

The Duggar Family Tree: 2000(?) Years of History

Presented to the
Duggar/Dugger Family Reunion

Regarding the
Descendants and Ancestors of
Reuben Henry Duggar M.D.
and Margaret Louise Minge

by

**Llewellyn Morgan Toulmin,
Ph.D., K.T.J., F.R.S.A., F.R.G.S.**

June 2008
Richmond, VA



Today we will cover four main topics...

- ❖ The Duggar name and line
- ❖ Reuben Henry Duggar and his family
- ❖ Documented Duggar ancestors
- ❖ Speculative ancestors

**...Along the way we will see
medals from lineage societies
we are entitled to join**



**Descendants of Signers of the
Declaration of Independence**



The Duggar name and line



Reuben Henry Duggar and his family



Documented Duggar ancestors



Speculative Duggar ancestors



The name Duggar/Dugger has several possible meanings and derivations

- ❖ **Variation of German “Tuchard” meaning “worth” or “hard”**
- ❖ **Short version of the German “Duggert”**
- ❖ **Variation of French “Daguerre” (as in Daguerretype pictures)**
- ❖ **Variation of French “du Gard” meaning “of the guard”**
- ❖ **Norman French “Dieu (te) garde” meaning “God Guard You”**
- ❖ **“Ddu” - Welsh for “The Dark” as in Gwladus Ddu “The Dark,” Princess of Wales 1205-1251, 22nd great-grandmother, and Hubert le Duggere, Oxford, 1310**

Duggars have several possible geographic origins

Likely:

South Wales

England

North Cornwall, near the Camel Estuary (concentrations there now)

Possible:

Scotland

France

Basque country

Germany

Unlikely:

The country or area of “Duggar” – located in Kashmir, Janmu, Himachal Pradesh and Punjab, NW India. Speaking Dogri, derived from Sanskrit plus a bit of Arabic, Persian and English

Grants of arms have perhaps been made to relations and definitely to the Lignons



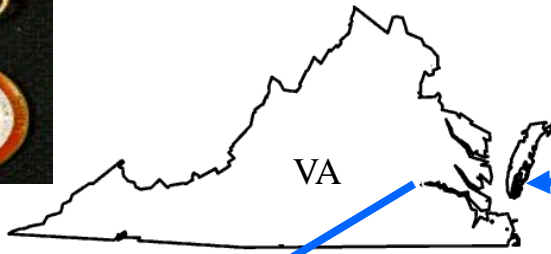
Duggar or “Dugguid” of Aberdeenshire, Scotland
Motto: “With Patience and Hope”

Ligon or Lyggon of Worcestershire, England

Americans of Armorial Ancestry (Duggars entitled)

The key known family migrations were from England & Wales to Virginia and on to Alabama

Jamestowne Society

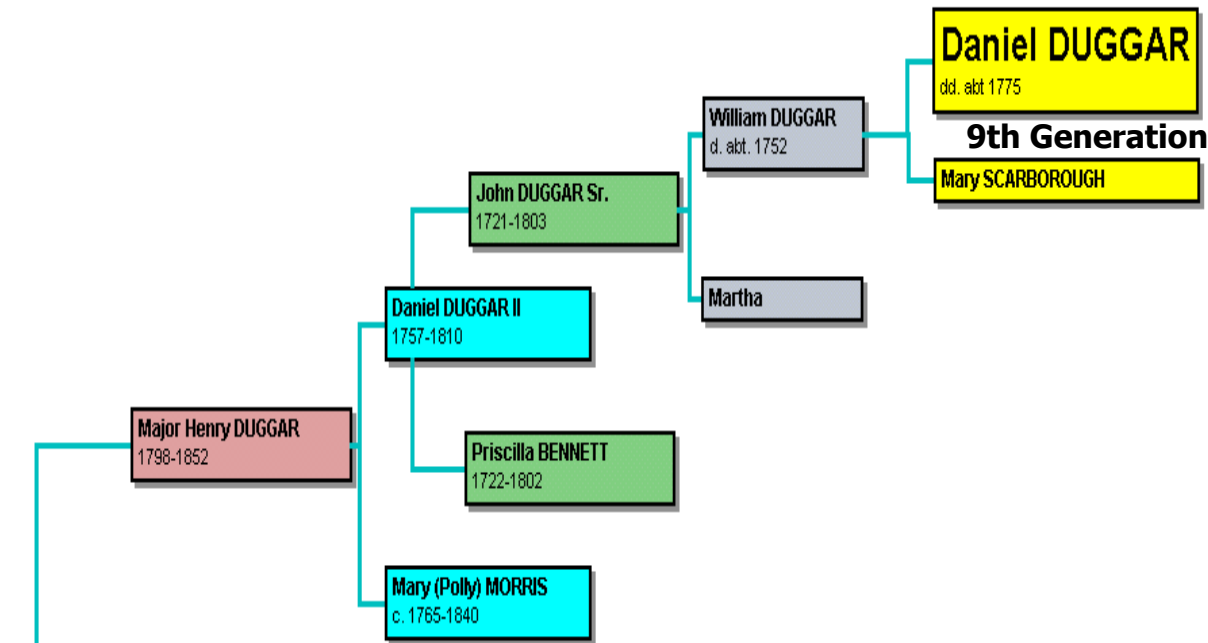


Henry Dugger & Reuben Henry Dugger

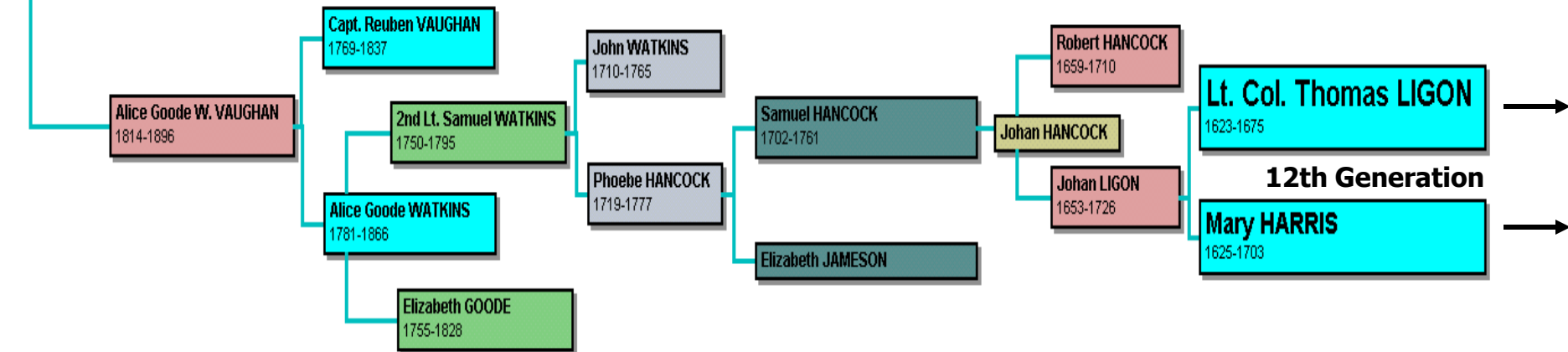
Who	When	From
Lt. Col. Thomas Ligon:	c. 1645	Madresfield, Worchester
Sarah Ludlow:	c. 1652	Hill Deverell, Wiltshire
Daniel ? Dugger:	c. 1700	S. Wales* ?
Maj. Henry Dugger:	June 1844	Petersburg, VA

*Previously in north Cornwall near the Camel estuary?

The direct Dugge(a)r line is traceable to 1717



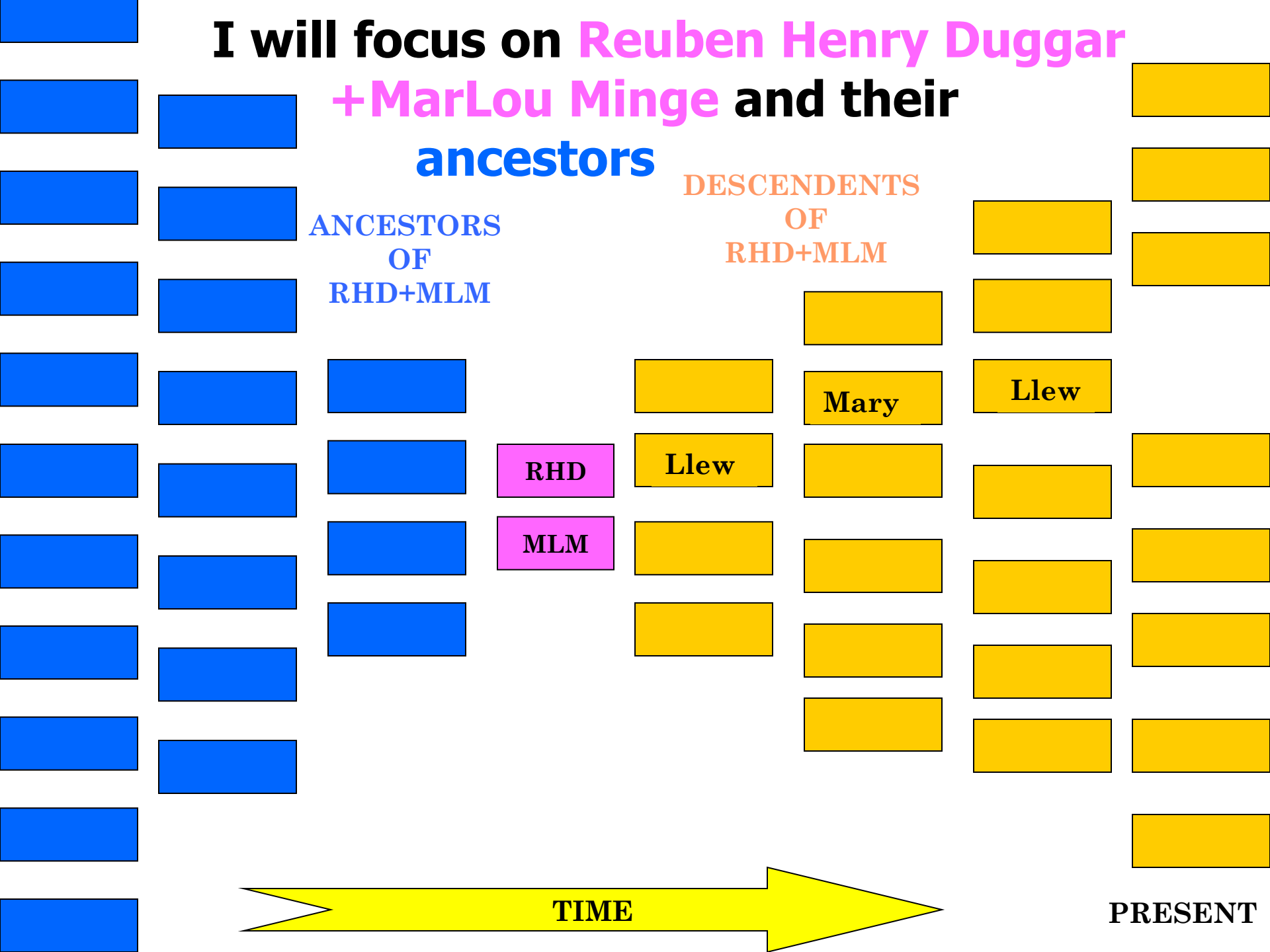
The Thomas Ligon branch goes back to 435 AD



I will focus on Reuben Henry Duggar + MarLou Minge and their ancestors

ANCESTORS
OF
RHD+MLM

DESCENDENTS
OF
RHD+MLM



RHD

MLM

Llew

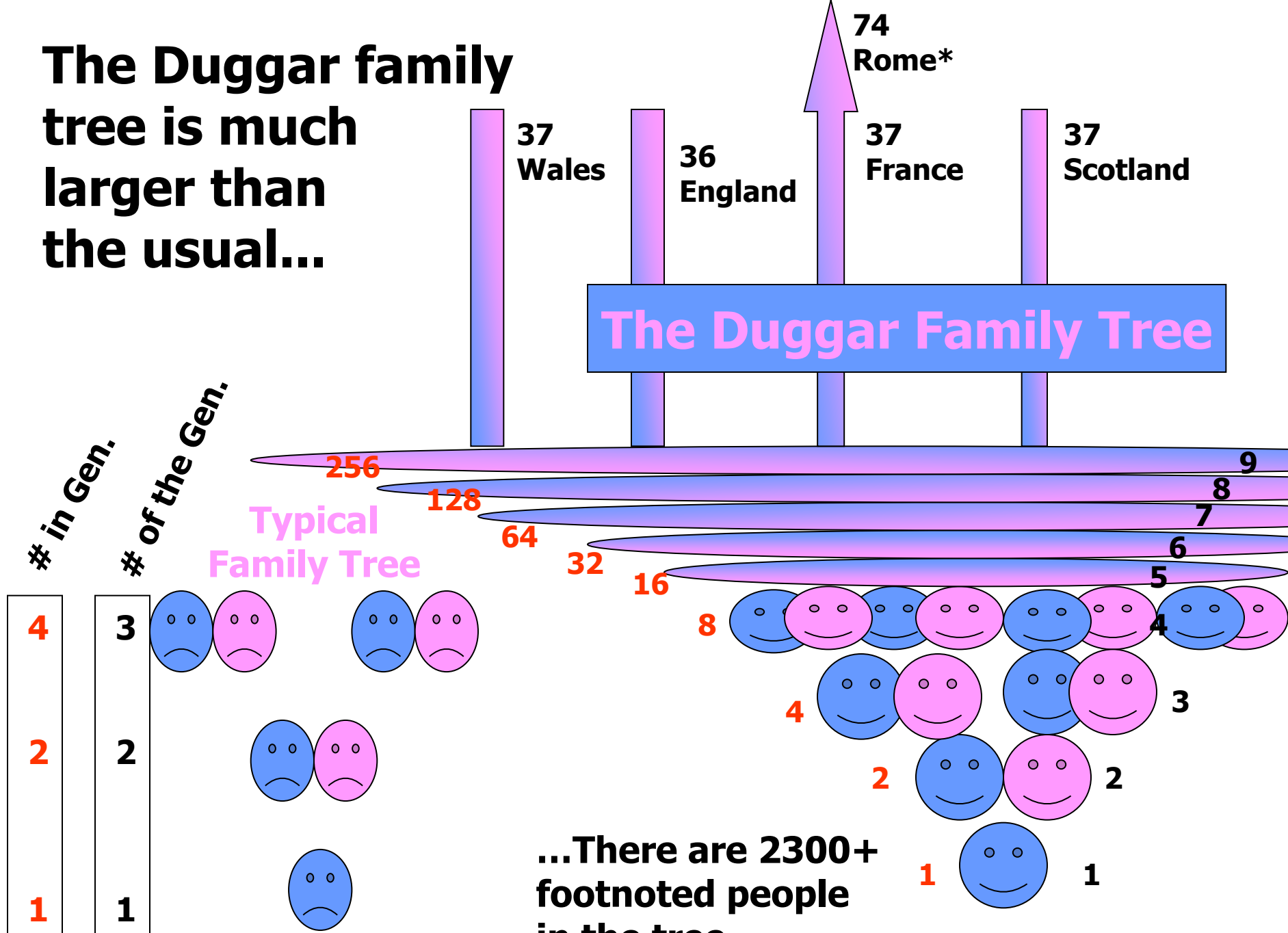
Mary

Llew

TIME

PRESENT

The Duggar family tree is much larger than the usual...



...There are 2300+ footnoted people in the tree

*speculative

❖ **The Duggar name and line**

❖ **Reuben Henry Duggar and his family**

❖ **Documented Duggar ancestors**

❖ **Speculative Duggar ancestors**



Reuben Henry Duggar M.D. was a Renaissance Man



- Lived 1837 (Petersburg VA) to 1921 (Auburn, AL)
- Educated by tutors and at Madison (now Allegheny) College in PA and at the U. of PA
- Master Mason and devout Episcopalian
- “Always voted Democratic” -- part of the VA aristocracy in AL
- Loved turkey hunting and “tournaments” (the VA sport of jousting)
- Head of the Hale County Medical Society, lifelong doctor
- On the board of Auburn University
- “Almost as versatile as his kinsman Thomas Jefferson. He loved books and was a fluid writer”
- Undertook agricultural and scientific experiments
- During the Civil War at Talledega he built fires on the upwind side of the camp, then smothered the fires at dusk so the smoke would drive away the mosquitos. In effect he discovered the role of mosquitos in malaria, 20 years before the official discovery
- Interested in architecture and designed and built his own house, “Bamboo Hall”
- Changed his name from Dugger to Duggar; he felt it was more accurate historically
- A fascinating storyteller and a good listener

The journey from Virginia to Alabama at age 11 with his father to join his mother was very memorable

What a time we had, four long weeks!!

"Daddy" Thompson was the driver.

"Mammy Isobel" took care of me and my dog "Beppo." We reached Alabama safely with the wagons on July 4, 1844.

A crowd of servants came trooping towards us hurrahing; they had a holiday, and their noise waked me from sleep...

Goodnight,

RHD



Father Henry
Dugger



Mother Alice
Goode Vaughan

RHD served as a doctor in the Confederate Army

- ❖ Physician at the Alabama Salt Works
- ❖ Member of CSA State Medical Examining Board
- ❖ Assistant Surgeon of the CSA Hospital at Talladega

No. 22--Voucher to Abstract B.
THE CONFEDERATE STATES,
 To *Dr. R. H. Duggar Dr.*

1864.		Dollars.	Cts.
<i>January</i>	<i>To One months duty on Med. Ex. Board, H. Camp Dist. Ala, under orders of Lt. Col. H. C. Lockhart, Comm. at Moseley for St. Ala, from 1st January to 31st inclu - sum (\$110 pr mo.)</i>	<i>110</i>	
	<i>approved for \$110.-</i>		
	<i>By order of H. C. Lockhart Comm. for Ala Jas. Y. Morgan 2^d Lt. Wash. D. C.</i>	<i>110.50</i>	



Southern Cross of Honor



Sons of Confederate Veterans



Civil War times were hard *Macon, Alabama*

Nov 20th, 1861

Dear Luke,

...Meat is very dear and not to be had. Many notes (on loans) are due us, but you might as well try to make coffee from turnips' tops. People look insulted or take it as an excellent joke when asked about money (owed). I have a half dollar in my pocket and take it out several times a day and look at it, to console myself...



*Your brother,
RHD*



City life had little appeal

Prarieville, Alabama
May 8, 1912

Dear Gertrude,

You surely had a good trip Southward to Texas, away from the harrowing noises of the city. Men and womenfolks nowadays rush in such strenuous effort in financial matters that neuritis is Epidemic. A double extract of old fashioned Quakerism would help mightily...

Your cousin,
RHD



“MarLou” Minge was the perfect Southern lady



- ❖ **Lived 1839-1918**
- ❖ **Born at father’s home, “Norwood,” Faunsdale, AL**
- ❖ **Petite brunette with “Harrison eyes” - big and brown**
- ❖ **Never weighed over 90 pounds; shoe size: 1**
- ❖ **Grew up in the exciting period before the war**
- ❖ **Married Reuben Duggar from only 10 miles away**
- ❖ **Reconstruction was hard, but “tournaments” revived the social life**
- ❖ **She knitted mufflers, crocheted slippers, and embroidered handkerchiefs**
- ❖ **Had a terse wit that was almost satirical in a gentle way**
- ❖ **Described by her granddaughter as “the emblem of duty well done, the epitome of gentility and of devout, courageous and gracious Southern womanhood”**
- ❖ **Died at “Bamboo Hall” on the last day of World War I**

The Duggar-Minge homes: scene of balls, parties, chess matches, horse races and tournaments

- ❖ Bamboo Hall
- ❖ Home of Reuben & MarLou
- ❖ Designed and built by RHD
- ❖ Gallion, Hale County, AL
- ❖ Named for the Japanese Bamboo he grew there



- ❖ Norwood Plantation, nr. Faunsdale AL
- ❖ Home of David+Elvira Minge, parents of MarLou
- ❖ Marriage site of RHD+MLM
- ❖ Huge double parlors w/ 1400 sq ft for entertaining

The Duggar cup and Frederick Duggar sword: the Holy Grail and Excalibur of the family



Coin silver goblet, of a set of 12, given to MarLou Minge by Reuben Duggar on their wedding



Cpl. Frederick Duggar CSA sword-bayonet (with handle upper right), ggg..uncle of us all, killed at the Battle of Atlanta, 1864. Brother of Reuben Henry Duggar

The Duggar Bible records the death of Frederick

DEATHS.

"Killed" at Peach tree
Creek - near Atlanta
4 o'cl' P.M. July 20th
1864. (in action).

Frederick Elijah Dug-
gar - aged 25 yrs
and three (3) days.

Soldiers Battery - buried next day in the
Atlanta Cemetery - Rev. Mr. Freeman. Pastor
officiated.

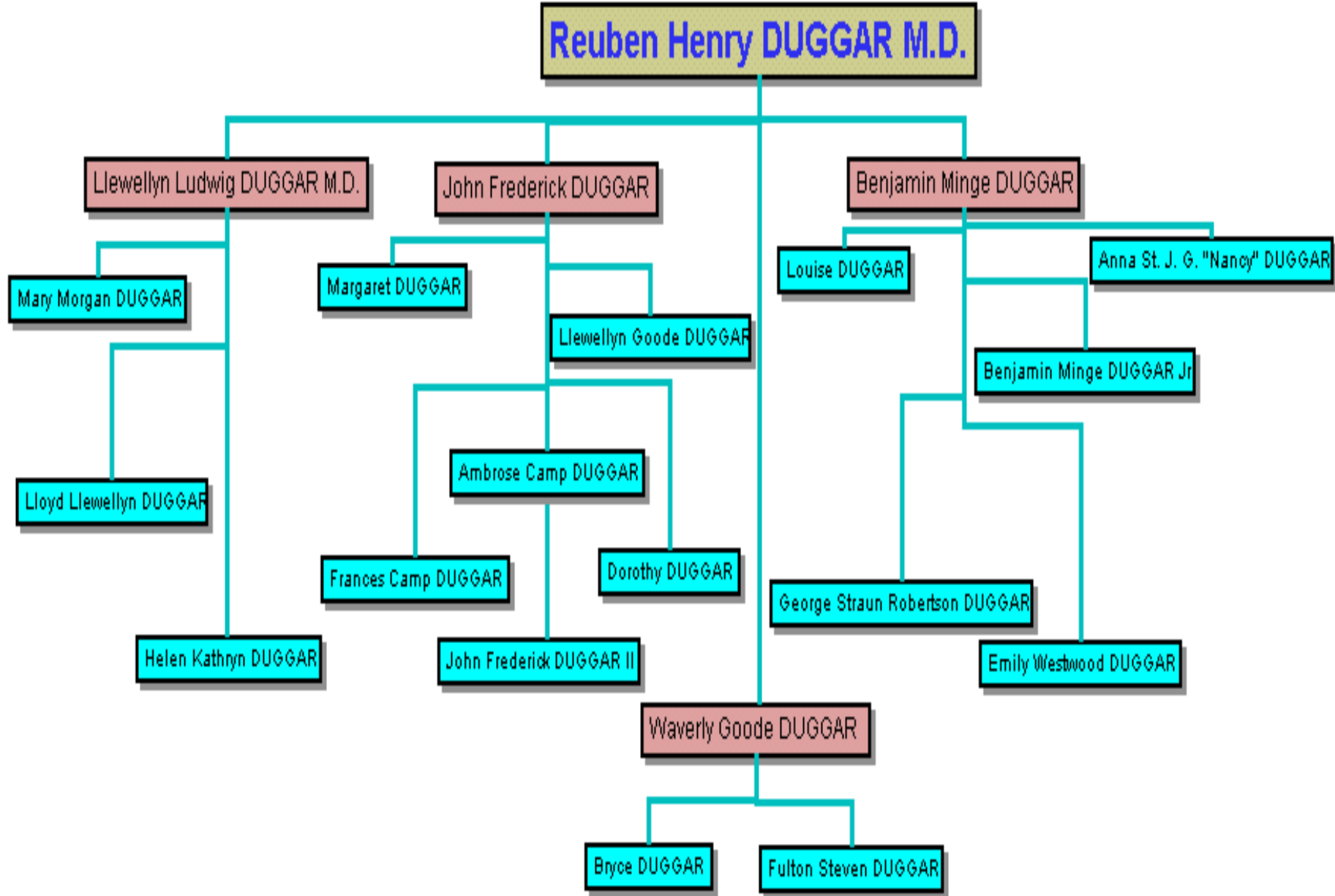
remains removed after the war
& interred in St. Andrews Church yard, Prairieville
Hale Co Ala.



MarLou with son David Minge Duggar, who died at 4 in 1870, despite Reuben's medical efforts



Reuben+MarLou had 4 children with descendants



The Duggar boys hold still for a moment

Benjamin Minge
b. 1872

Waverly Goode
b. 1874



John Frederick
b. 1868

Reuben Henry Jr.
b. 1870

Llewellyn Ludwig
b. 1876

The sons of RHD+MLM were distinguished



M.S. in Ag from MS A&M;
Prof of Ag at Auburn U,
Director of the Alabama
extension service 1903-1921,
& AL Experiment Station

John Frederick Duggar
1868-1945



Valedictorian, grad. of U. of AL
Physician in private
practice, Mobile, AL
Pres. of the Medical Staff
Mobile Infirmary hospital

Llewellyn Ludwig Duggar, MD
1876-1931



Outstanding research scientist in plant physiology; produced the
first antibiotic, aureomycin, which provided physicians with the
first broad-spectrum antibiotic and led to the development of new
generations of antibiotics

Benjamin Minge Duggar, Ph.D.
1872-1956



Waverly Goode Duggar
1874-1955

Moved out west to Arizona and New Mexico
Mining engineer and rancher
Descendants became oilmen

- ❖ **The Duggar name and line**
- ❖ **Reuben Henry Duggar and his family**
- ❖ **Documented Duggar ancestors**
- ❖ **Speculative Duggar ancestors**



We Duggars descend from the famous Harrison family of Virginia



Benjamin Harrison (V)
"The Signer"



John Minge and Sarah Harrison



President William Henry Harrison



Elvira Adams and David Minge

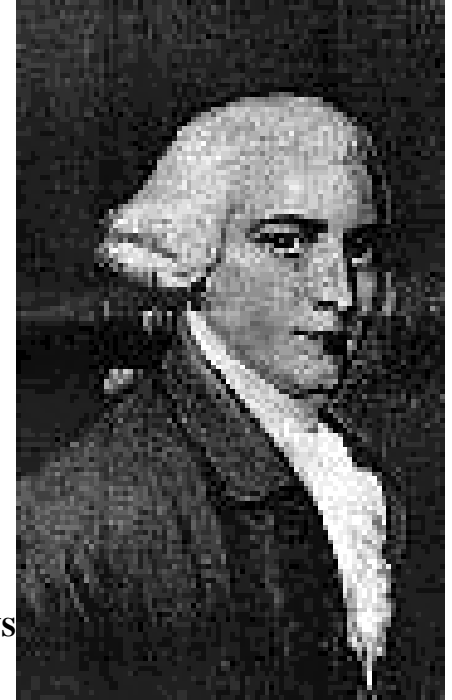
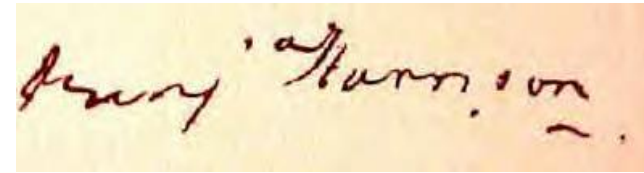


Margaret Louise Minge

Reuben Henry Duggar

Benjamin Harrison (V) was one of our greatest ancestors

- ❖ Signer of the Declaration of Independence from Virginia
- ❖ Key member of the Continental Congress
- ❖ Twice Governor of Virginia
- ❖ Owned “Berkeley” on the James River
- ❖ Authorized privateering against UK, owned privateers and a shipyard for building them
- ❖ Gggg-grandfather (Gen. #7)



The Naval
Order of the US



- Descendants of Signers
- Sons of the Amer. Revolution
- Sons of the Revolution

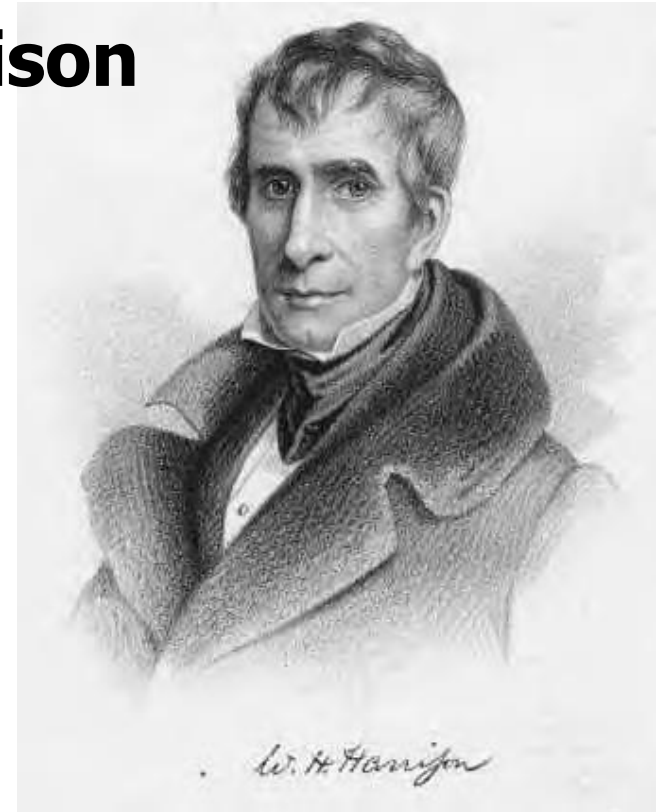


Berkeley

The Liberty Ship *Benjamin Harrison*, one of the first such ships built in WW II, was named for our ancestor



President William Henry Harrison had an amazing career



- ❖ Lived 1773-1841
- ❖ Indian battles -- Fallen Timbers, Tippecanoe, the Thames
- ❖ Governor of the Indiana Territory = 5 states
- ❖ Major General, US Army
- ❖ Started the War of 1812
- ❖ Added 54+ million acres to the US in IN, WI, MN, MI, IL
- ❖ Ambassador to Colombia
- ❖ US Senator
- ❖ Created the first campaign slogan:
“Tippecanoe & Tyler Too”
- ❖ 9th US President -- but died after just 1 month
- ❖ Gggg uncle of the Duggar clan

- War of 1812 National
- War of 1812 Maryland
- Indian Wars
- Presidents & 1st Ladies



Ancestor Robert "King" Carter owned much of Virginia

- ❖ Lived 1663-1732
- ❖ Largest landowner in the colonies
- ❖ 40 plantations
- ❖ Owned 300,000+ acres
- ❖ Acting Governor of Virginia 1726-7
- ❖ Member of the Council
- ❖ 6th Great-grandfather (Gen. #9)

- Charlemagne
- William the Conqueror
- Henry I, II, III
- Richard the Lion Heart
- Magna Charta Barons

Sarah Ludlow
"The Immigrant"



Robert
"King"
Carter

[Empty box]



Benjamin Harrison
"The Signer"

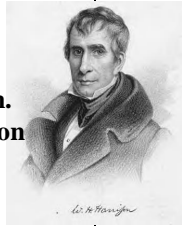


- Colonial Planters
- Colonial Governors
- Colonial Warriors

We have well-documented links to several **Presidential Cousins**



Benjamin Harrison, "Signer"



President Wm. Henry Harrison



President Benjamin Harrison

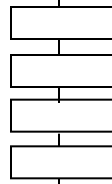
Flagon & Trencher



Huguenots



Jean Marot, Tavernkeeper



President John Tyler



Margaret Louise Minge

Thomas Jefferson I



President Thomas Jefferson



Reuben Henry Duggar

We Duggars also descend from the famous Lees of Virginia

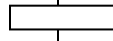
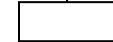
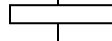
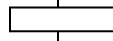
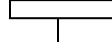
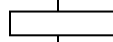


Lee

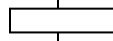
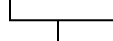
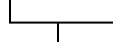
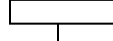
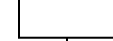
The Society of the Lees of Virginia

Richard Lee "The Immigrant" 1617-1663 + Anne Constable

(8th G-Grands)



President Zachary Taylor



MarLou Minge



Robert E. Lee
(in 1838)

4th cousin 5 X removed

Our royal ancestors include the Plantagenets and many kings of England & Scotland



William the Conqueror
25th G-grandfather



King Henry I



Henry II
1133-1189



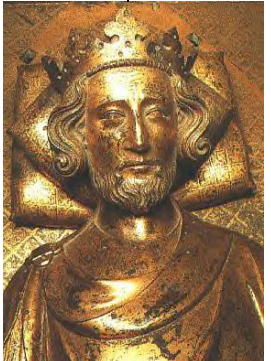
Royal
Descent



Eleanor of
Aquitaine



King John



King Henry III



Richard the
Lionheart



Plantagenet Society

To the Duggars

Charlemagne, King of the Franks, 747-813, is one of our earliest confirmed ancestors...



A romantic view



- ❖ King of France
- ❖ Crowned Holy Roman Emperor in 800
- ❖ United Europe in a federal-style system
- ❖ Reach him via Thomas Ligon or Sarah Ludlow
- ❖ 34th G-grandfather; generation #37



A reconstruction



A realistic view?

...My favorite view is on the next slide

Crown of Charlemagne (society of descendants)



**We can now
push back the
family tree to
435 AD, to the
famous
Merovingian
Dynasty**



**Neck badge of the
Order of the Merovingian Dynasty**

- ❖ **The Duggar name and line**
- ❖ **Reuben Henry Duggar and his family**
- ❖ **Documented Duggar ancestors**
- ❖ **Speculative Duggar ancestors**



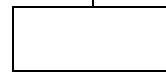
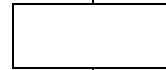
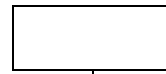
Queen Boadicea led the Britons in a revolt against Roman occupiers in 62 AD



At least one source says we descend from Roman rulers



**Julius
Caesar**



Octavius, Emperor Augustus



Marc Anthony (83-30 BC)



To the Duggars?

**“Old King Cole”-- King of England in 125 AD
and possible ancestor -- was a merry old soul...**



**...let's follow his example and have a great
time this weekend!**

**THANKS!
QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS?**



THE DUGGER LINE

?

THE BIG PRIZE



DANIEL DUGGER I (abt 1695-1775) (m. to Mary Scarborough)



SHAKY DATA

WILLIAM DUGGER (abt 1720-1773) (m. to Martha _____)



SHAKY DATA

JOHN DUGGER (abt 1721-1803) (m. to Priscilla Bennett)



GOOD INFO

DANIEL DUGGER II (abt 1757-1811) (m. to Mary "Polly" Morris)



GOOD INFO

MAJOR HENRY DUGGER (1798-1852) (m. to Alice G.W. Vaughan)



CERTAIN

REUBEN HENRY DUGGAR (1837-1921) (m. to Mar Lou Minge)

