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Dear Dora,

We received your letter, and since I am so busy all the time, I will sit down right now and answer, before I put the letter away and lose it. You are among the many Whitlocks who belong to a preacher family. There were many preachers among that lot. You live fairly close to two wonderful genealogy libraries, and if you haven't been there, you should visit the ones in Dallas and Fort Worth. We have found a great deal of our information in them. We have also made trips to Ohio, Illinois, Virginia and Tennessee to look at the actual places our ancestors came from, and they were certainly fun trips. You mentioned a researcher looking up things for you. We have not used the services of anyone like that, but I did write to the historical society in Kentucky once for some information, but they were not very successful in finding what I wanted. I guess the 1910 censuses are open now, I haven't tried to get into them for a few years. But I did take advantage of it when the 1900 ones were taken out of lock and key.

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We are originally from Illinois. My husband was born in a little town called Dix, in southern Ill. His father was Ora Elsworth Whitlock, and fathered about 13 Whitlocks, we still have the one sister, Dorothy Cicigoi who lives in Sandoval Ill., Ralph is the youngest, he lives near Chicago, if he hasn't already retired and moved to Denver or California, Robert lives in Kansas City Mo., Keith lives in Fort Worth, and Kenneth lives in Iowa. These are full brothers and sisters to Jim. He had a brother Archie, who passed about 5 years ago, and a sister Audie, about 3 years ago, Leroy died in Texas during the first world war, Herbert lives in Illinois, and Amos is in Arizona. Maureen and Harold died as small children. That is all we know of, but his second wife, Jim's mother, suffered some miscarriages and possibly his first wife did the same, but there were 5 who grew to adulthood in the first family, 6 in the second family, and Jim's mother had had two children by her first marriage. Very hard to keep track of all those people.

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Jim's Dad was born about 1871, in the area of Dix, his father was Rufus, born in Tennessee, and his father was Robert Randall, born in Virginia. His father was Thomas W., and was an overseer on a plantation in Virginia before they moved westward. His father was Thomas, who was married 3 times, and he was the product of the first marriage. This takes us back to the marriage of (II) Thomas and Susannah Webb, married in a Quaker ceremony on 12/5/1788. We are not sure beyond this point. Thomas and his brother John were both in Virginia, and we are not sure where they came in here from or if they were born here. We think they are the sons of (I) Thomas and Elizabeth Dupree, the will probated on 6/15/1780, lists John, Thomas, Patty (Mrs. John Arnold), Morning (Mrs. James

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Medley, Temperence (Bartlett), Gillie (Mrs. Thomas Lipscomb and Lucy (Mrs. Amos Worrell).

The son John, of the first Thomas(Eliz. Dupree), married Sarah Wilbourne, daughter of Lewis. Their Children were: Richard, Robert, both died young, Thomas, Sarah, John and Mitchell.

People tended to give the same names to their children as they brothers did, and this causes more confusion.

The brother (II) Thomas, with wife Susannah Webb, had
1. James b. 7/25/1791, d. 10/5/1878, buried Warren Co. Tenn. moved to Illinois before 1818, and then back to Tenn.
2. Thomas William, b. July 1790 d. 9/5/1856 at Rome Township, now Dix Illinois. married Sarah ___ in 1808 in Virginia (He is my husbands ancestor)
Thomas (II) married again, Judith Carter 12/15/1792, and they had : 3. Mitchell, born 1805, and 4. John born 1806, that wife died, he married Sallie Gillehorn 12/28/1807 they had 5. Jackson b. ca. 1808.

2. Thomas William was the overseerer, and came to Statesville Tenn with his family, and came with his brother James, later, in 1835, Mitchell, John and Jackson came with mother Sallie, and settled there, in later years, only Jackson remained, and his great granddaughter, a Mrs Barbee, moved from there to San Antonio in about 1940. Another branch of grandchildren, a Mr. Jennings, lives in Watertown, close by, and we talked with him about 10 years ago, and he filled us in a little about the family.

the children of Thomas William and Sarah were:

- George, moved to Jonesboro Ill.
- Robert Randolph (Randall) great grandfather
- THomas E. moved to Dix, Illinois
- John C. no children, died in Illinois
- Mary, Mrs Henry Arnold, in Illinois
- Betsie, ;Mrs. Brogan, stayed in Tennessee
- Nancy Mrs. Pennywell (Penuell) stayed in Tenn.

Before Robert Randall got to Illinois, he moved around quite a bit, and worked for a time for the postal service in Memphis, and we lost track of him, but found he had moved to Todd County Kentucky and is there in the 1850 census. He may have gone to northern Tennessee, to a town called Whitlock to be with some distant cousins, Charles and his sons Hardin and Baldwin, who lived in Henry Co. Tenn. This place Todd Co. is just about directly north of there.

Robert Randall married Frances Beadles and their children were:

- George
- Lycurgus
- Charles C
- Rufus Doak (grandfather)

Angeline
Foster Smith
Ann
Lucinda
Periander (Pete)
Leonidas (Lee)

Rufus Doak married Rebecca Hawkins, and had one son before his early death.

Ora Elsworth Whitlock was the remaining son.

Now that I have bored you to death with Jim's line, let me assure you that I have lists of Whitlocks from New York to Barbados, The Carolinas, Virginia, Tennessee, Texas, Illinois, and Some from Indiana.

But as you can see, our lines go back more to the Civil War and before, Because Jims dad was born 1871, and we knew who grandfather and great grandfather were.

I will peruse these records a little more and see if I have anything on the Asure Burt that you have.

If you would try the Soundex at the Dallas Library, you might come up with someone in the same area that you are looking for, with the last name redmon, redman, redmond, redmont, etc. They have a soundex for 1900, and I think they have it for most of the states. They also have good lists of marriages., he would have married first about 1898.

By the way, it was not at all unusual to name a girl child after the dead first wife. Surname and all.

Good hunting, we've sure had a lot of fun at this, and now that we are getting too old to travel the country looking like we used to, we have sort of tapered off. But I guess I will have to keep on the current census things for my Grandfather, to try to track down his father. I have some lines clear back to England in the 1500's, and I know my great grandfather died before 1880, and married in 1853, but he just plain disappeared when census takers came round, he was probably an illegal from Ireland, and didn't want to be found. I've even been to Ohio to see what I can find, and he eludes me. It is my family name, and my mothers side, I can trace back to New York when they first came in. Tough going some times.

Lots of Luck,

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