

## SECTION II - MANUSCRIPT

## ROBERT PALMATARY OF DUCK CREEK DELAWARE

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ROBERT PALMATARY of Duck Creek Hundred, Delaware, is the earliest Palmatary on record in Delaware State Archives. On 6 Jan 1680, a tract of land was surveyed for him on a warrant from Hoomkill (Lewes) Court. This tract, containing five hundred acres, was located on the south side of Duck Creek in what is now Kent County, Delaware, and he named it, "Robert's Chance." (Delaware State Archives [hereinafter DSA] Warrants & Surveys, Kent County [hereinafter KC] Vol.P3, p.25).

Where did Robert Palmatary come from? On or before 27 Jan 1679, he was one of eight persons transported from the Colony of Virginia to the Province of Maryland. (Maryland State Archives [hereinafter MSA] Land Office {patents} WC#2, p.68). When and where he was born, when and where he married, the surname of his wife, ELLINOR, and where their first child was born are all unknown. What is certain is that Robert did stake out a claim in the wilderness that would one day become the State of Delaware. There is no doubt that he was a man of courage and physically strong enough to clear his land, build a house, provide for his family and start a dynasty of Palmatarys in the New World.

On 26 Mar 1684, Robert Palmatary was granted his five hundred acres by WILLIAM PENN for a quitrent of one bushel of wheat per hundred acres per year. (DSA Patents R6 2555, p.2). At that time, his land was located in the territories of the Province of Pennsylvania.

A copy of Robert's will (DSA Wills Vol. A38, p.205) was made evidently when the original was in a state of deterioration and the date already obliterated. However, a later document concerning his land stated the date of his will to be 20 Nov 1691 (DSA, KC Deeds Vol. C-1, p. 195,196). He was survived by his four children, and his wife, JOANNA, presumed to have been his second wife. He directed that his land be divided among his four children after the death of Joanna.

Children of Robert<sup>1</sup> & Ellinor, surname *Pulmatary*:(DSA Marriage Record Vol.87, p.172.2)

2.
  - i. ROBERT<sup>2</sup>, b. 3 Jul 1676; m. ELIZABETH \_\_\_\_\_
  - ii. ELLINOR, b. 15 Nov 1679. d. Kent Co., DE before 1732; m. RICHARD DAWSON; no children of their own; Ellinor became stepmother to Richard's 5 children, whose descendants inherited her part of "Robert's Chance"
  - iii. JOHN, b. 9 Sep 1681; thought to have given his share of "Robert's Chance" to his married sister, Susannah
  - iv. SUSANNAH, b.31 Jul 1684; prob. m. WALTER JOHNSON

2. ROBERT<sup>2</sup> PALMATARY (*Robert<sup>1</sup>*) was born at Duck Creek Hundred, Kent County, Delaware on 3 Jul 1676 ; he died there by 23 Nov 1748. He had written his will (DSA Wills Vol.38, p.206,207) on 9 Nov 1748; it was probated 23 Nov 1748. He married, probably at Duck

Creek Hundred, date unknown, ELIZABETH, maiden name and dates unknown.

Robert was three years old when his father staked out a claim to five hundred acres in what is now Kent County, Delaware. Robert spent the rest of his life on this land, at first just watching and later helping his father farm it. At sixteen, Robert was the oldest of four when his father died, and the burden of helping his mother run the farm fell to him. He married another pioneer's daughter, ELIZABETH. Together they raised six children in the wilderness, far from stores, schools and doctors. The names of those children are taken from his will. What little that is known about Robert comes mostly from his will, and Kent County tax records (DSA Tax lists, K Co., 1726-1748). Robert left the 125 acres of "Robert's Chance" he had inherited from his father to his wife and, at her death, to be equally and peaceably divided between his three sons. He specified they were not to sell it except to each other. [author's note: that word "peaceably" speaks volumes.]

Children of Robert<sup>2</sup> & Elizabeth, all born Kent Co., DE, surname *Palmatary*:

- i. SUSANNAH<sup>3</sup> b. abt. 1705; m. JOHN THOMPSON
- ii. GRACE, b. abt. 1708
- iii. ROBERT, b. abt. 1715, d. Kent Co., DE, Nov 1781; m. \_\_\_\_, 1 son
3. iv. JOHN, b. abt. 1720; m. MARGARET \_\_\_\_
- v. ELIZABETH, b. abt. 1724, d. Kent Co., DE, 15 Nov 1814; m. JAMES SEVERSON, 6 children
- vi. ALLEN, b. abt. 1726, d. Kent Co., DE, abt. 1780; m. SARAH SEVERSON, 1 son

3. JOHN<sup>3</sup> PALMATARY (*Robert<sup>2</sup>, Robert<sup>1</sup>*) was born on his father's farm at Duck Creek Hundred, Kent County, Delaware, about 1720. He died there 24 Oct 1772 (DSA, KC Will Book L, p.120). He married, probably at Duck Creek Hundred, date unknown, MARGARET, maiden name and dates unknown.

His father had left the 125-acre tract to John and his two brothers. John lived on and farmed the land all his life. On 13 August 1865, his brother Robert sold John his share of the land for 42 pounds, 10 shillings. (DSA, KC Recorder of Deeds, [hereinafter KC Deeds] Vol. R., p. 46). On the same day, the youngest brother, Allen Palmatary, sold to Robert his share of the land for 40 pounds. (DSA, KC Deeds Vol. I, p.1).

John Palmatary died without a will, leaving five minor sons. His brother-in-law, JAMES SEVERSON, was named guardian of the four youngest (DSA KC Orphans Court [hereinafter KC Orphans] Book B, pp.193,194, 203,204). The oldest son was allowed to choose a different guardian because he was over fourteen but under twenty-one. He chose JOHN DAVID (DSA KC Orphans Book B, p.215).

John's widow, MARGARET, and his brother-in-law, James Severson, were named administrators of his estate. (DSA, KC Wills Book L, p. 120). John's inventory totaled over 230 pounds sterling. He was a prosperous farmer. Margaret was evidently John's second wife. This

was deduced by the fact that John's inventory included his "deceased wife's apparel." (DSA KC Probate, 1772-1774). His land was divided up among his widow and sons. Sons John and James sold their shares to JOHN HARWOOD. Son Allen sold his share to BENJAMIN VANWINKLE. Son William sold his to JOHN TRUAX. Only son Robert held on to his share of the land, a little over sixteen acres of the original land grant, "Robert's Chance."

Children of John<sup>3</sup> & Margaret, all born Kent Co., DE, surname *Palmatary*:

- i. JOHN<sup>4</sup> b. abt.1755, d. Kent Co., DE, 1800; m. ANN LEWIS, 1 son
- 4. ii. ROBERT, b. abt.1757; m. TAMSY \_\_\_\_\_
- iii. JAMES, b. abt. 1761, d. Howard Co., MO, 21 Apr 1828; m. JEAN MACY, 8 children
- iv. WILLIAM, b. abt. 1763
- v. ALLEN, b abt. 1767, d. Baltimore, MD, 16 Dec 1844; m. MARY \_\_\_\_\_, 1 son

4. ROBERT<sup>4</sup> PALMATARY (*John<sup>3</sup>, Robert<sup>2</sup>, Robert<sup>1</sup>*) was born at home on his father's farm, Duck Creek Hundred, Kent County, Delaware, about 1757. He died there 19 Feb 1790 (DSA, KC Administration Account [hereinafter Admin.] Vol. A38, p.208). He married, probably at Duck Creek Hundred, about 1776 TAMSY, maiden name unknown. She was born about 1755 and died about 1815.

Like his father, Robert died intestate, leaving a widow and minor children. Tamsy was named his administratrix (DSA, KC Administration Bond, Book M, p.223). An inventory of his goods and chattels, made 3 March 1790, totaled over 293 pounds sterling. (DSA, KC Probate, 1790-1792). Robert was a farmer who raised wheat, corn and flax. His livestock included twenty-four head of cattle, six horses, a pair of oxen, fifteen hogs and nine sheep. He also owned a loom and tackling, a linen wheel, wooling wheel and cards, wooling yarn, tow and flax thread, all indicating that Robert was also a weaver.

Tamsy had married another farmer, BENJAMIN VANWINKLE by 29 May 1792, when together they filed an administration account of Robert's estate. (DSA, KC Admin. Vol. A38, p.208). They raised Robert's three sons and lived in Duck Creek Neck. Tamsy was presumed to have died about 1815 because her husband, Benjamin VanWinkle, had remarried by 1817 (DSA, KC Deeds Book R2, p.380).

Children of Robert<sup>4</sup> & Tamsy, all born Kent Co., DE, surname *Palmatary* (DSA, KC Orphans Book E, P.97,98):

- 5. i. JOHN<sup>5</sup>, b.23 Aug 1778; m.(1) ELIZABETH \_\_\_\_\_, (2) RUTH MANLOVE HAZEL
- ii. JAMES, b. abt.1780, d. at Kent Co., DE, 17 Mar 1849; m. SARAH \_\_\_\_\_; 12 children
- iii. WILLIAM, b .abt.1782, d. at Kent Co., DE, abt.1841; m. DEBORAH \_\_\_\_\_; 2 sons

5. JOHN<sup>5</sup> PALMATARY (*Robert<sup>4</sup>, John<sup>3</sup>, Robert<sup>2</sup>, Robert<sup>1</sup>*) was born on his father's farm at Duck Creek Hundred, Kent County, Delaware on 23 August 1778. He died at another location in Duck Creek Hundred on 7 August 1844 (Mother's Declaration for Pension, National Archives &

Records Administration, Washington, DC [hereinafter NARA] 6 August 1865). He married first at Kent County in 1804 ELIZABETH, maiden name unknown. She was born 14 July 1783, died at Kent County 26 November 1837 (family Bible owned by grandson HARVEY VOSHELL PALMATARY [hereinafter Bible, Harvey]). He married second at Raymond's Neck, Kent County, 27 June 1839 Mrs. RUTH MANLOVE HAZEL, widow of JAMES HAZEL. She was the daughter of MORGAN & REBECCA (MANLOVE) HAZEL (Bible, Harvey). She was born at Raymond's Neck 29 March 1807 and died probably at Moorton Station, Delaware, 31 Jan 1875.

After his father died, John and his two younger brothers were raised by their mother and her second husband, Benjamin VanWinkle. Although there were few schools in the area, John somehow learned to read and write. He recorded the names and birthdates of himself, his children, his wives and his marriage dates in his own Bible (Bible, Harvey). The only thing he didn't include was the maiden name of his first wife, Elizabeth.

Little is known of Elizabeth, or where she and John raised their three sons. In 1828, they were living on a 232-acre farm in Raymond's Neck, Kent County, which John rented (DSA, KC Tax Assessment Lists Reel #18, 1828). He and his two brothers had sold a 133-acre tract of land, which they had inherited from their father, to their step-father, Benjamin Van Winkle (DSA, KC Deeds Book M 2, p.169). This may or may not have been part of the original "Robert's Chance."

After John's three sons had married and left home, and two years after Elizabeth died, John married Mrs. Ruth Manlove Hazel. John fathered two sons by Ruth, one when he was sixty-two and one when he was sixty-four. He died at age sixty-six with dropsy, at the rented farm in Raymond's Neck, Duck Creek Hundred.

John died without a will and his widow relinquished her right to administer his estate in favor of her step-son, JOHN THOMAS<sup>6</sup> PALMATARY (DSA, KC Probate, 1844-1845). The court appointed appraisers returned the inventory 23 December 1844 (DSA, KC Inventories, Reel 1, Item #125). The estate of John<sup>5</sup> was valued at \$1,315.45. Two days later, an auction sale was held and his possessions were sold for \$1,468.00. However, after his expenses and debts were paid, there was a deficit of \$58.30, because he still owed on five old judgement bonds. (DSA, KC Admin. Vol. A38, p.203,204).

Much can be learned about a man from his possessions. John owned the usual farm equipment and his livestock included six horses, two oxen, twenty-nine head of cattle, seventeen hogs and thirty-two sheep. His crops, most still in the field, were wheat, corn, oats and flax. There is no doubt he was a farmer. But he also owned two spinning wheels, one woolen wheel and tackle, and a loom, tackle and wheel. In the upstairs bedroom, there were over thirty pounds of wool and some carpet filling. In one downstairs room, he had fifty-six yards of different grades of carpet. He also owned an ample supply of blankets and woven bedspreads. It would seem that John raised sheep for wool and flax for linen, and that during the long winter months, he wove carpet for sale, and perhaps blankets and bedspreads too.

Children of John<sup>5</sup> & Elizabeth, all born Kent Co., DE, surname *Palmatary*:

6.
  - i. JOHN THOMAS<sup>6</sup> b. 3 Dec 1810; m. LYDIA NAOMI COVINGTON
  - ii. JAMES T., b.27 Nov 1813, d. abt.1869; m. SUSAN BEAUCHAMP; 5 children
  - iii. ROBERT, b.3 May 1816, d. Clayton, DE 8 Feb 1969; m. ADELINE COVINGTON; 11 children

Children of John<sup>5</sup> & Ruth, both born Kent Co., DE, surname *Palmatary*:

- iv. MANLOVE HARRISON, b.23 Sep 1840, d. at Dover, DE 7 May 1921; m. MELVINA VOSHELL; 7 children
- v. WILLIAM H. b.10 Sep 1842, d. at Petersburg, VA 15 Jan 1865; unmarried

6. JOHN THOMAS<sup>6</sup> PALMATARY (*John<sup>5</sup>, Robert<sup>4</sup>, John<sup>3</sup>, Robert<sup>2</sup>, Robert<sup>1</sup>*) was born at Duck Creek Hundred, Kent County, Delaware 3 December 1810; he died in Maryland, on 27 March 1890, and was buried at Hillsboro, Caroline County, Maryland (granddaughter LYDIA WILSON BROWN letter, dated 20 Jan 1927, [hereinafter Brown 1927] personal collection of author [hereinafter pers.coll.]) He married at Kent County, Delaware on 25 February 1831 (DSA, KC Marriages Vol.28, p.207) LYDIA NAOMI COVINGTON, daughter of JOHN and SARAH MASTIN COVINGTON (DSA, KC Probate, Vol.A34, p.26). She was born at Kent County, Delaware 14 March 1812; died in Maryland 23 November 1900 and was buried next to her husband at Hillsboro, Caroline County, Maryland (Brown, 1927).

John and Lydia set up housekeeping in Duck Creek Hundred where their first four children were born. John was a farmer. In May 1844, he served as tax assessor for Duck Creek Hundred (DSA, KC Assessments, Duck Cr. Hd., Reel #25). The following August, John's father died intestate and John was appointed his administrator (DSA, KC Probate, 1844-1845). Shortly after the estate was settled, John and Lydia moved to Kent County, Maryland. There the last three children were born. The U.S. Census of 1850 lists John as a farmer in Kent County, Maryland, with real estate valued at \$5,000.00.

At the time of the Civil War, John and family were living on a farm about twelve miles outside Petersburg, Virginia, where they were burned out by Northern troops (Brown 1927). By 1880, they were living in Baltimore and John worked as a commission merchant (U.S. Census, Baltimore, MD)

Children of John Thomas<sup>6</sup> & Lydia, surname *Palmatary*:

- i. SARAH ELIZABETH<sup>7</sup>, b. Kent Co. DE, 13 Mar 1833; d. Baltimore, MD, 16 Jan 1899; m. JESSE WILSON; 5 children
- ii. MARY JANE, b. Kent Co., DE, 10 Oct 1836; m. \_\_\_\_\_ MITCHELL; 2 sons
- iii. ANN E., b. Kent Co., DE, 13 May 1839; unmarried
- iv. JOHN WESLEY, b. Kent Co., DE, 15 Jan 1843; d. Richmond, VA, 1 Feb 1865; unmarried

7. v. BENJAMIN FRANKLIN, b. Kent Co., MD, 9 Nov 1845; m. ROSA LAURA BELKNAP
- vi. FREDERICK R., b. Kent Co., MD, 10 Nov 1847; d. Richmond, VA, abt. 1884; m. MARY E. SUTER; 5 children
- vii. WILLIAM CHARLES, b. Kent Co., MD, 30 Oct 1849; d. Church Hill, Queen Annes Co., MD, 22 May 1918; m. Church Hill, MD 2 Feb 1874 SALLIE G. HURLOCK; one son, died in infancy

7. BENJAMIN FRANKLIN<sup>7</sup> PALMATARY (*John Thomas<sup>6</sup>, John<sup>5</sup>, Robert<sup>4</sup>, John<sup>3</sup>, Robert<sup>2</sup>, Robert<sup>1</sup>*) was born at Still Pond, Kent County, Maryland on 9 November 1845; he died near Centreville, Queen Annes County, Maryland on 18 August 1900 and was buried in Centreville Cemetery (Obituary, Smyrna Times, Smyrna Delaware, 12 September 1900). "Frank" had an early marriage; the date and the name of his wife are unknown. They had one son, JESSE, and Frank's wife died soon after. Frank's mother took in Jesse, who died at age three. (Brown, 1927). He married, second, at Richmond, Virginia on 18 May 1869 ROSA LAURA BELKNAP, who was born 3 Jul 1849, died Oct 1927 and was buried in Centreville. (Rosa's place of birth and death is unknown. After Frank died, she married PARROT SPARKS (Brown, 1927).

As a child, Frank moved with his family to a farm near Petersburg, Virginia. In 1863, at age eighteen, Frank enlisted in the Virginia Infantry and fought with the South in the Civil War. A sergeant in Co.B, 44<sup>th</sup> Battalion, he was captured at Petersburg 2 April 1865, and released along with other prisoners 20 April 1865, by Order of the Secretary of War (Veterans Records, NARA).

Frank was a farmer in Prince George County, Virginia, when he married Rosa. There their first five children were born. Around 1877, the family moved to a farm near Centreville, Queen Annes County, Maryland and the last three children were born there (pers.coll.).

Children of Benjamin Franklin<sup>7</sup> & Rosa (Belknap), surname *Palmatory*:

- i. JESSE FRANKLIN<sup>8</sup>, b. Prince George Co., VA, 11 Apr 1870, d. Queen Annes Co., MD, 2 Jan 1927; m. Queen Annes Co., MD, 11 Sep 1896 CASSANDRA VIRGINIA PRICE; 4 children
- ii. AMBLER CLIFTON, b. Prince George Co., VA, 22 Aug 1871, d. Philadelphia, PA 13 Nov 1922; m. Philadelphia, PA, SUELLA TAIT; 1 daughter
- iii. ANNIE ROSALIE, b. Prince George Co., VA, 18 Mar 1873, d. Queen Annes Co., MD, 22 Nov 1953; m. 1905 WILLIAM MILES DEAN; no children
- iv. JAMES NELSON, b. Prince George Co., VA 10 Jul 1874, d. Queen Annes Co., MD, 1911; m. BERTHA CROSS MITCHELL; no children
- v. HARVEY GRAHAM, b. Richmond, VA 14 Oct 1876, d. Easton, Talbot Co., MD 24 Jun 1953; m. Portsmouth, VA 31 Dec 1901 CLARA ESTELLE JONES; 7 children
8. vi. WILLIAM EDWARD, b. 28 Aug 1878, m. ELPHONSO W. THAWLEY
- vii. ELIZABETH BELKNAP, b. Queen Annes Co., MD 28 Jul 1880, d. Dover, DE, 24 Nov 1959; m. Ingleside, Queen Annes Co., MD 22 Nov 1905 STUART MONTGOMERY WALRAVEN; 2 children
- viii. BENJAMIN ARTHUR, b. Queen Annes Co., MD 6 Sep 1882, d. Queen Annes Co., MD 25 Aug 1883

8. WILLIAM EDWARD<sup>8</sup> PALMATARY (*Benjamin Franklin<sup>7</sup>, John Thomas<sup>6</sup>, John<sup>5</sup>, Robert<sup>4</sup>, John<sup>3</sup>, Robert<sup>2</sup>, Robert<sup>1</sup>*) was born at Rosedale, Queen Annes County, Maryland on 28 August 1878. He died at Ridgely, Queen Annes County, Maryland on 29 March 1967 and was buried in Ridgely Cemetery (Obituary, Evening Journal, Wilmington, DE, April 14, 1967). He married, at Queen Annes County, Maryland 11 June 1901 (MSA, Queen Annes County Marriages 1886-1908) ELPHONSO W. THAWLEY, daughter of ALEXANDER & FANNIE (STOREY) THAWLEY. She was born at Chestertown, Maryland on 20 October 1882, died at Ridgely 11 May 1970 and was buried in Ridgely Cemetery (Obituary, Evening Journal May 11 1970). Popularly known as Bill and Phonzie, they lived on several different farms in Queen Annes County while their children were growing up. Later they moved to Cecil County and lived on two other farms. When Bill gave up farming, they moved into Calvert and then to Cecilton. After that they moved back to Queen Annes County and spent the rest of their lives in Ridgely.

Besides raising three boys and three girls of their own, Bill and Phonzie adopted three other girls, PATRICIA, MARTHA and FRANCES, the last one said to have been dropped at their lane gate as a baby. "Bill and his wife Phonzie are the ones that I really loved for they were real people....that is where I had so much fun when a boy and mother sent me down on the farm during the summer." (Second cousin ROY PALMATARY letter, 1970, pers.coll.).

Children of William Edward<sup>8</sup> & Elphonso (Thawley), surname *Palmatary*:

9. i. AARON FRANKLIN<sup>9</sup>, b. Browns Corner, MD, 20 Oct 1901, m. MARY MADELINE PAYNE
- ii. WILLIAM E., JR, b. Ingleside, Queen Annes Co., MD, 24 Feb 1903, d. Chestertown, MD, 26 Feb 1977; m. Harrington, Kent Co., DE 23 Apr 1932 AMY ELLEN HOPKINS; one son
- iii. LYDIA NAOMI, b. Roberts, Queen Annes Co., MD, 17 Jul 1905, d. Denton, Caroline Co., MD, 21 Jan 1996; m. Ingleside, MD, 22 Jan 1925 ROLAND FREDERICK CARTWRIGHT; 2 daughters
- iv. ADDIE CHRISTINE, b. Queen Annes Co., MD, 24 Jun 1906, d. Kent Co., MD 16 Apr 1982; m. Fairlee, Kent Co., MD, 14 Mar 1925 LEMUEL CROSLEY KINNAMON; 6 children
- v. EDITH MARION, b. Queen Annes Co., MD, 28 Jun 1909, d. Easton, Talbot Co., MD, 15 Jun 1995; m. THOMAS LEMUEL ROBINSON; 6 children
- vi. IRA NELSON, b. Ingleside, MD, 22 Aug 1910, d. Fairville, Chester Co., PA, 19 Mar 1949; m. Greensboro, Queen Annes Co., MD, 14 Apr 1934 EDNA RUTH EATON; 2 children

9. AARON FRANKLIN<sup>9</sup> PALMATARY (*William Edward<sup>8</sup>, Benjamin Franklin<sup>7</sup>, John Thomas<sup>6</sup>, John<sup>5</sup>, Robert<sup>4</sup>, John<sup>3</sup>, Robert<sup>2</sup>, Robert<sup>1</sup>*) was born at Browns Corner, Queen Annes County, Maryland, on 20 October 1901. He died at Fairville, Chester County, Pennsylvania 7 April 1979 and was buried in Longwood Cemetery, Longwood, Pennsylvania. He married at Rock Hall, Maryland, 19 April 1930 MARY MADELINE PAYNE, daughter of ISAAC & EFFA CATHERINE (FILLINGAME) PALMATARY. She was born at Chesapeake City, Cecil County,

Maryland, 8 August 1907 and died at Kennett Square, Pennsylvania 4 August 1986. Madeline was buried beside Aaron (pers.coll.).

At first it looked as though Aaron was not going to follow in his father's footsteps. He left home at age eighteen for the big city of Wilmington, where he worked as a trolley car conductor for a while, then for another company in Newport, Delaware. But in 1924, Aaron was hired by PHILIP DUPONT to manage his 320-acre sheep farm in Fairville, Chester County, Pennsylvania, near the Delaware state line. He spent the rest of his life on this farm. When he married Madeline, he took her home to the farm to start their life together. The first of their twelve children was born at Madeline's parents' farm in Fairhill, Cecil County, Maryland. The next eight babies were born at home on the farm. The last three were born in a hospital in Wilmington.

Aaron was a hardworking man and provided his family with plenty of milk eggs, chickens, turkeys and garden produce. When the children were older, he raised steers so there was beef to help feed the family. Every spring, Aaron would shear not only his own sheep, but those from many other farms in Pennsylvania and Delaware, and the family never lacked for good wool blankets. During World War II, he also raised a wheat crop. After the deaths of both Mr. And Mrs. DUPONT, Aaron continued running the farm for their daughter, Mrs. HARRY W. LUNGER.

The whole family attended Lower Brandywine Presbyterian Church. The children went to elementary school in Chadds Ford and, incredibly, all twelve had the same fourth grade teacher. It is a credit to both Madeline and Aaron that all of their children graduated from high school and have taken their places in the world as responsible, self-supporting citizens.

Children of Aaron Franklin<sup>9</sup> & Madeline (Payne), surname *Palmatary*:

- i. DONALD EVERETT<sup>10</sup>, b.Fairhill, Cecil Co., MD, 7 Dec 1930; m. Marshallton, New Castle Co., DE, 17 May 1952 JEAN MARIE STEWART; one son
- ii. DORRIS JEANNETTE, b.Fairville, Chester Co., PA, 15 Sep 1932; m. Wilmington, DE, 15 May 1954 JOHN ROBERTSON MUNRO; 2 children
- iii. AARON FRANKLIN, JR., b.Fairville, Chester Co., PA, 16 Feb 1934; m. Louisville, KY, 15 Oct 1960 MARLENE MARIE RICE; 2 daughters
- iv. MADELINE ELAINE, b. Fairville, Chester Co., PA, 12 Jul 1937; m.(1) Centerville, New Castle Co., DE, 5 Sep 1959 JAMES EDWARD HOLBROOK; 3 children; m.(2) South Bend, IN, 30 Sep 1989 ELIOT ARNOLD SMITH; no children
- v. RICHARD PAYNE, b. Fairville, Chester Co., PA, 21 Jun 1938; unmarried
- vi. HARVEY ISAAC, b. Fairville, Chester Co., PA, 15 Jul 1939; m.(1) Wilmington, DE, 4 Mar 1962 MARGARET RAMSEY; 3 children; m.(2) Wilmington, DE, 9 Sep 1988 BONNIE LYNN HOEY; no children
- vii. ROBERT HARRY, b. Fairville, Chester Co., PA, 30 Jan 1941; m.(1) Hockessin, New Castle Co., DE, 7 May 1960 CAROLYN WALLS; one son; m.(2) Harris Co., TX, 20 Oct 1979 DEBRA DENICE NEELY; one daughter; m.(3) Houston, TX 18 Jul 1988



- PRISCILLA MAY THEDFORD; no children
- viii. SARA JANE (twin), b. Fairville, Chester Co., PA , 21 Oct 1942; m. Centerville, New Castle Co., DE, 1 Jul 1961 VANCE BERNARD PENNINGTON; one son
- ix. EARL DUANE (twin), b. Fairville, Chester Co., PA, 21 Oct 1942; m. Kennett Square, Chester Co., PA, 27 Jan 1964 CAROLYN BECKER; no children
- x. EFFA CATHERINE, b. Wilmington, DE, 28 Feb 1944; m.(1) Newark, New Castle Co., DE, 18 Feb 1978 ERNEST BEAZLEY; no children; m.(2) Linwood, Delaware Co., PA, 9 Mar 1991 JOHN J. PARKINSON; no children
- xi. ALICE GLADYS, b. Wilmington, DE, 6 Nov 1946; m. Elkton, Cecil Co., MD 2 Jan 1965 BAYARD LEWIS TAYLOR III; 3 children
- xii. FRANCES JO ANN, b. Wilmington, DE, 6 Aug 1950; m. Centerville, New Castle Co., DE, 20 Jun 1970 WILLIAM EUGENE BORROR, JR.: 3 children



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