

TWO NORTH CAROLINA DESMOND FAMILIES  
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FAMILY No. 1

THE DESCENDANTS OF JOSHUA DESMOND AND JULIA WETHERINGTON<sup>1</sup>

1.01 JOSHUA DESMOND.

+1.02 JULIA WETHERINGTON.

2.01 LEWIS CANNON DESMOND, b. 19 Apr 1802, Kinston, Lenoir, North Carolina, d. 24 Oct 1868, Kinston, Lenoir, North Carolina, bur. Caswell Memorial Cemetery Kinston, Lenoir County, North Carolina.<sup>2</sup>

+ 2.02 ELIZA W. (UNKNOWN), b. 17 Sep 1801, d. 18 Sep 1844, Kinston, Lenoir, North Carolina, bur. Caswell Memorial Cemetery Kinston, Lenoir County, North Carolina.<sup>3</sup>

3.01 JOHN DESMOND, b. 1820, Kinston, Lenoir County, North Carolina.<sup>4</sup>

+3.02 NANCY ROUSE, b. abt. 1828, North Carolina, d. aft. 1880.<sup>5</sup>

3.03 MARY ELIZABETH DESMOND, b. 25 Jul 1823, Kinston, Lenoir, North Carolina, d.s.p 18 Apr 1900, Kinston, Lenoir, North Carolina, bur, Desmond Family Cemetery, Kinston, Lenoir, North Carolina.<sup>6</sup>

+ 3.04 JEREMIAH HOLT HARDEN, b. 1 Jan 1818, Orange, North Carolina, 25 Jun 1871, Orange, North Carolina.

+ 3.05 LEWIS HENRY MCDANIEL, b. abt. 1808, Jones, North Carolina, d. abt. 1878, Jones, North Carolina.

+ 3.06 FREDERICK WASHINGTON FONVILLE, b.24 Sep 1818, Orange North Carolina, d. 19 Dec 1900.<sup>7</sup>

3.07 WILLIAM LEWIS DESMOND, b. 28 Sep 1826, Kinston, Lenoir, North Carolina, d.s.p. 25 Oct 1831, bur. Caswell Memorial Cemetery

<sup>1</sup> I have been unable to connect this family with Family No. 2. There were other Desmonds in North Carolina as early as the American Revolution: James Liberty Desmond, Capt. Samuel Ashe's 1st Troop, North Carolina Light Dragoons, March 1778; James Desmond 1 fwm16+ 2fwm16- 3fwf ("Mecklenburg County Census of 1790, vol. 26, p. 771," Colonial and State Records of North Carolina, University of North Carolina, <http://docsouth.unc.edu/csr/>); Thomas Desmond, res. Davidson? Mecklenburg, 1820 U.S. census 1m 21-45 1f 45+; James Desmond 1m -5 1m 20-30 1f 20-30 Person Co. N.C. 1840 U.S. census.

<sup>2</sup> "Lenoir County, NC - Caswell Cemetery," *U.S. Gen Web Archives*, <http://files.usgwarchives.net/nc/lenoir/cemeteries/caswel02.txt> "Lenoir County, NC - Caswell Cemetery," <http://files.usgwarchives.net/nc/lenoir/cemeteries/caswel02.txt> Son of Joshua Desmond and Julia Wetherington, grandson of Daniel Desmond ("C-D Files," *U.S. Gen Web Archives*, <http://files.usgwarchives.net/nc/lenoir/census/1850cd.txt>).

<sup>3</sup> Granddaughter of Richard Caswell ("C-D Files," *U.S. Gen Web Archives*, <http://files.usgwarchives.net/nc/lenoir/census/1850cd.txt>), grandniece of Hardy Gatlin ("Lenoir County, NC - Caswell Cemetery," *U.S. Gen Web Archives*, <http://files.usgwarchives.net/nc/lenoir/cemeteries/caswel02.txt>). Lewis res. with his second wife, Matilda, in the 1850 U.S. census conducted 20 Aug 1850. "The old home near Caswell's grave was the old Desmond place and then before that Caswell's home, according to J. D. Whitford, historian, and others" (Lenoir County, NC - Kinston Free Press, January 1893-December 1893, 9 Nov 1858, <http://files.usgwarchives.net/nc/lenoir/newspapers/press05.txt>).

<sup>4</sup> He appears to have d. bef. 1860.

<sup>5</sup> Daughter of Richard C. Rouse and Elizabeth Hill ( [Untitled] *U.S. Gen Web Archives*, <http://files.usgwarchives.net/nc/lenoir/census/1850cd.txt>).

<sup>6</sup> "DIED. Mrs. Mary E. Fonville died yesterday morning at her home in Kinston, at the age of about 76 years. She was born at the old Desmond place, near Kinston. Mrs. Fonville was a sister-in-law [*sic*] of Ella E. Desmond. She was a member of the Episcopal church. We learn that she made provision in her will for the home, which she had been living in to be given to St. Mary's church of Kinston. The land which she owned near Kinston was left to distant relatives in California and Arkansas. Her remains were interred at the burial ground on the Desmond place this afternoon" (*The Daily Free Press*, Kinston, N.C., Apr. 19, 1900, p. 4). "Lenoir County, NC - Caswell Cemetery," *U.S. Gen Web Archives*, <http://files.usgwarchives.net/nc/lenoir/cemeteries/caswel02.txt>

<sup>7</sup> Married 20 May 1873, Almance Co., N.C., son of William and Rachel Fonville ("North Carolina, County Marriages, 1762-1979," *FamilySearch*, <http://FamilySearch.org>).

- Kinston, Lenoir County, North Carolina.<sup>8</sup>
- 3.08 JOSHUA CANNON DESMOND, b. 26 Nov 1826, Kinston, Lenoir, North Carolina, d.s.p. 22 Feb 1849, Kinston, Lenoir, North Carolina, bur. Caswell Memorial Cemetery Kinston, Lenoir County, North Carolina.<sup>9</sup>
- 3.09 SUSAN ANN DESMOND, b. abt. 1830, bap. 23 Jun 1832, Kinston, Lenoir, North Carolina, d.s.p. 26 Oct 1851, Kinston, Lenoir, North Carolina.<sup>10</sup>
- 3.10 LEONIDAS DESMOND, b. abt. 1831, bap. 23 Jun 1832, Kinston, Lenoir, North Carolina, d. bef. 1870.<sup>11</sup>
- + 3.11 ELENOR (ELLA) HARVEY, b. 27 Nov. 1838 Kinston, Lenoir, North Carolina, d. 28 Jun 1913, Kinston, Lenoir, North Carolina, bur. Maplewood Cemetery, Kinston, Lenoir, North Carolina.<sup>12</sup>
- 4.01 JOHN JOSEPH DESMOND, b. 18 Jun 1855, Kinston, Lenoir, North Carolina, d.s.p. 23 Apr 1892, Kinston, Lenoir, North Carolina, bur. Maplewood Cemetery, Kinston, Lenoir, North Carolina.<sup>13</sup>
- 3.12 ELIZABETH BRYAN DESMOND, b.13 Oct 1832, Kinston, Lenoir, North Carolina, d.s.p. 8 Dec 1840, Kinston, Lenoir, North Carolina, bur. Caswell Memorial Cemetery Kinston Lenoir County, North Carolina.<sup>14</sup>
- 3.13 SARAH CATHERINE DESMOND, b. 8 Jul 1834, Kinston, Lenoir, North Carolina, d.s.p. 17 Oct 1836, Kinston, Lenoir, North Carolina, bur. Caswell Memorial Cemetery Kinston, Lenoir County, North Carolina.<sup>15</sup>
- 3.14 LEWIS THOMAS DESMOND, bap. 4 May 1845, Kinston, Lenoir, North Carolina, d.s.p. 20 Feb 1849, Kinston, Lenoir, North Carolina.<sup>16</sup>
- 3.15 RICHARD GATLIN DESMOND, b. abt. July 1838, Kinston, Lenoir, North Carolina, d.s.p. 9 Mar 1849, Kinston, Lenoir, North Carolina.<sup>17</sup>
- 3.16 LOUISA JANE DESMOND, b. 3 Jun 1840, Kinston, Lenoir, North Carolina, d.s.p. 12 Jul 1844, Kinston, Lenoir, North Carolina, bur. Caswell Memorial Cemetery Kinston, Lenoir County, North Carolina.<sup>18</sup>
- 3.17 ELIZABETH BLOUNT DESMOND, b. 1842, Kinston, Lenoir County, North Carolina, d.s.p.. 1850.<sup>19</sup>
- 3.18 CORDELIA WILCOX DESMOND, b. abt. Nov 1843, Kinston, Lenoir County, North Carolina, d.s.p. 5 Mr 1849, Kinston, Lenoir, North Carolina.<sup>20</sup>
- + 2.03 MATILDA W. CROOM, b. abt. 1810, Kinston, Lenoir, North Carolina.

<sup>8</sup> "Lenoir County, NC - Caswell Cemetery," *U.S. Gen Web Archives*, <http://files.usgwarchives.net/nc/lenoir/cemeteries/caswel01.txt>

<sup>9</sup> "NC, Lenoir, Church, St. Mary's Episcopal Parish Records," *U.S. Gen Web Archives*, [http://files.usgwarchives.net/nc/lenoir/church/st\\_mary.txt](http://files.usgwarchives.net/nc/lenoir/church/st_mary.txt)

<sup>10</sup> "NC, Lenoir, Church, St. Mary's Episcopal Parish Records," *U.S. Gen Web Archives*, [http://files.usgwarchives.net/nc/lenoir/church/st\\_mary.txt](http://files.usgwarchives.net/nc/lenoir/church/st_mary.txt)

<sup>11</sup> Private, Company E, 3rd Regiment North Carolina Cavalry, War for Southern Independence ("Soldiers and Sailors Database [Civil War]," *U.S. National Park Service*, <https://www.nps.gov/civilwar/soldiers-and-sailors-database.htm> "NC, Lenoir, Church, St. Mary's Episcopal Parish Records," *U.S. Gen Web Archives*, [http://files.usgwarchives.net/nc/lenoir/church/st\\_mary.txt](http://files.usgwarchives.net/nc/lenoir/church/st_mary.txt)

<sup>12</sup> Married in 1854, Kinston, N.C., daughter of Amos Harvey and Susan Byrd ("C-D Files," *U.S. Gen Web Archives*, <http://files.usgwarchives.net/nc/lenoir/census/1850cd.txt>) United States. Work Projects Administration, Historical Records Survey of North Carolina, "Lenoir County Cemetery Survey Records," p. 30., State Library of North Carolina, North Carolina Digital Collections, <http://digital.ncdcr.gov/cdm/compoundobject/collection/p15012coll1/id/34456/rec/1> "North Carolina Deaths, 1931-1994," *FamilySearch*, <http://FamilySearch.org>

<sup>13</sup> "NC, Lenoir, Church, St. Mary's Episcopal Parish Records," *U.S. Gen Web Archives*, [http://files.usgwarchives.net/nc/lenoir/church/st\\_mary.txt](http://files.usgwarchives.net/nc/lenoir/church/st_mary.txt)

<sup>14</sup> "NC, Lenoir, Church, St. Mary's Episcopal Parish Records," *U.S. Gen Web Archives*, [http://files.usgwarchives.net/nc/lenoir/church/st\\_mary.txt](http://files.usgwarchives.net/nc/lenoir/church/st_mary.txt)

<sup>15</sup> "Lenoir County, NC - Caswell Cemetery," *U.S. Gen Web Archives*, <http://files.usgwarchives.net/nc/lenoir/cemeteries/caswel01.txt>

<sup>16</sup> "NC, Lenoir, Church, St. Mary's Episcopal Parish Records," *U.S. Gen Web Archives*, [http://files.usgwarchives.net/nc/lenoir/church/st\\_mary.txt](http://files.usgwarchives.net/nc/lenoir/church/st_mary.txt)

<sup>17</sup> "Lenoir County, NC - Caswell Cemetery," *U.S. Gen Web Archives*, <http://files.usgwarchives.net/nc/lenoir/cemeteries/caswel01.txt>

<sup>18</sup> "Lenoir County, NC - Caswell Cemetery," *U.S. Gen Web Archives*, <http://files.usgwarchives.net/nc/lenoir/cemeteries/caswel01.txt>

<sup>19</sup> Bap. 13 May 1845 ("NC, Lenoir, Church, St. Mary's Episcopal Parish Records," *U.S. Gen Web Archives*, [http://files.usgwarchives.net/nc/lenoir/church/st\\_mary.txt](http://files.usgwarchives.net/nc/lenoir/church/st_mary.txt)).

<sup>20</sup> Bap. 17 Aug 1845, ("NC, Lenoir, Church, St. Mary's Episcopal Parish Records," *U.S. Gen Web Archives*, [http://files.usgwarchives.net/nc/lenoir/church/st\\_mary.txt](http://files.usgwarchives.net/nc/lenoir/church/st_mary.txt)).

2.04 NANCY DESMOND, b. 1814, Kinston, Lenoir, North Carolina, res. 1880, Kinston, Lenoir, North Carolina.<sup>21</sup>

2.05 ELIZABETH DESMOND, b. abt. 1825, North Carolina, d. 28 Oct 1880, Kinston, Lenoir, North Carolina.<sup>22</sup>

#### FAMILY NO. 2

#### THE DESCENDANTS OF LEWIS DESMOND AND SENA W. BOYETTE

1.01 LEWIS DESMOND, b. abt. 1850, Lenoir County, North Carolina, d. 1906, Lenoir County, North Carolina.<sup>23</sup>

+ 1.02 SENA W. BOYETTE, b. abt. 1846, Lenoir County, North Carolina, d. aft. 1906.<sup>24</sup>

2.01 EMMA LOU DESMOND, b. 27 Dec 1874, Lenoir County, North Carolina, d. 6 Jun 1943, Lenoir County, North Carolina.<sup>25</sup>

+ 2.02 WILLIAM A. (BILLY) HARPER, b. abt. 1856, Lenoir County, North Carolina, d. 27 Jan 1935, Lenoir County, North Carolina.<sup>26</sup>

3.01 JAMES ELBERT (EBBIE) HARPER, b. 13 Jul 1900, Lenoir County, North Carolina, d. 26 Feb 1987, Goldsboro, Wayne, North Carolina.<sup>27</sup>

3.02 WINIFRED (WINNIE) HARPER, b. 28 Jul 1905, Lenoir County, North Carolina, d. 28 Oct 1962, Kinston, Lenoir, North Carolina.<sup>28</sup>

3.03 JESSE HARPER, b. 2 Jun 1908, Lenoir County, North Carolina, d. 10 May 1958, Jones, Chinquapin, North Carolina.<sup>29</sup>

3.04 JOHN W. HARPER, b. 1908, North Carolina.

3.05 BETTY HARPER (see below).

2.03 NANCY SUSAN DESMOND, b. abt. 1879, Lenoir County, North Carolina.

+ 2.04 UNKNOWN.

3.06 NELLIE DESMOND, b. 1905, Lenoir County, North Carolina, d. 18 May 1925, Pink Hill, Lenoir, North Carolina.<sup>30</sup>

2.05 JAMES LEWIS DESMOND, b. 30 Apr 1889, Lenoir County, North Carolina, d. 14 May 1927, Pink Hill, Lenoir, North Carolina.<sup>31</sup>

+ 2.06 PENNIE KING, b. 2 May 1897, North Carolina, d. 25 Sep 1971, Pender, North Carolina.<sup>32</sup>

3.07 JOHN LEWIS DESMOND, b. 7 Dec 1908, Lenoir County, North Carolina, d. 8 Jun 1990, Lenoir County, North Carolina.<sup>33</sup>

+3.08 BETTY HARPER, b. 3 May 1911, Lenoir County, North Carolina, d. 5 Sep 1996, Kinston, Lenoir, North Carolina.<sup>34</sup>

<sup>21</sup> "C-D Files," *U.S. Gen Web Archives*, <http://files.usgwarchives.net/nc/lenoir/census/1850cd.txt>

<sup>22</sup> "The Kinston Journal," *U.S. Gen Web Archives*, <http://files.usgwarchives.net/nc/lenoir/newspapers/kinjornlb.txt>

<sup>23</sup> Died intestate, estate administered beginning 14 Apr 1906 ("North Carolina Estate Files, 1663-1979," *FamilySearch*, <http://FamilySearch.org>).

<sup>24</sup> Married 12 Mar 1874, Lenoir Co., N.C., daughter of James Wiley Boyette and Eliza Smith ("North Carolina, County Marriages, 1762-1979," *FamilySearch*, <http://FamilySearch.org>).

<sup>25</sup> "North Carolina Deaths, 1931-1994," *FamilySearch*, <http://FamilySearch.org>

<sup>26</sup> Married 24 May 1894, Lenoir Co., N.C. ("North Carolina, County Marriages, 1762-1979," *FamilySearch*, <http://FamilySearch.org>).

<sup>27</sup> Husband of Addie Harrison, b. 12 Feb 1902, N.C., d. 7 Jan 1973, Wayne Co., N.C. "North Carolina Deaths, 1931-1994," *FamilySearch*, <http://FamilySearch.org>

<sup>28</sup> Wife of William Henry Jones, b. 13 Feb 1901, Richlands, Onslow, N.C., d. 1 Jan 1982. She m. 2nd Daniel Spence. "North Carolina Deaths, 1931-1994," *FamilySearch*, <http://FamilySearch.org>

<sup>29</sup> Husband of Rosa Mae Thompson, b. 30 May 1915, Lenoir Co., N.C., d. 28 Jan 2007, Kinston, N.C. "North Carolina Deaths, 1931-1994," *FamilySearch*, <http://FamilySearch.org>

<sup>30</sup> "North Carolina Deaths, 1931-1994," *FamilySearch*, <http://FamilySearch.org>

<sup>31</sup> "United States World War I Draft Registration Cards, 1917-1918," *FamilySearch*. <http://FamilySearch.org> "North Carolina Deaths, 1931-1994," *FamilySearch*, <http://FamilySearch.org>

<sup>32</sup> Married 7 Jan 1908, Lenoir Co., N.C. ("North Carolina, County Marriages, 1762-1979," *FamilySearch*, <http://FamilySearch.org>).

<sup>33</sup> "North Carolina Deaths, 1931-1994," *FamilySearch*. <http://FamilySearch.org>

4.01 MARGARET DESMOND, b. abt. 1930, North Carolina.

4.01 CHRISTINE DESMOND, b. 1938, Kinston, Lenoir, North Carolina, d. 12 May 2014, Kinston, Lenoir, North Carolina.

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<sup>34</sup> Married 28 Nov 1927, Lenoir County, North Carolina ("North Carolina, County Marriages, 1762-1979 ," *FamilySearch*, <http://FamilySearch.org>).