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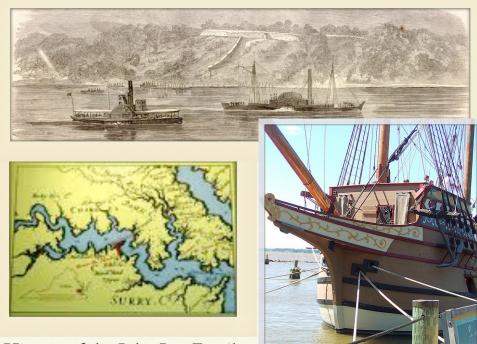
Cumberland Bound

Family Spotlight



My name is Burrell Lee and I am the son of Braxton Lee and Elizabeth Hatcher, I was born ca 1807 in Davidson County, TN at Leeland Station. I was a minister of the Methodist Circuit in Tennessee in my early years. In 1830, I moved to the Cherokee lands where I faithfully labored in the ministry for 43 years. During this time I established the First Methodist Church in Batesville, AR.

Burrell died on May 28, 1877 and is buried in the local cemetery in Bat. Look for more info about Burrell at jacobhuntertrust.org



History of the John Lee Family

The earliest confirmed ancestors in the Lee family tree are John and Lucy Lee who settled on Fleming' Park Creek in Goochland County, VA about 1728. John was born ca 1705 in Virginia. At this time we do not have information on Lucy's maiden name or family history. The recent advancement of DNA testing has confirmed that our closet relative relationship beyond John is with Henry Lee of York County who came to America ca 1630 and settled on Cheskiack, just north of present day Yorktown. There is much work to be done to establish the relationship of Henry and John and hopefully future DNA testing will help with this connection.

The Lee family were members of the Saint James Northam Parish under the leadership of William Douglas, a noted scholar and teacher. John Lee, like many others, was involved in raising tobacco along the James River. John and Lucy had six children:

- Helena was born ca 1730 and married Jarvis Jackson, they settled in Bedford County, Va. Helena died before 1771.
- Stephen was born ca 1731 and married Anna Poore on Nov 3, 1763. Stephen and Anna had nine children and are the progenitors of the Braxton Lee family that came to Tennessee.
- John Jr was born ca 1733 and married Betty Page in 1755 and had nine children also, John died as a result of injuries received in the revolutionary war.
- Benjamin Lee was born ca 1735 and married Mary Richardson in 1766. Benjamin was an ensign in the Fluvanna County militia and saw active duty in the Revolutionary War.
- Deborah was born ca 1738 and married John Hamilton Hodges in 1756 and they later settled in Montgomery County, KY