Additions and Corrections to, to Hope, to Labor, and to Live.
Elizabeth Brevard b. ca. 1722 m. John Jetton in Maryland. Elizabeth and her husband went with her brothers to what is now Iredell, Co., NC. Children named in John Jetton’s will were: Isaac, Abraham, Lewis, John, Mary, Rachel, and a grandson Zebulon.

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Myrtle Estelle Bryant d. 16 December 1982; Ira Bryant d. 22 July 1989; Paul Mack Bryant d. 15 April 1989

Bret Allen Engels b. 5 June 1989. Son of Larry B. and Cynthia Allen Engels, Atlanta, Georgia.


Leonidas Lee Mack, Jr. d. 30 April 1982 suddenly of heart attack.

James Willis Martin, husband of Lou Anna Mack Martin, d. 20 March 1986. Anna Bateman Mack was buried in the Mack Family Cemetery near Batesville.


Debra Louise Massey m. 30 November 1980 Edward L. Schafer.

Thomas Scott McCool, Jr. b. 18 October 1989 in Houston, TX, son of Laura D. Massey McCool.

James Robert Simmerman m. (2) Darla McDaniel 10 July 1986

Clara Virginia Massey, M.D. m. (2) Dr. Charles Hamm. Their daughter Amanda Jane Hamm was born 30 October 1989.

Stephanie Beth Nail m. 10 December 1982 David Boyce

Christy Marie Nail m. 3 June 1989 Randy Sherrill

Caroline Lee Massey b. 1 May 1987 St. Louis, MO. De Anna Mae Massey b. 28 June 1990 St. Louis, MO. They are daughters of James S. Massey

Hazel Parks Mack d. 30 March 1981. She is buried in Oaklawn Cemetery in Batesville.
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p. 141  George W. KRAMER, Jr. m. 1 August 1982 Jane MOODY. He is a veterinarian. His son Christopher George KRAMER was born 6 October 1987.

p. 143  Floyd Ray LATTING d. 7 May 1982.

p. 146  The second wife of J.W.D.L.F. MACK was buried in Greene Co., MO.

p. 148  Frank Wolford and Henry MACK were born 13 October 1880. Frank W. MACK m. Malinda Elizabeth GEORGE 18 November 1906. He d. 11 September 1964 in Texas.

p. 150  Nathaniel Greene MURPHY, Jr. was another son of Mary"Polly" MACK MURPHY.

p. 152  Catherine DUGGER was the daughter of Thomas & Mary McCONNELL DUGGER. Lucy Ann GILBREATH, wife of Miles Pinckney MURPHY, was the daughter of John & Lucy W. ESTES GILBREATH.

Isiah C. MURPHY, son of Miles P., Jr., b. 9-1877, m. Mary REDDING and had a daughter Louise.

A.E. MURPHY, son of Miles P., Jr., b. 5 January 1881, m. Anis Elizabeth WELLS.

p. 154  William BLAIR, b. ca. 1750 in Ireland m. ca. 1773 Sarah SUTTER in Pennsylvania. They were the parents of Mary "Polly" BLAIR MACK who m. William MACK 2/17 October 1799 in Pittsylvania Co., VA.


William Mack CROSTWAIT m. Mary Elizabeth McBRIDE

John Newton CROSTWAIT, Jr. m. Mary Elizabeth LAVENDER 28 Sept. 1854.

James H.B. CROSTWAIT m. 28 April 1865 Sarah FISHER. She m. (2) ___ WEATHERLY.

America A. CROSTWAIT b. 3 November 1840 m. 25/27 November 1861 Nelson Alexander LAVENDER.

Eliza C. CROSTWAIT b. 10 August 1843 m. (1) John HALL (2) Harrison D. MADISON. She d. 5 October 1913.

Wesley M.Y. CROSTWAIT m. 10 November 1867 Alice Rebecca WALKER.

p. 157  Eli Mack CROSTWAIT d. 15 November 1899 in Iowa.

p. 158  Narcissa J.E. MATTHEWS m. Jasper HORNE

p. 160  Mary E. MACK b. 1848 m. T.H. EMERSON

p. 162  Caroline P. MACK, wife of Beverley D. WALL, d. 8 April 1898
Records from THE BREVARD BIBLE in the Charles A. Cannon Memorial Library, Concord, North Carolina

Information in () from another source.

Robert BREVARD b. 10 January 1718 in Maryland. d. 20 October 1800 (NC)
m. 16 April 1744
Sarah CRAIG b. 22 March 1728 d. 23 January 1807 (NC)

Their Children:

Joel BREVARD b. 20 June 1745 d. March 1781 (In Rev.?)
Margaret BREVARD b. 1 April 1747 d. February 1752
Elizabeth BREVARD b. 29 December 1748 d. 27 August 1831 (TN)
m. (James Polk REESE ca. 1773)
Sarah BREVARD b. 20 April 1751 m. 22 May 1772 (NC) Alexander McLEAN/McCLEIN
Margaret BREVARD b. (17) 12 January 1755 d. (6) 11 September 1790 m. John HUGGINS 12 December 1772, Consent of Robert BREVARD.
Asenath BREVARD b. (16) 26 December 1755 d. (13) 1 June 1790 NC m. James HOUSTON (29 September 1774)
Jane BREVARD b. 6 January 1758 d. ( September 1760)
Lydia BREVARD b. 25 December 1759 d. (30) 6 June 1777
Robert BREVARD b. 18 July 1763 d. (2) 1 January 1847 m. (Nancy HACKETT)
Mary BREVARD b. 22 May 1765 d. (1812) m. James HUGGINS 21 March 1785
Jane BREVARD b. 9 March 1767 d. (6) 2 February 1826 NC m. (John HALL)
Charlotte BREVARD b. 9 December 1769 d.
m. (Samuel JONES ca. 1801)
Prudence BREVARD b. 4 January 1772 d. (21) 1 December 1808 m. Enoch POOR 8 April 1794.
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<td>3. Ernest Russell TIMS, Sr. was a banker with the Security Bank of Harrison for 40 years until his retirement in July 1973, and he continued as Sec. of the Board of Directors until his death. He was a member of the Chamber of Commerce, Rotary Club, Boy Scout Council, and the First United Methodist Church. Maude Marvin LINDSEY TIMS graduated from Gallaway College in June 1924 with a B.A. Degree. She is a member of PEO, the Twentieth Century Club, and the First United Methodist Church of Harrison.</td>
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(Husband's Full Name)  

**WIFE'S MAIDEN NAME** Carolyn Jeannine LOWREY  
**When Born** 21 January 1930  
**Christened**  
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**This Information obtained from**  
Maud Marvin TIMS  
Harrison, AR.  
Ernest R. TIMS, Jr.  
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**Ernest Russell TIMS, Jr. is an engineer and graduated from the Georgia Institute of Technology in 1951. He belongs to TAPPI, ISA, ASME, North Carolina Energy Inst., Engineering Foundation of N.C.**

**Raymond Lindsey TIMS teaches school in Cary, N.C. Karen G. TIMS is a ballet dancer with the Netherlands Dance Theater, The Hague, Holland.**

**The Ernest Russell TIMS family live in Raleigh, North Carolina.**
STATE OF VIRGINIA,
COUNTY OF PRINCE EDWARD, to-wit:

I, Vernon C. Womack, Clerk of the Circuit Court of the County of Prince Edward, the same being a Court of record having a seal, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of the marriage bond issued to John Mack and Sarah Burnett which is filed in my said office.

In testimony whereof, I have hereto set my hand and annexed the seal of the said Court, this 13th day of March, 1972.

Vernon C. Womack, Clerk
By: Dolly R. Noble
Deputy Clerk
Appears on a

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Col. S. Roland  Capt. S. Cason

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greater part of his education in Arkansas, and remained with his parents on the farm until the breaking out of the late Rebellion, when he volunteered as a private in Company G, First Arkansas Infantry, and served until wounded at the battle of Chickamauga, having taken an active part in the battles of Bull Run, Manassas Gap, Murfreesboro, Shiloh, and in various skirmishes. He was honorably discharged in 1864, by reason of disability caused by the wound received at Chickamauga, the ball having penetrated the left eye, and lodging just above the left ear. He remained in the hospital at Marietta, Ga., for about seven months after the battle, and after recovering sufficiently to travel he was discharged, and returned home, which place he reached about the middle of May, 1864. October 28, 1866, he wedded Miss Lucy McCravy, a daughter of John and Pemelia (Newton) McCravy, the former a native of North Carolina, and the latter of Alabama, in which State Mrs. McKee was also born. In 1860 Mrs. McKee came to Arkansas with her married sisters, Mrs. Eliza Kennemur and Mrs. Mary Haney, but her early education was received in her native State. Mr. and Mrs. McKee have two children, Jesse H., who was born on the 21st of September, 1807, and died October 28, 1807, and George F., whose birth occurred on the 13th of December, 1803, he being now the manager of the home farm. Mr. McKee has always lived the life of a farmer, and, although he has been a life-long Democrat, he has never held an office, or aspired to do so. Mrs. McKee and their son, George, are members of the Methodist Episcopal Church, and, although Mr. McKee has never united with a religious denomination, he has always contributed liberally to the support of churches. His uncle, George McKee, held the position of major in the volunteer army throughout the Mexican War.

Y. M. Mack, farmer, Batesville. The subject of this sketch, well and favorably known to a host of acquaintances in this community, is a fair example of what can be accomplished by industry and perseverance. He was born November 15, 1838, his birth occurring in Wayne County, Tenn., and is the son of A. W. and Serene (Hutson) Mack, the father a native of Rockingham County, N. C., and the mother of Maury County, Tenn. The father emigrated to Maury County at an early day, and there met and married Miss Hutson. After residing here for twenty-two years they removed to Wayne County, of the same State, and there remained for another twenty-two years. In the fall of 1854 he came to Independence County, and located four miles northeast of Batesville on what is known as Blue Creek. He bought a tract of land, with about fifty acres under cultivation, 250 acres in all, and there resided until his death, which occurred on the 7th of May, 1876. While living in Tennessee he held a number of minor offices. He was a carpenter by trade, having learned the same in Maury County, Tenn., and followed this for many years. He was born in 1793, and was eighty-three years of age at the time of his death. His great-grandfather was a native of Scotland, and was an early emigrant to North Carolina. Some of the family were soldiers in the Revolutionary War. The mother died August 9, 1814. There were eight children in their family, six daughters and two sons, three now living: Asenath R., wife of John W. Ingalls; Young M. and Victoria A. D. L. J., wife of Whitmill Leggett. Young M. came to Independence County, with his parents, when about sixteen years of age, and here he received the principal part of his education. In 1861 he enlisted in Company H, Division's battalion, and this was consolidated into the Eighth Arkansas at Shiloh, in 1862. He enlisted as a private and was promoted to corporal, sergeant, second, third and first lieutenant, and finally to the rank of a captain. He was at the battle of Perryville, was in all the engagements of the Army of Middle Tennessee, and was in the 120 days' fight during the fall of Atlanta. He was wounded, by a gun-shot, in the right arm, at New Hope Church, was taken to the hospital at Marsa, Ga., and there remained four weeks. He was again disabled at Franklin, Tenn., but not seriously. He was within twenty feet of Clay's tree when that officer was shot. Capt. Mack was captain of Company H, Eighth Arkansas, and served
with great bravery in every office. He went home on an eighty days' furlough, but the war was over when the time expired, and he surrendered at Jacksonport in 1865. They were mustered in with eighty-three men, and at the close there were but twenty-three left. After cessation of hostilities Capt. Mack engaged in agricultural pursuits, and has carried on this calling ever since. When he left the army he did not have a decent suit of clothes. He is now the owner of 300 acres of excellent land, with 160 acres under cultivation. He has a good residence and all outbuildings are in good condition. By his marriage, which occurred in 1874, to Miss Lou Gilbreath, a native of Arkansas, he became the father of six children: Maud M., Minnie P., Leonidas L., Sidney C., Louie D. and Jeff D. Mrs. Mack and two daughters are members of the Methodist Church. He is a member of the Masonic Blue Lodge and Chapter, the K. of H., and the K. & L. of H.
Mack family created business enterprise which remains Batesville area landmark

Editor’s note: This is another article in a series called “Independence Pioneers,” sponsored by the Batesville Guard in recognition of Arkansas’ Sequicentennial. Each article features a short history of an early family who helped build this region. An expanded version of the series will later be published in book form.

By NANCY BRITTON
With MARY P. ENGELS

One of the most familiar landmarks in Independence County is the old Mack Farm, settled by Aquilla Wilson Mack in 1834 and still owned by his descendants. Great-great-granddaughter Julia Massey Nail still lives on the property in a house built by Aquilla’s son about 1887.

The original Mack Farm consisted of some 200 acres lying along Blue Creek and now along Highway 25 near Moorefield. The farm eventually became the sole property of Aquilla’s son, Capt. Young Milton Mack, and later of the site of the Mack Farm Dairy.

This prosperous enterprise was operated by the family for over half a century, first by Capt. Mack’s daughter and son-in-law, Luther E. and Birdie Mack Massey, then by grandson Gene Mack Massey and his wife, Emma J. Baker Massey. The dairy closed in 1979 after 51 years in operation.

Aquilla Mack had been born in North Carolina in 1793, but he had moved to Wayne County, Ten. At the latter place in 1844 his wife, Serene Hutson Wayne, was born. At the latter moved to Maury County, then to Wayne County, Tenn. At the latter place in 1844 his wife, Serene Hutson Wayne, was born. At the latter place in 1844 his wife, Serene Hutson Wayne, was born.

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Blacksburg, Virginia, in 1854, and died in 1876, and her aunt, Lydia, who died in 1872. A number of other Mack descendants and spouses also rest there.

3. Asenath, born in 1836, married John Wesley Engels, whose family was covered in a previous Independence Pioneers article. They have no descendants living in this area today, but their granddaughter, Mary P. Engels of Forrest City, provided much of the material for this article. She published a book, “To Hope, To Labor, and So To Live: Descendants of John Mack,” in 1980. The book is available in the Independence County Library.

4. Young Milton Mack, born in 1838, the only surviving son of Aquilla Mack. He, too, fought for the Confederacy, enrolling in Co. H of the 8th Ark. Volunteer Infantry in 1863. His company saw action in Bragg’s Kentucky campaign, at Murfreesboro, Chickamauga, Missionary Ridge and Franklin, Tenn., among other actions. At Franklin, by then promoted to captain and serving as company commander, Mack was wounded. He was home on furlough when the war ended and surrendered at Jacksonport in 1865.

5. Victoria Ann De La Josephone Mack, the youngest child of Aquilla Mack. She was born in 1841 and married Whitmill Leggett Jr. as his second wife. Four of their children, however, were enjoyed by the local community. The daughter died in 1872.

Capt. Y.M. Mack married Louisa “Louie” Gilbreath after the war. She was the granddaughter of Whitmill Leggett Sr., an early settler in the Mooresfield area. Soon after the marriage Capt. Mack’s father, Aquilla, died, and the captain acquired sole ownership of the Mack farm by buying the shares of two sisters and two nephews.

Capt. Mack and his wife created a prosperous plantation on the farm, raising corn, Angora goats and strawberries, as noted in a 1904 Batesville Guard article. They had seven children: Maud Mack Moore, Minnie Mack Lindsey, Leonidas, Sidney and Jeff D. Mack, Lou Anna “Birdie” Mack Massey and Y.M. Mack Jr.

A number of descendants still live in the area, including Marvin Moore and Ernestine Moore Golf; Virginia Massey Rutherford; Julia Massey Nall and Betty Massey Barnett and their children; Virginia Lee Massey; Sarah Mack Kramer, Peggy Mack Latting and Y.M. Mack III and their families.

Anna Mack Martin, daughter of Leonidas, and her son, James Willis “Jimmy” Martin, and his family live at the Macks community just across the Jackson County line. There Capt. Mack’s sons — Leonidas, Sidney and Jeff D. — established a cotton gin and farmed wide acreages as the Mack Brothers. They pioneered in the use of tractor power in the Oil Trough bottoms, purchasing a Bullock tractor in 1907, perhaps the first tractor for farming in the Oil Trough bottoms.

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in use in that area. Jeff D. Mack operated the Mack Brothers gin there for more than 60 years.

Birdie Mack Massey, daughter of Capt. Mack, died in 1981 at the age of 96. She was residing at the time with her daughter-in-law, Mrs. Gene Mack Massey, within sight of the place where she had been born and lived all her life.

Birdie Massey's other son, Young Mack, called Y.M., married Betty Hall of Batesville and was associated with the Hall Dry Goods Co. until his death in 1972.

Y.M. Mack Jr. married Hazel Parks and made his home at Moorefield until his death in 1960. He held a number of county offices and served as state senator from 1951-57. He was a World War I veteran, a longtime member of the Moorefield Methodist Church and operator of a cotton gin and store at Moorefield. His wife served as postmaster at Moorefield from 1956 until just before that post office was discontinued in 1972. The post office was located in her home.

The first Y.M. Mack gin was in an old wooden building near Blue Creek on the family farm. It was steam operated, burning a mixture of cottonseed and wood. That gin burned in the 1880s but was rebuilt in 1887. It was later moved to Moorefield and housed in a sheet iron building until the existing fieldstone structure was completed in 1942. It contained three stands and the latest equipment; electric power was installed in 1945.

The Moorefield gin ceased operation in 1960, but the building was recently converted into an interesting residence by Dr. Zack Jennings.

A final interesting note about the Mack farm is contained in a clipping from the Newport Daily Independent dated July 30, 1956, shared by Virginia Massey Rutherford. The clipping actually quoted an earlier article from the Batesville Bee of 1896.

Headlined “A Lucky Escape,” the article told of Capt. Y.M. Mack going out one morning to find a stream of sorghum molasses gently gliding from his smokehouse to a nearby fence. Upon investigation, Mack found that a fire Mrs. Mack had built the previous day to smoke some meat had ignited the floor of the smokehouse.

“A barrel of sorghum molasses stood near,” the article stated, “and the fire burned through the staves and let out the molasses and they had effectually quenched the flames. The molasses, in short, had saved the smokehouse.” The smokehouse contained over 2,000 pounds of meat, five barrels of sorghum, a lot of lard and many other things. Since there was no insurance on the smokehouse, Mack was understandably gratified by his good luck.

ASENATH MACK ENGELS — Born in 1836, Asenath Mack married John Wesley Engels, a member of another family of pioneers in this county. Although they have no living descendants here, their granddaughter, Mary P. Engels of Forrest City, has provided much historical data on the family.

Newark board OKs bid, discusses bonds

NEWARK — The Newark School Board Monday night approved a $125,000 bond issue to fund additions and improvements to the high school. The final approval of the bond issue is subject to review by the state Department of Education.

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