1928*)
- X. Russell Scott, Jr. (*abt 1846 - ???*)
- XI. Zachary Taylor Scott (*28 Feb 1849 – 4 Oct 1931*)
- XII. Hope Scott – (*abt 1850 - ???*)
- XIII. Julian Frazier Scott II (*abt 1852 – abt 1930*)

I. Nancy Emmaline Scott (1 Apr 1828-29 – 9 Jul 1901) – married Joe Freels

It is reasonable to conclude that as her parents were wed in 1826, that she (the oldest) was probably born in 1827 or 1828. [*1 Apr 1828*] Her sister, Rhoda Scott, could not remember Emmaline until after she and Jesse Freels were married. One of the older children remarked that they saw her coming home for the first time after her marriage. “There comes Big Sis walking beside ‘Old Joe’”.

Some of the children born to this couple were: John, Jesse, Russell, Enoch, Edward, Zachary, Polly, and others. Aunt Emma Freels was very kind and loving to my Granny, Rhoda Scott, after their mother died. Granny often told me of the unhappiness of her brothers and sisters after Mary Webb Scott passed away (1853 or 1854) [*1854*] Then their father, Russell Scott, was married for the second time to a woman whom Granny called ‘Jane Stallion’. The children hated her and she hated them. (Evidently they lived together only a short while.) The girls, including Granny (Rhoda), were given much wool to clean of burrs etc. every day, which had to be completed before they could retire. My Granny had a felon coming on the first joint of her right thumb. This was so painful that she couldn’t work. (She was eight when her mother died.) So she walked for miles to her sister, Emma Scott Freels’ home, where she was warmly welcomed and her “hand doctored”. The bone came out, which marred the looks of her thumb. This was the thumb with which she held her needle – but she could sew as nice a seam and work as perfect a button hole as any fine seamstress. I never saw Aunt Emma except through my Granny’s eyes, yet I loved her for kindness to her little sister who needed loving then, very much. Granny called her “Sister Emmy”. Aunt Emma and Uncle Jesse Freels always lived in the Fifth District of Morgan County, near Sunbright, Tennessee. Their children had little

opportunity for education, but now their posterity, numbered in the hundreds, are doing well for themselves and their children. Many have won honors in high schools and colleges. One could get authentic information from N. Dudley Freels, hardware merchant of Sunbright, Tennessee. (Edward and Jesse Freels used to rent land from L. H. Scott. I had to cook for them; they were big and strong like “the knights of old”. *[The author is provably referring to her husband, Leonidas Campbell Houck Scott.]*

To the best of my knowledge both Emma and Jesse Freels died about 1900 and were buried, perhaps, at Pleasant Ridge Cemetery near Sunbright, Tennessee. *[Their tombstones at Pleasant Ridge Cemetery show the following dates: Jesse Freels (15 Apr 1824 – 2 Jul 1898); Nancy E. Freels (1 Apr 1828 – 9 Jul 1901).]*

II. Lydia Scott (abt. 1830 – abt. 1907) – married Samuel Hall (5 Feb 1830 – 29 Jun 1908)

[Samuel and Lydia Hall are said to be buried in unmarked graves at the Hall cemetery 1.6 miles east of Sunbright off Mill Creek Rd. This is the cemetery where Lydia’s father, Russell Scott is buried in a marked grave.]

Sometime after the death of her mother and after her marriage, Lydia and her husband, Samuel Hall, went to Missouri in a covered wagon. The year was perhaps 1855 or 1856. (This is when Granny’s brother, Sam Scott III left Tennessee never to return.) I have not been told how long they were there. However, they raised a big family in Morgan County, Tennessee. (Sunbright was their post office.)

Of the family, I can only name the following: John, Sam, and Mary. I do not know who was the oldest, but Mary was some older than my mother, Mary Llewellyn, who was born 1872. I suppose the boys were older. I saw Aunt Lydia Scott Hall twice in my life. Once, when Granny lived on Uncle Zack Scott’s farm *[Zachary Taylor Scott]*, we went to see Aunt Lydia. She and other helpers were shearing sheep. “The only sheep shearing I ever attended”. Then again, years after when she was about 80 or more she had to live with her son, John Hall. She told my Granny that she was very unhappy with the arrangement. Her room had no fire and there was a host of noisy, ill-mannered “young-uns”.

Her daughter Mary was considered quite a belle in her young days – retaining her beauty, pride and style even in her old age.

Mary Hall married Link Hale *[James Lincoln Hale]*, a coal miner in Scott County, Tennessee. She had one child, Maud, 2 ½ years older than me (Martha Scott) and she was my favorite cousin. Maud was born December 27, 1888 *[possibly 12/28/1891]*, and lives in Chattanooga, Tennessee *[2614 Berkley Dr, Red Bank]*. Her mother has been dead only about 2 or 3 years and was 93 or so at the time of her death. Maud worked as a telephone operator for many years in Chattanooga. She saved her money, bought a home there, and had her mother come live with her after the death of Link Hale. A short while before Mary died, Maud fell in the kitchen, breaking her hip. On account of her mother’s age she left the hospital too soon and now walks with a cane. Maud never married but devoted her life to the care of her mother. *[Maud died in Sep 1972.]*

III. John Long Scott II (July 1832 – abt. 1909) – married Perlissa Holloway

By my best reasoning, John Long Scott II belongs here in the record. I never saw Uncle John, only thru my Granny's eyes – which proved to be an attractive likeness of the original, both in exterior and interior. Granny went to see him when he was sick shortly before he died – about 1909. He then lived on a small farm several miles from Wartburg (*Tennessee*) on what is now called the Catoosa Road. I couldn't go to the funeral but opine that he was buried at the Montgomery Cemetery. [*Both John and Perlissa are buried at the Wartburg Cemetery.*] For many years he served as Register of Deeds for Morgan County, and one of his sons, Sam F. Scott III, was Clerk of the Circuit Court.

John L. Scott II lived at Old Montgomery when Sam Frazier Scott [1844-1883] (son of Julian Frazier Scott [1810-1881] and father of L. H. Scott [1880-1928]) lived in the Old Scott Tavern. I have heard Louisa [*Louisa Long Scott (1875-1949)*] (Dave's and Clint's mother) tell many times of the children of both families playing together at Old Montgomery. John L. Scott II and Perlissa Holloway had several children. This list is not in correct order of birth, but only as I remember hearing their names.

1. Joseph Winfield Scott [1857-1916] - lawyer, and at one time Mayor of Harriman, Tennessee
2. Alice Scott (m. Louis Lane) [1865-abt. 1954] – loaned me the book, Old Fuss and Feathers, in about 1942 (lived in Harriman)
3. Betty Scott [1869-1937] – married a German
4. Mary Scott [b. 1862; died Crossville, Tennessee] – m. Gus Schlicher, a German
5. Sam F. Scott II [*middle initial perhaps H; 1867-1898*] – Circuit Court Clerk; killed in train accident
6. Russell E. Scott [1873-1904] – killed by kinsman, W. S. Keaton (shot in back at Wartburg)
7. William J. Scott [1876-1962] (m. Millie Moates) – I knew Bill, who sold fruit trees for a nursery

[*Other children: Rebecca E. Scott (abt. 1860-1901), Robert Daily Scott (b. 1881)*]

Russell E. or “Rus” as L.H.S.’s family called him, was a special favorite of theirs and spent a lot of time with them and they all mourned for him. When he was shot he was taken to the Wartburg Hotel nearby. He called for Louisa to come to pray for him – for he believed her to be a dedicated Christian woman – which I know that she was. I do not know the exact year this tragedy took place [26 Dec 1904; buried at Wartburg Cemetery], but when I arrived on Emory River in September 1905, the case was in court and was a subject of common discussion throughout the county. Keaton had John M. Davis as his defense lawyer, who had no scruples in dealing with what it took to win a case. Keaton received approximately a two-year sentence.

IV. Chloe Scott (b. 1832) [21 Nov 1834-24 Aug 1922]
– married Luke Hall [b. 1835; maybe died during the Civil War]

My Granny, Rhoda Scott, told me many times that her sister Chloe (we called her Aunt Chloe) was 13 years her senior. *[The author uses this as the basis for determining Chloe's year of birth. Other sources show 21 Nov 1834 as Chloe's date of birth.]* I was better acquainted with Aunt Chloe and Uncle Zack [Zachary] than any other of my Granny's brothers and sisters. She visited us while we still lived on the Scott Plantation. She must have inherited the Irish (Webb) hair and complexion, as in her old age one could see that her hair was once a light shade of red, skin fair with freckles. She was proud of her Scott blood and enjoyed talking about her grandparents, Samuel Scott and Lydia Long Scott.

She was the source for my information of the visit of General Winfield Scott to see his "cousin" Samuel Scott. This visit could have taken place at the end of the War of 1812. (I wish I had a U. S. history text to refer to now, but as I am writing this sketch from a fishing resort in N. W. Ontario, Canada, I had just as well wish for Elizabeth II's crown.)

Both Winfield and Samuel fought in the War of 1812. (See affidavit of Zachary Taylor Scott included in other records of the Scott family.) The Mexican War ended in 1848 – correct? *[Not sure why the author makes this reference to the Mexican War.]* Grandfather Samuel Scott drowned in 1841. *[crossing the Emory River at Montgomery]*

Aunt Chloe told me that Grandmother Lydia Scott was an aristocratic lady and mentioned her dainty deer-skin shoes. I am sure that she had few comforts or luxuries, the same as other pioneer settlers of that area.

Children of Aunt Chloe (her husband must have died young):

1. John W. Hall – a handsome, intelligent, successful businessman of Lancing, Tennessee. His wife was Alice Keith, the Keiths being a Clan of Scotland. (Her mother was Sarah Jane Keith.) John W. Hall could not take his mother into his home in her old age, but provided well for her.
2. Mary Hall – married Miles Buxton, who was notoriously cruel to her.

L. H. Scott Sr. (my husband), his sisters, Louisa and Martha, were cousins and playmates of Mary Hall. They often told me of Mary's beauty and daintiness – adding that Aunt Chloe would never allow Mary to do much work but did all the dirty hard jobs, so that lovely Mary could continue in the class of the beautiful. Then she made a sorry marriage with the cruel, jealous Miles Buxton "and lived unhappily ever after".

For many years Aunt Chloe lived with her niece, Mary Scott Saffell, who was the daughter of Uncle Zack Scott (Aunt Chloe's brother). I visited in the Mary Scott Saffell home several times when Aunt Chloe lived there and always enjoyed my stays. Mary was a fine cook, housekeeper, and seamstress; very kind and hospitable. (Aunt Chloe had lost sight in one eye and she chewed tobacco.) Mary's husband, Fred Saffell, worked in the store owned by John W. Hall and I think his mother was offspring of the early Duncan family, pioneers of Morgan County, Tennessee.

Son of Mary Scott and Fred Saffell, Hale Saffell, is now (1969) Register of Deeds of Morgan County; his office being the first on the left as you enter the Wartburg Court House. Aunt Chloe helped take care of Hale when he was a baby.

I regret that I cannot give accurate dates of birth, marriage and deaths. I had no Scott family bible for records of births; and having a family of eight children plus my grandmother

Rhoda Scott, I had my quota of duties. Even when some of the older kin died, I might be teaching in a remote area, when we then had no good roads and few ways of transportation. So I couldn't get there and had not at that time dreamed of ever writing any Scott history.

- V. Elizabeth (Betsy) Scott (abt 1836 – 8 May 1900)
 – married Enoch Duncan, a surveyor (d. abt. 1912)

A typewritten copy of the missing manuscript page(s), the first page about Elizabeth Scott, has been found and is now included in this document.

This is Granny's "Sister Betz" of whom I heard much, but never saw. I have seen Uncle Enoch who came to live with his son James Duncan on the old Samuel and Lydia Scott homestead site (the old house had been torn down) and farm the land.

Aunt Betsy and Uncle Enoch had only two children that I know of.

1. Mary Duncan (abt. 1858 – abt 1936)- married Henry Hambright
2. James Duncan (abt. 1864 - unknown) – married Nancy Galloway

Uncle Enoch died in his sleep at the above location about 1912. (Again, I am using a date of which I am not sure, and trying to tie it in relationship to my narrative.)

On Sunday, March 17, 1912, James Duncan's girls, Mary and Lydia, came to visit us, and my son, Samuel Russell Scott, was born the next day, Monday March 18, 1912. It was the custom in that day, in case of sickness or death, if necessary, to borrow bed sheets or anything else needed from neighbors. I loaned the Duncan's the sheet to "lay Uncle Enoch out on". Now, back to their daughter Mary who married Henry Hambright. This couple had a son named Ben Hambright, and a daughter (name forgotten) who married Oak Hammonds.

Ben Hambright joined U. S. Army and was sent to Philippines about 1898 with others who enlisted from that area. When the War was over other local boys returned home, but Ben Hambright never came – for years. I cannot say if his parents heard from him.

Time flew – and one day a letter came, but not from Ben. His Filipino wife wrote the letter and enclosed a picture of their children – saying that "Mr. Hambright would be angry at her for it." Time went on, and after 20 or so years, Ben, the long gone son, arrived unannounced.

My Granny heard the news and as his mother, Mary, was one of her favorite nieces ("Sister Betz's girl) she lost no time in going to see the family. (She was living with us and I'm telling this as she told us.) Ben's family in the Philippines was now grown. I never heard if he made any explanations as to time passed there, and resolution to come back to his native home.

But wait until you hear that which soon followed!

About three months passed, and Ben Hambright received a telegram from San Francisco – his son, Severine Hambright, had worked his passage to America on a ship – but he needed funds to get from San Francisco to Sunbright, Tennessee. Funds were raised to send (and money was hard to get in Morgan County, Tennessee then) and Severine arrived. But that's not the climax at all! In about three months Severine and his first cousin, Winnie Hammonds, were married. Another son of Ben's, Vincent, followed very soon.

Severine and Winnie moved to Goby (the lumber mill town built on the W. J. Scott place) and I taught their children in the Gobey School. Hazel, the oldest, had very blonde hair, yet I

could see dark in it. Her complexion was very fair yet I could see Oriental yellow underneath. Iris, the second girl, was little, cute, Anglo-Saxon facial structure, dark hair and dark eyes. Lois, the third girl, was a pure Oriental from head to toe, little and cute. These children knew that we were their kin, and were always pleased to tell the fact. (L.H.S. Jr. and Julian, my sons, attended Gobey School.)

Severine Hambright was a very handsome man, tall, well formed and very neat. He spoke good English and wrote so well that I wished all the natives in that area could do likewise. Some couldn't even read or write.

One day these children said, "Miss Scott, do you want to see a picture of Daddy's sisters in the Philippine Islands?" Of course I did. The picture was of two or three girls (I forget) in white graduation dresses embellished with all the beautiful hand work that people such as they can do on fine muslin. (These girls left in the Philippines by their father, Ben Hambright, are also offspring of Samuel and Lydia Scott. After Gobey went dead, as the timber was cut out, Severine and family moved to Chattanooga.)

Rhoda Scott (Granny) left the great shawl at her death to Mary Hambright. She also made a quilt for her, set together with a dress that her "Sister Betz" had – gray calico with black pansies in it. (Sister Betz was mother of Mary Duncan Hambright.)

VI. Samuel Scott II (abt. 1838 - ?) – married ???

I know little or nothing to write about this Sam Scott who was my Grandmother Rhoda Scott's brother, except that which she told to me. This is the story told to me by my grandmother:

"Brother Sam was unhappy at the home of his father, Russell Scott, after death of his mother, Mary Webb Scott, when a stepmother presided over the home. Brother Sam was *approximately* 15 years old when his mother died in 1854."

"The news had been received that his sister, Lydia Scott Hall, and husband, Sam Hall, were leaving for Missouri in a covered wagon, and that they would cross Emory River at or near Montgomery (Morgan County). After leaving home one morning under pretext of going to the woods to dig ginseng, he stuck his hoe in a stump and leaving the ginseng "undug", he hurried to the place where they would be crossing the pond (there being no bridge at that time), joined them, made the journey with them, and never returned to Tennessee."

However, he did keep in touch with some of the family (I know not whom), for my Grandmother had a photograph about 12"x12", framed in an old fashioned frame which she proudly showed saying, "This is my brother Sam Scott, his wife, and two daughters, who left here when 15 years old and went to Missouri to live and never came back."

This Sam Scott II and his brother Julian Frazier Scott II did meet by appointment once about 1900 or thereabout.

Uncle Julian II (son of Russell Scott) moved his family to Port Arthur Texas near 1900. Uncle Sam Scott II had located in Oklahoma perhaps when the land was open for settlement.

My Granny was told of the meeting of the two long-parted brothers, how they put their arms around each other, both shedding tears.

Granny always cried when she told me the above, and I, being very emotional, likewise emoted, when this was related; and I never grew tired of hearing her tell it. (I would love to contact some posterity of Sam Scott II.)

VII. Mary Scott (b. *abt.* 1840-Apr 1895) – married James Moore

The birth date is only based on reasoning. If she was born in 1840, she would have been 20 in 1860, therefore old enough to marry a Confederate soldier. Grandmother Rhoda told me, “Sister Mary went to White County, Tennessee, to live near Sparta, after marrying Jim Moore.” I know only one of her offspring, her son, Sam Moore, a railroad man, who worked for C.N.O. & T.P. when I was about twelve years old; and he being a first cousin of my mother, boarded at our home in Chattanooga, Tennessee, for a short while. He was good looking, intelligent, and walked proudly. That the home of Aunt Mary Scott Moore’s offspring was near Sparta is all the indefinite information I can give. Mary Scott Moore died in April 1895, prior to the death of her father Russell Scott who passed away February 23, 1896.

VIII. Lettie or Letitia Scott (13 Apr 1843 – 12 Jan 1902) – married James Brient (or Bryant)

My Granny’s “Sister Lettie” – I never saw Aunt Lettie, but knew her only through the eyes of Grandma. I am not sure that I have her in the correct place in age bracket. Her husband was a soldier of the Civil War, but I do not remember for which cause he fought. However, I do recall that he was connected with the death of a local man, during or right after the War; he left Morgan County.

Their children were:

1. Mary Bryant Bailey – b. *abt.* 1872
2. Sam Bryant – b. *abt.* 1885 – Engineer, C.N.O. & T.P.
3. Charles Bryant – b. *abt.* 1880 – Conductor, C.N.O & T.P

Both Charles and Sam lived at Danville, Kentucky. Both deceased, I suppose. Sam and Charley Bryant were first cousins of my mother, Mary Lewellyn Russell, and were often visitors in our home and at Granny’s, whom they called Aunt “Lo”.

Mary Bryant Bailey had a daughter, Ethel, born approximately 1891. When we visited Granny near Sunbright, about 1901, my sister Julia and I played with her, and also went to school with her at Sunbright. Although it was during our vacation, which lasted until September, schools in Morgan County, Tennessee began in July. As we loved school, with our whole heart, we thought we had to go too; and even if we were just out the last of May, the call was too real to disregard. Some grandchildren of Aunt Lydia S. Hall went too.

Cousin Sam and Cousin Charley, as we called them, visited us (L.H.S., Sr.; Grandma Rhoda, and me) on the old Scott Plantation, either 1914 or 1915, when we had only May, Sam and Bill as our contribution to the Clan of Scott. Both were well loved by us. I never even heard from them after that. They were both handsome and intelligent. Granny told an amusing story about Cousin Charley, who lived with her at one period when he was small. Needing some soap

from the store, she called Cousin Charley to go for her. Being very slow in getting started, on inquiring for the reason, she learned that he was hunting for a piece of cloth to “hold over a hole in his little old britches”. Long afterward, when he was a railroad conductor on the Southern, wearing a fine tailor-made suite, she reminded him of the above emergency. I know that Sam Bryant’s wife was named Lucy; a girl, Nina, and a boy, Forrest, were born to them. Other later children I know not.

Charles Bryant married Bertha Netherly from Glenmary, Tennessee in 1900 or 1902.

IX. Rhoda Scott (13 Jun 1845 – 16 Aug 1928) [*or 22 Aug 1928*]

- married (1st) – John Lewellyn
- married (2nd) – Charles Palestine Wilmore

Rhoda Scott married John Lewellyn, was divorced, and then married Charles Palestine Wilmore. Having lived with my Grandmother from September 1905 (year of my mother’s death) until she died in 1928 (only two months after the death of my husband, Luther Scott), I am able to tell more about her life than the other children of Russell Scott.

Born June 13, 1845 on a farm belonging to the Samuel Scott Plantation, about two miles north of the homesite, near the banks of Emory River; land which later was acquired by Julian Frazier Scott, then later owned by W. J. Scott (son of Julian Frazier) who lost almost all of his eyesight. Ironically, Rhoda Scott spent some of her last years as housekeeper for the son of W. J. Scott, on the land where she was born.

As stated before, the death of Mary Webb Scott and remarriage of Russell Scott was the direct cause of a very unhappy childhood of the younger children. Without the love and care of the older girls and boys, life would have been even more unhappy.

Fortunately Rhoda Scott was born a willing and beautiful worker. She was industrious, clean, an excellent cook, skillful weaver, knitter, and economical (never wasteful). Her vegetable garden was as lovely as a flower garden. She made the best homemade soap, knew how to take care of meat killed on the farm, and made delicious light bread including Salt Rising Light bread. In fact anything that she did was well done: kraut, pickled beans, jellies, jams and preserves were A+!

Rhoda Scott married John Lewellyn perhaps about 1870. On February 8, 1872, twins were born to them: my mother, Mary Elizabeth Lewellyn and a boy Russell Lewellyn. Death took the little boy, Russell, when 8 weeks old. Another set of twins were born to them: two girls, Lydia and Emma, named for Rhoda’s sisters. They were not identical twins. The picture sent to us by Coy, marked “Emma Brock” is the baby, Emma, of these twins.

Rhoda Scott’s marriage proved unhappy, ending in divorce. In later years she was married to Charles Palestine Wilmore. He was a native of Wilmore, Kentucky. There is now a Methodist Seminary located at that place.

Charles Wilmore was all the grandpa I ever knew, although a step-grandpa. Nice looking, well groomed, better educated and more cultured than many men raised in areas of poor (or no) schools, Grandpa Wilmore was kind to my sister Julia and me, and we loved him.

Although he had many admirable traits, his unadmirable one was a desire for the bottle. When he imbibed too freely, Granny put him to bed; then nothing was heard from him, and I never heard them quarrel. But I have heard her say, “I wish I could pour every drop of whiskey

on earth into the depths of the sea.” As I have written in the manuscript relating to W. J. Scott, Grandmother moved from Glenmary, Tennessee (Scott County) in 1905 to keep house for the son of W. J. Scott – named Evan Palmer Scott. Evan P. Scott squandered his birthright, made heavy debt and then left Morgan County.

Prior to the latter statement, Armita Webb Scott, widow of Sam Frazier Scott, passed away spring 1906. Children of Sam and Armita were L. H. Scott (my husband), John Julian, Louisa (Dave & Clint’s mother), Martha, and Mary Scott. Some time passed, a year or so, then my Grandmother went to keep house for L. H. Scott and John L. Scott. *[This is probably the John L. Scott (1873-1934) who married Rachel Byrd.]* (This is the John Scott whom Uncle Polk Hall visited in 1924 when in Morgan County.)

I, Martha, was at that time with my father W. M. Russell and his second wife, Cordelia Freels. She also was offspring of Samuel and Lydia L. Scott. She was the granddaughter of Emma Scott Freels. *[Nancy Emaline Scott]*

I came back to Emory River to wed L. H. Scott, Feb. 25, 1909. My Granny loved L. H. Scott like her own son and lived with us until he died June 30, 1928. She died 2 months later, August 16, 1928. *[August 22nd ?]*

Grandma belonged to the Missionary Baptist Church of __?__, removing her membership to Elizabeth Church on Emory River, Morgan County, 1905 or 1906.

I began attending church services here with Granny, but being a young lady of 14 years, just from the city, I was amazed at the difference in the customs, speech, informality and emotions of these country people in comparison with those of my formal, cold Presbyterian Church members of Chattanooga.

But I proved to be one of those folk Oliver Goldsmith wrote of in his famous poem, “The Deserted Village”. “Fools who came to scoff, remained to pray” Not that I ever scoffed at any service held anywhere to worship the true God of all Creation. Soon I became aware of the fact that though the worshippers wore ill-fitting, unbecoming, homemade clothes, in their hearts they were no Pharisees, no holier than thou, but they were happy Christian brothers and sisters, who as a general rule lived their devotion to God seven days a week. I’ve been a Baptist, now, about fifty-two years.

My Granny had a tender, loving heart, a heart of gold; she gave liberally and freely of her substance, always thinking of the other person’s needs before her own personal necessities. On August 16, 1928, *[22nd ?]* God called her home. Her verse in Proverbs was most fitting:

“She seeketh wool and flax, and worketh willingly with her hands.”

I know that I shall see her again, but I miss her even now. Our children were all born before her death; she loved them dearly, and they loved her. We were always amused at their thinking she was “Grandma Scott”, not “Grandma Wilmore”. When L. H. Jr. was born she had lost most of her eyesight. The other children wanted her to see that he was a beautiful baby. She would rub her hand over his little head and say, “Yes, he feels pretty”.

She was the most influential person of my life. The things I learned from her are not to be learned from reading, but by example. She taught me the proper value of things that make for right living. My first and best Bible teacher, she introduced me to the Old Testament characters, God’s Chosen People, the Psalms of David and Proverbs of Solomon; then the fulfilled plan of God’s Salvation through our Redeemer, God’s son, Christ Jesus. Thank you God for my Granny Rhoda Scott Wilmore.

X. Russell Scott, Jr. (b. abt. 1846) – married Sarah Hurtt

My Granny's brother Russ.

I never saw Uncle Russ. I have heard that he was a victim of epilepsy. I know of two children: Charley Scott and Susie Scott. *[Sources indicate that were two other children: Ella and Julia.]* Susan was the namesake of Susan Cowart Francioli, daughter of Katie *[Catherine]* Scott Cowart, who was born to Samuel and Lydia Long Scott in North Carolina. Granny told me that Auntie Katie, being one of the older (if not the oldest) children of Samuel and Lydia Long Scott was left in North Carolina when they migrated to Kentucky, then on to Tennessee; they later went back to North Carolina to bring her to Kentucky. Kate Scott married a Cowart or Cowert (where and when I do not know).

More about Sysan C. Francioli later. One of our historical sheets has the name of Katie Scott.

XI. Zachary Taylor Scott (28 Feb 1849 – 4 Oct 1931) – married Mary Patten Jones of Sunbright

[See Affidavit of Z. T. Scott in Scott Family History](#)

The date of birth (1848), as I related previously is purely by supposition. But having Vol. 32, Funk and Wagonall's Encyclopedia open as I write, I conclude that I am about correct. "President Zachary Taylor died of bilious colic sixteen months after taking office." Born 1784 – died 1850.

I was better acquainted with Uncle Zack Scott than any other members of my grandmother's family. She loved him dearly. So did I. It was at Uncle Zack's home that I saw for the only time my great grandfather, Russell Scott, who died in 1896. Zachary Taylor Scott was a handsome, dignified man with snow white hair; he was a farmer, a surveyor, had a great love for music, and was a good singer. The L. H. Scott, Sr. family, including my grandmother, welcomed him most heartily when he came to visit us on the Old Scott Plantation. After a good supper we would sing and talk history and politics until late, late bedtime. Truly, my Granny and I would talk so much that he would forget he had to go – and when he did, he would forget his hat.

His wife, Aunt Polly (*Mary Patten Jones Scott*), was a fine dressmaker and made lovely clothes for their girls.

Not knowing the correct order of ages of the girls and boys, I'll follow the usual course of tying on to things that I do know about –

[Children of Zachary and Mary in correct order from other family records]

1. *William Russell Scott* (7 Jul 1872 – 13 Apr 1917) – died after a fall while building a house at Huffman – married Othenia Sylvia Griffith
2. *Mary Ann Scott* (9 Nov 1873 – 20 Jul 1962) – married Fred P. Saffell – Aunt Chloe Scott Hall lived with them
3. *Elizabeth (Bettie) J. Scott* (12 Sep 1875 - ???)

4. *Laura Alice Scott (6 Jan 1878 – 9 Apr 1936) – married Granville Davis who served several terms as sheriff of Morgan County*
5. *Dora Emma Scott (9 Dec 1880 – 1 Mar 1961) – married Richard H. Woolfolk, engineer for CNO&TP railroad.*
6. *John Long Scott (10 Feb 1882 – 24 May 1961) – married Alta May Clark*
7. *Samuel Dunlap Scott (abt 1884 – abt 1887)*
8. *Joseph Winfield Scott (abt 1887 – abt 1889)*
9. *Fanny Crosby Scott (abt 1889 – 29 Nov 1931) – m. H. Greely Gresham*
10. *Edith Lois Scott (23 Apr 1892 – 22 Feb 1985) – m. Addison Rudy*
11. *Clarence Moody Scott (1 Jul 1896 – 11 Aug 1975) – m. Grace Flonnie Stephens*
12. *Eunice Madeline Scott (13 Jun 1899 – 25 Jul 1980) – m. Julian Rudisill Smith*

This was a family of beautiful girls and good looking boys. They were talented musically and Edith played the piano well. They sang together often. *As of 1969, all except the three youngest are deceased.*

Mary Scott Saffell is the mother of Hale Saffell, Register of Deeds of Morgan County at present. Mary was a school teacher.

Dora Scott Woolfolk visited my Granny in Scott County, Tennessee when my family was making preparations to move to Chattanooga. My mother and Dora Scott went by train, taking my little brother John, age nine months, to visit my mother's sister, Emma Broack, before moving away. The time was hot July, and my sweet little brother John, was stricken with meningitis. The little one lived to be three years of age, and then another attack took him away. I was then eight years old and we lived in Chattanooga.

Laura Scott Davis came to see us and Granny often in Scott County, Tennessee. Laura had lovely auburn curly hair and "green" eyes. She and Gran Davis raised three children: Reba, Mildred, and Clarence.

John L. Scott and wife Alta Clark raised the most outstanding family of Uncle Zack's children. *[Again, these details come from other family records.]*

1. *Jewell Marjorie Scott (1911-1990) – m. Henry Raymond Voss, Jr.*
2. *Mary Caroline Scott (1912-1970)*
3. *Dorothy Madeline Scott (1914-1999) - m. Edwin C. Walley*
4. *John Clark Scott (1916-1973) – m. Berniece Owens*
5. *William Taylor Scott (1918-2002) – m. Ann Vespie*
6. *Russell Julian Scott (1920-2013) – m. Margaret Grey Patching*
7. *Ella Bernice Scott (1923-1993) – m. Charles Leston Bradshaw*
8. *Alice Winifred Scott (1928-2017) – m. Truman Melton*

This was a musical family. They were featured in quartets for church and many other occasions. John L. Scott, their father, sang with them also.

XII. Hope Scott (abt. 1850 – unknown) – m. William Angel

Sister Hopie as Granny called her was the youngest of the girls in the family. I never knew her. She married William Angel who was killed in a mine explosion at Coal Creek, Tennessee on *19 May 1902*. Coal Creek is now Lake City, Tennessee. After creation of Tennessee Valley Authority (TVA) the name Coal Creek was discarded, Lake City being the new name.

Eighty-nine of the 216 of the coal miners who lost their lives in the explosion are buried in the Fraterville Miners' Circle in Leach Cemetery at Lake City. Records indicate that William Angel is buried in Old Gray Cemetery in Knoxville, Tennessee. The names of most of those who died are inscribed on a marker in the Leach Cemetery.

No children were born to this union. The story goes that he was cruel to “Sister Hopie”. I have no record of her death.

XIII. Julian Frazier Scott II (abt. 1852 – *abt. 1930*) – m. Susan McCartt

Not listed in our Tennessee 1850 Census. His mother, Mary Webb Scott, died when he was about two years of age. My Granny told me that their father, Russell Scott, took him to live with his mother, Lydia Long Scott, at the old Scott homestead on Emory River Plantation. Evidently, Julian Frazier Scott I (*son of Samuel Scott, Sr. and Lydia Long*), had by 1850 acquired all of his brothers and sisters shares of the Scott family lands and then lived in the old Scott home. The 1850 Tennessee Census lists the above Julian as owner of property worth \$24,100 – also his mother Lydia Long Scott's assets as \$500.

I have no information as to how long this little Julian Frazier Scott II was a member of this household. But I have heard it told that he was near the age of his cousins, Missouri Clay Scott and Buena Vista Scott, who were his playmates.

In the 1850 census, Missouri Scott was age one, Julian Frazier Scott II was not yet born. [*Children of Julian Frazier Scott I and Martha Scott listed in the 1850 census for Morgan County, Tennessee were Columbus, William, California, Julianna, Samuel F., John L., Tennessee, and Missouri.*]

Julian Frazier Scott II was married to Susan McCarth. Some of the children's names I recall from family talks: Janie, Vada, William, Sam, and Joe.

About 1900 the Julian Frazier Scott II family pulled up Tennessee roots and settled near Port Arthur, Texas. This is where Henderson Scott (*b. abt 1869*), eldest son of William Julian Scott (*1835-1903*) settled when he left his family and handsome legacy in Tennessee. (Later, O. T. Hall, Oregon, did precisely same thing as Uncle Julian.) [*It is unclear who this O. T. Hall is that Martha is referring to.*]

After the death of his wife, Susan McCartt Scott, Julian Frazier Scott II returned to Tennessee to live out his remaining days. After a year or so, he married the widow of his nephew, John Freels, son of his sister, Emma Scott Freels and Jesse Freels. This second wife was Emily England Freels, and (believe it or not) John and Emily Freels were the parents of my stepmother, Cordelia Freels Russell. Thus my Daddy married great-granddaughters of Samuel and Lydia Scott both times.

From all accounts Julian F. Scott II was a good man who worked hard all of his life, raised a big family, and left no property. He was loved dearly by his sister, Rhoda Scott. He died at Sunbright, Tennessee near 1930 [*died 23 Aug 1932 and buried at Pleasant Ridge Cem on Burrville Rd west of Sunbright in the same plot as his brother, Zachary Taylor Scott*]. His son William lived at Bakersfield, California at the time of his father's death.

He has descendants in the area of Dallas, Texas. My son, Samuel Russell Scott, went to Dallas, Texas during the "no money, no get crisis" immediately following high school graduation, 1930. Trying to locate a job, he spent some time with Uncle Julian's boys, but had no luck and soon returned home to Wartburg, Tennessee.

The picture of Uncle Zack Scott and Uncle Julian which Uncle Polk Hall took back to Missouri was made, of course, after Uncle Julian returned to Tennessee and had probably married Emily England Freels, daughter-in-law of Emma Scott Freels and Jesse Freels.