

Franklin, Ind:

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Dear Cousin:

I am very pleased with the research you have done on the Sevierville branch of the family. Thank you very much for sending the material.

So far I have done little research. I think I am acting as compiler. Older members of the family around here have been interested in family history for about 50 years but no one seemed to get it down in a usable permanent form. I do not know the sources of some of their information. I suspect that some of it was handed down by mouth from generation to generation. Oh, I know they used Bible records for some of it; and some years ago there were attempts to hold National Mullendore Reunions, here in Indiana.

I am enclosing a carbond copy(not very good either but I though you might be able to read it, and it would save me time) of the Will of one Jacob Mullendore. I am also sending my personal explanation of the German ancestry of the family.

I am glad to know when Abraham Mullendore was born. To help keep the different generations straight in my mind, I number these first brothers "2" for the second generation. (I think you started with him as 1)

- 2. Abraham Mullendore 1762
- 2. Jacob Mullaadore was apparently the second son. I do not know when he was born. According to the D.A.R. Magazine for March 1951, page 239 Maryland Marriage Records he married Susannah Swisher 3/28/1785. They had two children:
  - 3. Elizabeth Mullendore
  - 3. Jacob Mullandore 1792-1872 ( my great-great grandfather) After a second marriage this 2. Jacob Mullendore lived in Virginia 17 years, and from there moved to Ohio about 1804. There were seven children from the second marriage:
    - 3. Abraham Mullendore
    - 3. Joseph Mullendore b. 1795 in Va.
    - 3. David Mullendore
    - 3. John Mullendore
    - 3. Mary Mullendore
    - 3. Susan Mullendore b. 1803
    - 3. Nancy Mullendore
- 2. John Mullendore 1769-1869, lived in Maryland m. Juliann Beisser

The D.A.R. Magazine for March 1951, under the Maryland marriage records also listed a John Mullindore and Uhley Cost marriage 8/30/1794. Perhaps the Mullendores had been in this country for some time if this is a different man.

2. David Mullendore was the fourth brother. He was believed to have stayed in Maryland too. I have not learned anything about him yet. I have written to Albertus Mullendore, Boonsboro, Md., and he has promised to send information after the middle of April.

We had not known of any Mullendores serving in the Revolution. One of my cosins who has visited in Maryland told me that many of the Maryland Mullendores are Dunkards. If that has dated back long enough that may be an explanation.

Of those who came to Ohio at least some were Lutherans. They may have been influenced by in-laws if that was not the original religion. My great grandfather is buried in a Lutheran Cemetery in Shelby Co., Ind. His children who remained in that area were Lutherans. Those who came to Johnson County, the next county west, became members of the Christain Church. ( I was a member of the Christian Church until I married. Then I went into the Baptist Church with my husband.)

Now I wish we could bring the family history up to date. I am sure that that would seem to be a great task, but if we could have help from others we might be able to add to the information, even though we may never have the complete story. Could you and would you work on your own great g grandfather's family? Perhaps there are key people who would help, such as Roy Massey, Adah Mullendore, one of the McCowns, one of the Catletts, Eva Bowers, and one of Abraham Lafayette Mullendore's descendants.

Would Mrs. Carl Roberts of Sevierville, a great granddaughter of Susannah M. Wear help with that family?

What about James Mullendore of Greenville, Tenn., a great grandson of David M. and Catherine Easterly M.?

I think I have indicated that I am a descendant of 2. Jacob, and 3. Jacob M. (buried in Shelby Co., Ind. x my great grand father.) This Jacob 3. had eleven children, of which my grandfather, Lewis was the oldest. Lewis had 13 children, 10 of which grew up and had families. My father, Frank Mullendore 86, is still living. I am 55. I taught in Franklin College for 26 years. Botany was my field. I married about five years ago and retired from teaching. Now I am trying to keep a high house and help with flowers in the yard and garden.

I have done a great deal of work on the descendants of 3. Jacob Mullendore and Catherine Wertz Mullendore. I am hoping to have at least part of t the family story in a form for making duplicate copies by some time next summer. Of course the work does not always move along as smoothly as we would like. I shall be glad to send you a copy when it is available.

Sincerely,

Naomi Mullendore Hougham