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#### First Generation

1. Richard Player [1758], son of Unknown and Unknown, was born about 1684, died in Mar 1724 in Silverton, Devon, UK about age 40, and was buried on Mar 5, 1724.

Richard married **Elizabeth Lee** [1840] [MRIN: 448] on Nov 3, 1708 in Silverton, Devon, UK. Elizabeth was born on Aug 1, 1694 in Silverton, Devon, UK and was baptized on Aug 4, 1694 in Silverton, Devon, UK.

Children from this marriage were:

- 2 F i. Mary Player [1841] was born in Jan 1708 in Silverton, Devon, UK and was baptized on Jan 23, 1708 in Silverton, Devon, UK.
- 3 F ii. **Elizabeth Player** [1842] was born in Jan 1711 in Silverton, Devon, UK, was baptized on Jan 23, 1711 in Silverton, Devon, UK, and died on Dec 14, 1714 in Silverton, Devon, UK at age 3.
- + 4 M iii. **Richard Player** [533] was born in Nov 1713 in Silverton, Devon, UK, was baptized on Nov 22, 1713 in Silverton, Devon, UK, and died about 1754 in NC about age 41.
  - 5 M iv. Thomas Player [1848].
  - 6 M v. **John Player** [2130].
  - 7 M vi. **Joseph Player** [2355].

#### **Second Generation**

**4. Richard Player** [533] (*Richard* <sup>1</sup>) was born in Nov 1713 in Silverton, Devon, UK, was baptized on Nov 22, 1713 in Silverton, Devon, UK, and died about 1754 in NC about age 41.

Richard married **Alice Williams** [534] [MRIN: 142] on Jun 17, 1737 in Silverton, Devon, UK. Alice died in Oct 1765 in Silverton, Devon, UK and was buried on Oct 14, 1765 in Silverton, Devon, UK.

Children from this marriage were:

- + 8 M i. **Richard Player** [1845] was born in May 1738 and was baptized on May 23, 1738 in Silverton, Devon, UK.
- + 9 M ii. **Thomas Player** [532] was born in 1740 in Silverton, Devon, UK and died in 1795 in New Hanover Co., NC at age 55.
- 10 F iii. Mary Player [2384].
- 11 M iv. **John Player** [2460].
- 12 M v. **Joseph Player** [2502].
- 13 F vi. **Alice Player** [2542].
- 14 M vii. Charles Player [3721].

#### **Third Generation**

**8. Richard Player** [1845] (*Richard* <sup>2</sup>, *Richard* <sup>1</sup>) was born in May 1738 and was baptized on May 23, 1738 in Silverton, Devon, UK.

Richard married **Ann Cornish** [1847] [MRIN: 452] on Jun 10, 1761 in St. Stephen, Exeter, Devon, UK. Children from this marriage were:

15 F i. **Anne Player** [1843] was born in Nov 1763 in St. Martin, Exeter, UK and was baptized on Nov 22, 1763 in St. Martin, Exeter, UK.

- 16 M ii. **Joseph Player** [1846] was born in Nov 1775, was baptized on Nov 12, 1775 in St. Martin, Exeter, UK, and died about 1827 in Exeter, UK about age 52.
- **9. Thomas Player** [532] (*Richard* <sup>2</sup>, *Richard* <sup>1</sup>) was born in 1740 in Silverton, Devon, UK and died in 1795 in New Hanover Co., NC at age 55.

Thomas married **Rebecca Williams** [531] [MRIN: 141]. Rebecca was born in 1740 in NC.

Children from this marriage were:

17 M i. **John Player** [541] was born in 1760.

John married **Elizabeth Boney** [542] [MRIN: 144] 01/201795 in Duplin Co., North Carolina.

- + 18 F ii. Hester Jane Player [543] was born in 1780 in NC and died in 1846 in NC at age 66.
- + 19 F iii. **Rebecca Player** [545] was born in 1781.
- + 20 F iv. **Naomi Player** [544] was born in 1782.
- + 21 F v. **Hannah Player** [49] was born in 1783, died in 1816-1826 in Duplin Co., North Carolina <sup>1</sup> at age 33, and was buried in Duplin Co., North Carolina.

Thomas next married **Sarah Edmundson** [1496] [MRIN: 371].

Children from this marriage were:

- + 22 M i. **Thomas Player** [992] was born in 1784 in New Hanover Co., NC and died about 1848 in New Hanover Co., NC about age 64.
  - 23 F ii. **Ann Player** [993] was born in 1785.

Ann married John McCallum [1568] [MRIN: 375].

#### **Fourth Generation**

**18. Hester Jane Player** [543] (*Thomas* <sup>3</sup>, *Richard* <sup>2</sup>, *Richard* <sup>1</sup>) was born in 1780 in NC and died in 1846 in NC at age 66. Another name for Hester was Hetty Jane Houston.

Hester married **George Bannerman** [555] [MRIN: 150], son of **Charles Bannerman** [556] and **Elizabeth Huffham** [557], in 1804. George was born on Feb 18, 1762 and died on Jun 29, 1841 at age 79.

Children from this marriage were:

24 M i. **Charles Bannerman** [558] was born on Jul 16, 1806 and died on Aug 9, 1866 in Leon Co., FL at age 60.

Charles married Elvira Ann Cardin [559] [MRIN: 152] on May 2, 1836 in Leon Co., FL.

25 M ii. **Thomas P. Bannerman** [560] was born on Apr 19, 1809.

Thomas married Mary Kerr [561] [MRIN: 153] in 1830.

26 F iii. **Rebecca Ann Bannerman** [562] was born on Jan 12, 1812.

Rebecca married Alexander Cromartie Jr. [563] [MRIN: 154] in 1830.

**19. Rebecca Player** [545] (*Thomas* <sup>3</sup>, *Richard* <sup>2</sup>, *Richard* <sup>1</sup>) was born in 1781.

Rebecca married **Robert Bannerman** [546] [MRIN: 145], son of **Charles McGregor Bannerman** [4402] and **Elizabeth Huffham** [4403], on Dec 22, 1800 in New Hanover Co., NC. Robert was born in 1752 in Wilmington, New Hanover Co., NC and died on Feb 22, 1843 at age 91.

The child from this marriage was:

27 M i. **John Player Bannerman** [564] was born on Jun 27, 1811 and died on Oct 24, 1887 at age 76.

John married **Eliza Unknown** [565] [MRIN: 155] on Dec 19, 1833 in NC. Eliza was born on Apr 17, 1815.

**20.** Naomi Player [544] (Thomas <sup>3</sup>, Richard <sup>2</sup>, Richard <sup>1</sup>) was born in 1782.

Naomi married **George Washington Bannerman** [547] [MRIN: 146], son of **George Bannerman** [553] and **Phoebe Williams** [554], in 1810. George was born on Apr 15, 1790 and died in 1873 at age 83.

Children from this marriage were:

- Phoebe Williams Bannerman [548] was born in 1821 in NC.
   Phoebe married Colin Shaw [551] [MRIN: 147].
- 29 M ii. George Bannerman [549] was born on Dec 3, 1822 and died on May 18, 1905 at age 82.
  George married Martha C. Unknown [552] [MRIN: 148] in 1845.
- 30 F iii. Martha Bannerman [550] was born in 1812.
- **21. Hannah Player** [49] (*Thomas* <sup>3</sup>, *Richard* <sup>2</sup>, *Richard* <sup>1</sup>) was born in 1783, died in 1816-1826 in Duplin Co., North Carolina <sup>1</sup> at age 33, and was buried in Duplin Co., North Carolina.

Hannah married **Edward E. Houston** [48]<sup>1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6</sup> [MRIN: 14], son of **Edward Houston** [63] and **Mary Miller** [64], in 1805 in New Hanover or Duplin Co., NC. Edward was born on May 31, 1788 in Duplin Co., North Carolina, <sup>1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8</sup> was baptized on Sep 19, 1852, and died before 1880.

Marriage Notes: Hannah Player was unknown - found at Rootsweb.com ID 1537854653 who was shown to have married an unknown Houston. Part of the Bannerman family. A letter from Samuel Player in Hanover Co, NC to Edward "Ned" Houston, in Bienville Parish, LA, dated 8/7/1853, showed the Players, Bannermans and Houstons to be related. In the research notes of Billy Williamson, Sr. he had come to the conclusion that Edward's wife might be a Bannerman. I believe he drew this conclusion from the letter transcribed below. We now know the condolences were for the loss of Edward "Ned"'s 1st wife Winiford Wimberly given the date.

#### Letter to Edward "Ned" Houston from Samuel Player

State of North Carolina, New Hanover County August 1, 1853

Dear cousin I received your letter on the 24th July dated the 4th which gave me great pleasure to hear from you and to hear that you and family were well and hope that this may find you and family enjoying good health and your brother James and family enjoying the same great blessing of Almighty God which is the greatest of all blessings. Myself and family are all in reasonable health at this time. My Mother, Brothers and Sister are all well with slight exceptions. Robert and John Bannerman's and familys are all well the girls is all living and doing pretty well save Hester Jane who died about seven years since. Your old Uncle Robert Bannerman died some twelve months falion (following ????) to the death of Hetty. Lewis Saunders and family were well when I last heard from them. Also cousin Peggy Saunders has bin ded (been dead) some five or six years. Robert T. Bannerman has 9 children six daughters and three sons his oldest daughter was married to A.J. Williams last spring and lives near her Father. John has eight children seven daughters and one son none married. Myself and Rebecca has five children three daughters and two sons living. Martha Jane has five children three daughters and two sons when I heard from her last. She lives on the North West Bladen County some fifty or sixty miles from her brothers and sisters. My Brother Thomas is married and living in Wilmington. Keeps a hotel there he has only one child a daughter. Rebecca A. Lamb my only sister has two children one son and one daughter. My two younger brothers neither of them has ever married both lives with my Mother who is giting quite old and feble. Dear cousin I am sorry to hear of your misfortune in losing your companion in life. I deeply sympathize with you but God's will must be done it tis his to give and his to take and we must comply with his demands for as the Apostle Paul says for me to live is Christ and to die is gain. I am glad to hear that you and your wife were members of Christ

Church. Also your Father and Mother and Brothers for the person is blessed for they that die in the Lord. Dear cousin you state that you had written wonst a year for five years or in other words it grieved you that my Father had bin ded over five years before you herd of his death not withstanding you wrote wonst every year. I asure you that we have never received but one letter from you after my Father's death and that I answered soon after I got it and I have never herd the first silable from you since until you wrote me which I was exceedingly gald to receive. I hope you will not think it was negligence in me or any of us for not writing you sooner for I asure you had we received your letters they would have bin answered you must write to me and tell your Brother James to write to me for it affords me great pleasure to hear from my relations though I never saw them and I hope it may be our happy lot to all meet in Heaven where parting is --?? mose, direct your letters to Bannermans Post Office, N C New Hanover County

Grace be with you mercy and peace from God the Father and from the Lord Jesus Christ is the prayer of your affectionate Cousin Sam Player

I forgot to mention <u>Eliza Ann Cofield</u> your old Uncle Robert Bannerman's oldest daughter. She is a wider and has bin fro the last twenty years She has but one child living a daughter who has bin married some seven or eight years and is the Mother of three children. Her mother lives with her and is doing very well, nothing more save

Yours Affectionately

Sam T. Player

There are other clues to her identity. If you will notice the name of James Lafayette's first daughter - Hannah - named after his mother. Also notice one of Edward "Ned"'s sons named Edward Player - after his father and mother.

Research Notes: 1820 Census Duplin Co., NC shows Edward Houston's household consiting of 2 males under 10 (James Lafayette 4 & Edward "Ned" 7), 1 male 26-45 (Edward E. age 32), 1 male over 45 (Edward), 1 female under 10 (I do not have a record of this child), 1 female 16-26 (This could be Winneford), 2 females between 26 & 45 (Possibly Rebecca and Hannah. This appears to be a combined household with his Edward and Edward E.

1830 Census shows Edward E. Houston household with 2 males under 5 (George Washington 2yrs & John B newborn), 2 males 10-15 (James Lafayette 14), 2 15-20 (Edward Ned 17), 1 20-30 and 1 40-50 (Edward E. 42), 1 female 15-20 and 1 female 20-30 Sally may have had children by a previous marriage?) I have no record of 1 male 10-15, 1 male 15-20, 1 male 20-30, the female with no record re-appears from the 1820 Census female under 10 now shown 16-26.

By 1840 Edward E. has moved from Duplin County, NC to Barbour County, AL.

1840 Barbour Co., AL census shows Edward E. Houston's household to consist of 1 male under 5 (James Thomas 1), 2 males 20-30 (Edward "Ned" 27 & James Lafayette 24), 1 female 5-10 (no record), 1 female 20-30 (Winford Wimberly - Edward "Ned"'s wife). I am guessing the younger sons and wife of Edward E. were left in Duplin Co., NC and sent for at a later date.

Note: See research notes for James Houston: Letter from James Houston to Edward "Ned" Houston in Barbour Co., Alabama from Duplin Co., NC dated March 27, 1843

1850 Barbour Co., AL census shows Edward Houston, Sr.'s household consisting of Edward age 65 b NC, Sarah age 44 b NC, Washington age 22 b NC, John age 20 b NC, William age 18 b AL, Hopkins age 16 b AL, Charles age 14 b AL, Lafayette age 12 b AL, Samuel age 1 b AL.

Note: See research notes for John B. Houston: Letter from J.B. Houston in Barbour Co., AL to Edward "Ned" Houston in Bienville Parish, dated January 3, 1853

Letter from Edward E. Houston, Barbour Co., Alabama to Edward "Ned" Houston, Bienville Parish, Louisiana dated November 6th, 1859

Alabama, Barbour Co., Nov 6th - 59 Dear Son,

I take this opportunity to inform you of events which have happened of late. Our health is good as usual but we have all had a great deal of trouble in consequence of malice of our enemies and you will be astonished to learn that some of them are our near neighbors, Harrall Reeves & David Bush are the cause of our troubles. They provered a bill against myself Washington, John they had Stephen Hopkins (also before the magistrate) for the murder of James Orr. They kept John in jail 6 months. The bill was filed October 21\super st\nosupersub, 1859. Our Trial commenced on Monday the 31\super st\nosupersub of October and continued until Thursday night 2 o'clock and we were acquitted - it cost us about 1500 dollars. Our intention now is to sell and leave the country. Our prosecution and trial has caused a great excitement in the country but we have proved our innocence and made the malice of our enemies clearly appear to their utter confusion and discomfiture. They hung a negro for shooting James Orr. This negro was prompted to involve or implicate us in the crime, by stating in his confession that we were accessory to murder and we believe that David Bush was his prompter - that the negro was incited by him while in prison to impeach us through malicious design - they would have hung us or sent us to the penitentiary if they could, but failing in that they have the gratification of breaking us up with the heavy expense of a lawsuit and ruin our prospects for making a living. Our attorney fees was Eleven hundred dollars, the trial being the firs court. They had five lawyers employed against us in behalf of the state, they were feed by our prosecutors to the amount of 1000 dollars. Harrall Reeves paying 250 dollars for his part - We only had two to defend us. We are determined to leave this country if we can conveniently do so. Although we have so many enemies we have many friends who stood by us in the trying hour- They were mostly people of wealth and high standing in society. We are all at home together once more and all out of law. Our country appears to be infested with a considerable number of abolitionists. Tell James to cut off all communication with his wife's connections here fro they have put his grayheaded father to shame by a false charge of crime and imprisonment. They have also had Washington and Stephen both in jail.

Write soon nothing more at present only Remain your affectionate Father till death.

#### **Edward Houston**

Notes: James Lafayette Houston was married to Nancy Amanda Bush. This is the only reference to Hopkins first name that I have seen- Stephen.

1860 Barbour Co., AL Census shows Edw Houston 79 b NC, Sarah 52 b NC, Geo W 21 b NC, Chas H 22 b AL, G L 21 b AL, Samuel 10 b AL, Sarah 17 b AL, Mary W 15 b AL, Nancy R 12 b AL, Also in household Mary Johnston 90 b NC. Peter Commander, male 21, Hireling (Hired Hand)

1870 Barbour Co., AL Census shows Edward 87. Sarah 46, Washington 42, Samuel 19, Sarah 20, Nancy 16. (Ages do not appear to be as accurate on this census) Charles and George appear as neighbors with their own families in this census.

I do not find Edward E. or Sarah in the 1880 Census - indicating their deaths before 1880.

#### Children from this marriage were:

31 M i. **Edward "Ned" Houston** [35]<sup>9, 10, 11, 12</sup> was born in 1813 in Duplin Co., North Carolina <sup>11, 12</sup> and died on Feb 19, 1883 in Bienville Parish, LA <sup>13</sup> at age 70.

General Notes: The 1850 Census shows the family in Bienville Parish, LA.

Houston, David H. 9 Alabama 289A pg 0286B.txt The Western District

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Edward E. and James Lafayette are still in Alabama. The 1870 Census has every one except Martha living at home out of Jane's children. There is one surprise - it shows a little girl by the name of Lucy age 6 - the same age as George. there is no record in the Family Bible of her birth - I believe this was an error in the census or possibly a cousin rather than a sibling. The only other explanation would be that they called Martha "Lucy" who would have been 16 at the time rather than 6.

Edward married **Winford Wimberly** [36] $^{11}$  [MRIN: 12]. Winford was born in 1817 in GA  $^{11}$  and died on Oct 31, 1852 in Bienville Parish, LA  $^{13, 14}$  at age 35.

Research Notes: 1850 Louisana Census shows Winford Houston, age 33 F, Born in GA, over 20 and cannot read & write

Edward next married **Emily Louise Jane "Jane" Hilbun** [43]<sup>12, 17</sup> [MRIN: 13], daughter of **Frederick Hilbun** [351] and **Nancy Unknown** [106], on Sep 21, 1853 in Bienville Parish, LA. <sup>15, 16</sup> Emily was born on Sep 21, 1830 in AL, <sup>12, 17</sup> died on Feb 1, 1904 in Jonesboro, Louisiana <sup>13</sup> at age 73, and was buried in Jonesboro Cemetery, Jonesboro, Louisiana. Other names for Emily were Eliza Jane Hilbon, and Eliza Jane Hilbun.



Emily Loise Jane Hilbun

General Notes: See photo of Letter to E Houston from EB Hilbun, Jane's brother. Gives names and birthdates of all Jane's siblings. Unfortunately none on parents. The birthdate given for Jane differs from her headstone.

Research Notes: Her brother called her "Eliza Jane"

Letter from E B Hilbun to E Houston Dated November 5, 1885 Transcribed from Original by Sherri L. Schrat

November the 5th /85 Buffalo Gap, Taylor Co, Texas

I am in a hury

Well you wanted all of our Ages ill give them commence at the olds Whitch is

Sarah S	Born	June 13	1816
Andrew J	В "	Jan 19th	1819
Susan O	В "	May 24	1824
Lucy Ann	В "	June 18	1826
E. B.	В "	January 7	1829
Eliza Jane	В "	September 23	1831

This is all of our Mothers children & how many is thair of them that is still A live to Day, I Dont know of Past you & I. If Susan is A living I dont know it & it will not be long before we will be numbered A Mong the Dead. We air giting A long in years. I don't think that my time is long. Ive bin suffering for twenty ods years, goin down all the time. I don't see no

peace at all.

All of my children is about grown, all but Otilia., she is not. Charley, if he had good health he could do or could make a living for him self. I have a little Aulphant boy to rais. He is a smarte boy. He dont not the difference. He says his name aught to be Hilbun. Ive had him 8 years. I think that his peopil is in Winn Parish. Same whair thais name is Avery. His fathers was name W J Avery.

I have not bought land yet. I had Bad luck in seling my land in Robertson. Ill recond it is sale by now. Tomy rote & sent a Deed for me to fix up a few days back. Well as it is Dark & I cant see, Ill close for this time & When I git a Home Ill rite or they again. All of you rite to E B. When I rite I rite to all.

None Exceped E B Hilbun

#### Note by Transcriber:

He wrote this letter to Emily Louise "Eliza Jane" Hilbun Houston, his sister. After the death of her husband Edward "Ned" Houston in 1883, Jane went to live with her son George Lafayette Houston. This letter has great significance in the genealogical records of our family. We have so little information on Jane's parents. The back of the original photo of Jane has written simply the word "Cherokee". If she and her siblings were of mixed blood, "half breed" it wasn't something to brag about in those days. I have found records on her father and other half brothers and sisters by their Father's first marriage. I have found nothing on their Mother. Some genealogies of her family show the first wife as Nancy Bruce and a second wife as Nancy? Marriage to "Indians" in those days were not legally recognized. Many of the Indian women taken in marriage by a White man were baptized and given Christian names. It may be impossible to trace her Mother. I remember as a child my Father telling me we had a Cherokee bloodline, but he couldn't tell me how. It was just an accepted fact in the family. I was happy to find the notation on the picture, but sad to know I may not be able to trace it.

Jane named Stephen Frederick after her Father Frederick Hilbun. She also had an older half brother named Stephen.

I have not been able to find exactly when Jane left Alabama and arrived in Louisiana or who she lived with. I have found that some of her half brothers had migrated to Louisiana by 1850. She may have come to live with one of her siblings.

32 M ii. **James Lafayette Houston** [50]<sup>1, 4, 12, 18</sup> was born on Feb 27, 1816 in Trenton, Duplin Co., North Carolina <sup>1, 4, 12, 18</sup> and died on Oct 8, 1898 in Arcadia, Bienville Parish, Louisiana at age 82.



James Lafayette Houston -<u>Headstone</u> (Oct 8, 1898)

James married **Nancy Amanda Bush** [278]<sup>4, 12, 18</sup> [MRIN: 58], daughter of **Moses Eason Bush Sr.** [281] and **Julia Ann Calhoun** [290], on Nov 9, 1843 in Barbour Co, Alabama. Nancy was born on May 10, 1825 in Barbour Co, AL <sup>4, 12, 18</sup> and died on Jan 1, 1906 in Arcadia, Bienville Parish, Louisiana at age 80.



Nancy Amanda Bush
Houston - Headstone

**22.** Thomas Player [992] (*Thomas* <sup>3</sup>, *Richard* <sup>2</sup>, *Richard* <sup>1</sup>) was born in 1784 in New Hanover Co., NC and died about 1848 in New Hanover Co., NC about age 64.

Research Notes: War of 1812 Service Records Record

THOMAS PLAYER
Name: THOMAS PLAYER

Company: 31 REG'T (1814-15) SOUTH CAROLINA MILITIA.

Rank - Induction: PRIVATE Rank - Discharge: PRIVATE

Roll Box: 166 Roll Exct: 602

Thomas married **Rebecca Judge** [1503] [MRIN: 374]. Rebecca was born in 1786 in NC.

Research Notes: 1850 Census shows her living with two youngest sons. Her age is based on census.

Children from this marriage were:

33 M i. Samuel T. Player [1628] was born in 1812 in New Hanover Co., NC.

Research Notes: Letter to Edward "Ned" Houston from Samuel Player

State of North Carolina, New Hanover County August 1, 1853

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misfortune in losing your companion in life. I deeply sympathize with you but God's will must be done it tis his to give and his to take and we must comply with his demands for as the Apostle Paul says for me to live is Christ and to die is gain. I am glad to hear that you and your wife were members of Christ Church. Also your Father and Mother and Brothers for the person is blessed for they that die in the Lord. Dear cousin you state that you had written wonst a year for five years or in other words it grieved you that my Father had bin ded over five years before you herd of his death not withstanding you wrote wonst every year. I asure you that we have never received but one letter from you after my Father's death and that I answered soon after I got it and I have never herd the first silable from you since until you wrote me which I was exceedingly gald to receive. I hope you will not think it was negligence in me or any of us for not writing you sooner for I asure you had we received your letters they would have bin answered you must write to me and tell your Brother James to write to me for it affords me great pleasure to hear from my relations though I never saw them and I hope it may be our happy lot to all meet in Heaven where parting is --?? mose, direct your letters to Bannermans Post Office, N C New Hanover County

Grace be with you mercy and peace from God the Father and from the Lord Jesus Christ is the prayer of your affectionate Cousin

#### Sam Player

I forgot to mention Eliza Ann Cofield your old Uncle Robert Bannerman's oldest daughter. She is a wider and has bin fro the last twenty years She has but one child living a daughter who has bin married some seven or eight years and is the Mother of three children. Her mother lives with her and is doing very well, nothing more save

Yours Affectionately Sam T. Player

 $1850\ Census\ confirms$  - Childrens names, ages and Sam & Rebecca's ages calculated based on Census

Samuel married **Rebecca Unknown** [536] [MRIN: 143]. Rebecca was born from 1808 to 1810.

34 F ii. **Rebecca Ann Player** [1663] was born in 1828 in New Hanover Co., NC and died in 1902 at age 74.

Research Notes: Names of children and ages calculated from 1850 and 1860 Census. Rebecca's age shown in 1850 was 22, in 1860 she was only 30?

Rebecca married **William Alexander Lamb** [1730] [MRIN: 378] on Mar 26, 1849 in New Hanover Co., NC. William was born on Apr 13, 1819 in Longcreek, New Hanover Co., NC and died on Mar 31, 1873 in Pender, NC at age 53.

- 35 M iii. **Thomas W. Player** [1684] was born in 1815 in New Hanover Co., NC.
  - Thomas married Eliza Unknown [3925] [MRIN: 572].
- 36 M iv. **Richard B. Player** [4049] was born in 1817 in New Hanover Co., NC.
- 37 M v. William Player [4152] was born in 1820 in New Hanover Co., NC.

### **Source Citations**

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- 2. 1790 Census Duplin Co, NC, NARA Film M637-7, Pg 190 (33) and Pg 192.(48)
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- 6. 1870 Census Barbour Co, AL, NARA Film M593-2, Pg 11, Twp 10 Rng 27, Eufaula PO, 3 Aug 1870.
- 7. 1810 Census Duplin Co, NC, NARA Film M252-40, Pg 692, line 3.
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  - 13. Family Bible, Edward and Winford Houston (New Testament published by Jesper Harding, Philadelphia, 1854).
- 14. Letter J B Houston to Ned 3 Jan 1853

Letter dated 3 Jan 1853, Barbour Co, AL from J B Houston to his brother Edward Houston in Bienville Parish, LA.

- 15. Bienville Parish, Marriage Books A & B (21-Sep 1853 Edward HOUSTON to Jane HILLBORN Book A/157 10-Aug 1869 J. D. HOUSTON to Mary BARNES Book B/43 30-Jan 1869 J. T. HOUSTON to Margaret COBB Book B/253).
- 16. Elias B Hilbun (Dated November 5, 1885, in Buffalo Gap, Taylor County, Texas), Letter to Jane Houston from her Brother E B Hilbun. He names "all" the children of "our" mother and gives their dates of birth, which includes Sarah S. 1/13/1816, Andrew J. 1/19/1819, Susan O 5/24/1824, Lucy Ann 6/18/1826, E B 1/7/1829 and Eliza Jane 9/23/1831
  - $17.\ \ 1900\ Census\ Jackson\ Parish,\ LA,\ NARA\ Film\ T623-566,\ Pg\ 24A,\ ED\ 50,\ Police\ Jury\ Ward\ 2.$
  - 18. 1880 Census Bienville Parish, LA, NARA Film T9-448, Pg 541B, ED 6, 1st Ward, 15 Jun 1880.

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