Walter Coles Sen. was born in Hanover County, 14 November 1739 and died 7 November 1780. He was married 20 February 1767 to Mildred Lightfoot.

Issue:

Mary Coles born 10 December 1767; married Henry Tucker

Mildred Howell Coles born 15 May 1769; died 24 April 1840.

Sarah Coles born 7 December 1770; married 1 August 1799, James Bruce

John Coles born 12 November 1772; died ___ September 1732.

Walter Coles born 25 January 1775

Isaac Coles born 15 January 1777; died 9 February 1814. Married first Elizabeth Lightfoot; married second Catherine Thompson

William Coles born 8 October 1779.

TCMB  
James Bruce  
of Halifax County, Va.  
Born March 20, 1761  
Died March 12, 1835  
(seems to be a notation indicating this tomb is in St. Andrew's Churchyard, Philadelphia, Pa.)

* From a typed copy, Bruce Family Manuscript, on microfilm, Alderman Library, University of Virginia, #2889-a. No indication as to original manuscript.

** This typed copy #2889-a of this Bible Record also contains the names of the sponsors at baptism of several of the children of Walter Coles, Senior, and Mildred Lightfoot, his wife, but these were not copied by me for want of time.

Geo. H. S. King, 1953
Walter Coles and Mildred Lightfoot were married 29th of February 1767.

Mary daughter of Walter & Mildred Coles, was born 15th of December 1757. Mrs. Thomas Guille, Mrs. George Weeter [Wuter], Mrs. Mildred Lightfoot, and Mrs. Sarah Weeter, sponsors. [She married Henry Tucker].

Mildred Howell Coles was born 15th May 1769. Her sponsors were Mr. Anthony Gordon, Mrs. Isaac Coles, Mrs. Mary Tucker, & Mrs. Mildred Driller. She died 24th of April 1846.

Sarah Coles was born 7th of December 1770. Her sponsors Mrs. Thomas Hope, Mr. Isaac Coles, Miss Elizabeth Lightfoot, and Miss Nancy Hack. She married 1st August 1799 James Bruce and departed this life 21st of May 1806.

John Coles was born Thursday 12th of November 1772. Mr. John & Isaac Coles, Rebecca and Elizabeth Coles were sponsors. He departed this life Sept. 1792.

Walter Coles was born January 25th 1775, his Godfathers were Mr. John & Isaac Coles, his Godmothers Mrs. Mary Tucker and Miss Mary Carington.

Isaac Coles was born January 15th 1777, his sponsors were Mr. John Fontaine, Mr. William & Philip Lightfoot, Mrs. Mildred Lightfoot, Mrs. Clayton and Miss Nancy Carington. He departed this life February 9th, 1814 [Note on side: He married first Elizabeth Lightfoot; 2nd, Catherine Thompson].

William Coles was born Oct. 3, 1779, his Godfathers and Godmothers: Mr. Isaac Coles and Mr. Walker Daniel, Miss Sarah Tucker and Miss Mary Coles.

Walter Coles, Sen' was born in Hanover County the 14th of November 1739 and departed this life the 7th of November 1780.

James Bruce died in Philadelphia the 12th day of May 1837 in the 75th year of his age and was buried in the churchyard attached to St. Andrews.

To the Memory of
James Bruce
of Halifax County, Va.
who was born March 20, 1761
Died March 12, 1837
[Long eulogy follows]
---

Then follows typed copies of Bruce family Bibles and other Bruce papers at the family seat in Halifax County, Va., and in one of these the birth of the above James Bruce is given as 20 March 1762. It thus appears the entries in the Bibles do not agree with the tombstone inscription at St. Andrews, Philadelphia, as copied in this manuscript.

---

BRUCE MANUSCRIPT #2899-a, Alderman Library, University of Virginia, taken from a microfilm thereof being #1225, Alderman Library, U.Va. 1859 by George B. S. King

This was a facsimile, seemingly accurate.

This is a typed scan; original unknown to me.
The Coles Family in Virginia [1931] by W.B. Coles seems to be a very dependable genealogy

Walter Coles — — — — married, 1704 — — — — Alice Philpot

Born near or in Town of Enniscorthy, Co. Wexford, Ireland
He died 1740, will proved in Dublin Ireland

John Coles — — — —— married, 1738 — — — — — — — — — — Mary Ann Winston
c. 1705-16 Oct. 1747
dau Isaac Winston m Mary Dabney

To Virginia; Will proved Henrico; buried St. John's Churchyard

Walter Coles — — — — married 29 Feb. 1767 — — Mildred Lightfoot
Born 11 Feb. 1752
Died 1 May 1799
dau: William Lightfoot & Mildred Howell

Colonel, Colonial Militia — see Coles Family for detail

Mary Coles Mildred Howell Coles
b. 10 Dec. 1767 b. 15 May 1769
d. unm. 1792 d. 24 Apr. 1840
m. Paul Carrington
24 Aug. 1792 Eliz.
14 Oct.

Sarah Coles John Coles Walter Coles Isaac Coles William Coles
D. 21 May 1806 Died Sept. 1792
m. 1 Aug. 1799
James Bruce
b. 20 March 1763

d. 12 May 1837

See pg. 779 for Detail of Bruce

The Virginia Gazette, 19 March 1767 announced the marriage: Mr. Walter Coles of Halifax County to Miss Mildred Lightfoot, daughter of the late Colonel William Lightfoot of Charles City County.

Virginia Gazette and General Advertiser [Richmond] 19 May 1799 said: Died: On May 1st Mrs. Mildred Coles of Halifax County, relict of the late Walter Coles, Esq. in the 48th year of her age. "The remaining children in her have lost a tender affection and provident mother and her friends a valuable acquaintance and patrioness".

TORRENCE lists the following WILLS in HALIFAX COUNTY, VA. Walter (1782); Mary (1793); Walter (1793); Mildred (1799); William (1799)

NB: For the will of Walter Coles (1769-1815) of Hanover County and data not elsewhere on this branch of the family see VA. 125-130.

Excerpts: G.H. S. King
Nov. 19, 1959