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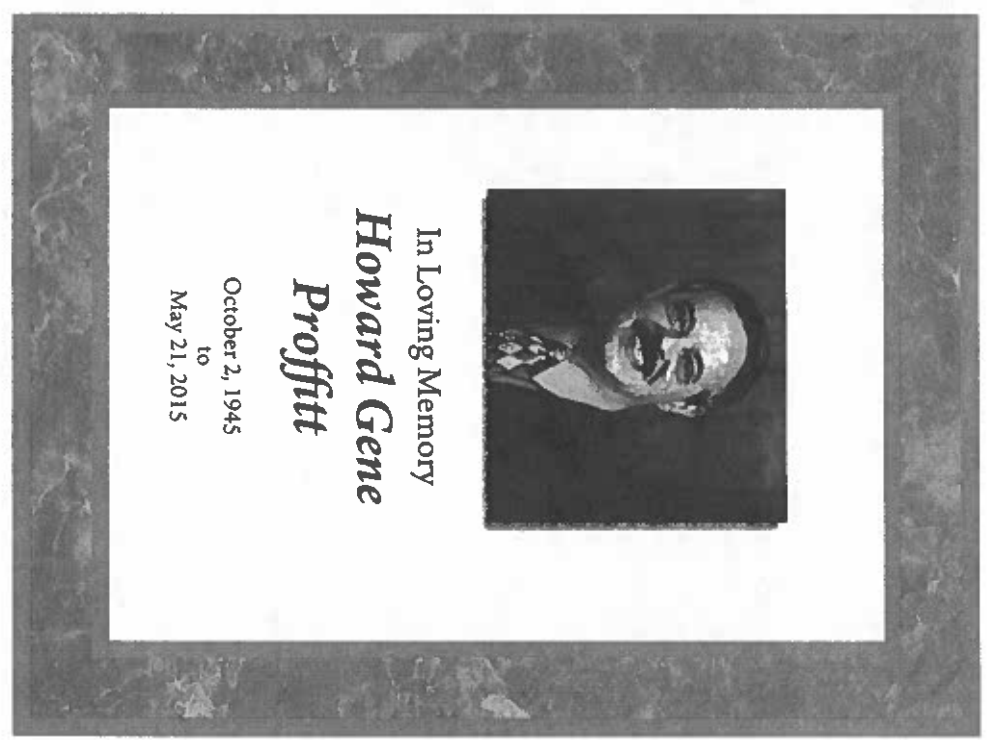
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### **Obituary**

Howard Gene Proffitt, 69, of Madison Heights, passed away on Thursday, May 21, 2015 at Virginia Baptist Hospital. He fought a good fight and never gave up.

Born on October 2, 1945, in Lynchburg, he was the son of the late Raymond and Hazel Proffitt. Howard attended Randolph Memorial Baptist Church. He retired from Centra Health after 38 years of service.

He is survived by his brother, Danny Proffitt and wife Valerie; two sisters, Barbara Middleton and husband Dennis and Elsie P. Burks; two very special nephews, Dennis Middleton and wife Stephanie and Shannon Middleton and wife Nena; four nephews, RD Burks, Raymond Burks, Roy Burks, and Douglas Burks; his niece, Wendy Greer and husband Chris; and four adopted grandchildren, who he loved as his own, Jared, Destiny, Markell, and Leah.



### **In Loving Memory of Howard Gene Proffitt**

#### **Born**

October 2, 1945  
Lynchburg, Virginia

#### **Died**

May 21, 2015  
Lynchburg, Virginia

#### **Visitation**

Saturday, May 23, 2015  
6 pm - 8 pm  
Whitten Monelison Chapel  
Madison Heights, Virginia

#### **Graveside Service**

Sunday, May 24, 2015  
2:00 pm  
Amherst Cemetery  
Amherst, Virginia

#### **Officiating**

Pastor Derik Hamby

Charlottesville.

Also see the obituary of Virginia Imogene Hall, to add to the confusion!

On March 12, 1924 Mattie Proffitt became Margaret Mae Smoot. She later married      Clark. She is now 78 (in 1998), lives in Pennsylvania with her son, Phillip Clark, and his wife, Maxine. (see printouts of e-mail we exchanged)

On Thursday, Sept. 17, <sup>1994</sup> I had the pleasure of calling Ivy to tell her that I had found her sister, Mattie, alive & well in Pennsylvania. *In Dec. 1999, Ivy's foster niece took her to Pa. to see her sister.*

8. Robert E. Proffitt (Bobby), b. 12-26-1923 at Phenix. father: Sambo Martin? This is my theory, not a proven fact.

*(See more info. on Bobby in the back →)*  
Lillian and Bobby lived with the Marvin (or Will?) Taylor family at Arrington. *Bobby Diehr said he was born in a barn near Taylor's store.*  
Later Lillian, Bobby, Flo and her husband, Frank Sarnitz and their two children went to live in Schuyler, ca. 1926.

Marriage record: Nelson County,  
April 17, 1926:

Louis Dallas Diehr, 45, married  
Lillian Proffitt, 34. Both  
born in Nelson County.

His parents: George & Annie Diehr  
no parents listed for Lillian

children of Lillian Proffitt & Louis Diehr:

1. William, b. 1928
2. Imogene, married Willard E. Hall,  
lived in Charlottesville

Frank Sarnits, Lillian & Louis Diehr all lived at Schuyler. Frank Sarnitz and Louis Diehr are both buried at Schuyler, Louis Diehr died in 1936.

Lillian Proffitt Diehr is buried in



*This is Lillian Proffitt. Bobby Diehr gave us this obit.*

Dear Uncle Robert & Aunt  
Lennie, Enclosed is a In  
Memory Card & Thank you  
Card. Also a Memorial  
Service Pamphlet that I  
thought you would like.  
I miss my Mom so much  
we were real close. Also  
my husband Tom is in  
Michigan home he's been  
there since Feb. I don't  
know if you knew that  
Philip's son Ryan died  
in July. So glad Mom

Your kind expression  
of sympathy and friendship  
will always remain  
in our memories.

Thank you  
for your  
thoughtfulness.

found out she had  
brother's & sisters before  
she passed on.  
Thank you for everything  
Love Betty

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Virginia Imogene Hall, 60, of Staunton, formerly of Charlottesville, died 12-20-90. Born at Schuyler 11-3-30, daughter of the late Lewis Dallas & Lillian Proffitt Diehr. Widow of Willard E. Hall, who died 1-12-87.

Three sons: Brockie Richard Hall of Bridgewater, Willard Edgar Hall II of Charlottesville, Donald Earl Hall of Granbury, Texas.

Three sisters: Florence Carpenter of Charlottesville, Louise Georganzis of Staunton, Bernice Dunn of Gloucester.

Brother: George Diehr of Manassas

Half-brother: Robert Diehr of Charlottesville

5 grandchildren

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all lived at Schuyler. Sarnity and  
Diehr buried at Schuyler,  
Lillian buried in Charlottesville.  
Louis Diehr died in 1936.*

*Bobby Diehr (Dyer) lives in  
Charlottesville, m. 1954 to Nancy —  
6 children, 3 grandchildren*

*(Capt. 2000 - met Marie Martin Hudg  
at Hudson Reunion. She grew up  
in Schuyler and dated Bobby Diehr)*

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Maggie Fitzgerald's marriage record:  
Nelson County: Maggie, b. 9-22-1899, age 21, m.  
Morris Martin, age 23, on 10-29-1919  
Her parents are listed as Jeff and Nettie  
Fitzgerald

Morris Martin was called Sambo.

Louis Diehr's children by his first marriage:

George Diehr of Catharpin  
Elwood Diehr of Aldie  
Bernice Diehr m. \_\_\_\_\_ Randolph of  
Charlottesville  
Louise Diehr m. \_\_\_\_\_ George of Staunton  
Florence Diehr m. \_\_\_\_\_ Kirby of  
Alexandria  
Mary Ann Diehr m. Ben Coffey of Amherst  
Edward Diehr

*Louis Diehr died in 1936.*

NOTE: Ivy said she thought her father was Emmett Ashley.  
Check Nelson County census 1890, 1900. Look for his  
parents, too. Also see Nelson County marriage records  
ca 1900-1920.

Buried at Centenary Memorial Cemetery:

Howard C. Ashley, b. 11-16-1903, d. 9-12-1947

Bland L. Ashley, b. 6-7-1917, d. 5-12-1992

Try 1910 & 1920 census for their family.

Amherst county marriage record"

March 2, 1935:

R. L. Proffitt, 20, farmer, and  
Virginia Catherine Hudson, 16

his parents listed as:

*(They are his <sup>great</sup> grandparents!)* Lewis Proffitt and Elizabeth Bryant !!

Our marriage record:

Robert Lewis Proffitt, Jr., b. 7-4-35, m.

Alice Anne Bryant, b. 9-4-38, on

Jan. 25, 1958, at Chesterfield, S>C>

*Should be  
Elizabeth Dennis*



Information from Ivy Monroe:

Belle was adopted by service people, may have lived in Richmond, Norfolk, or Washington.

Mattie--grease flew in her face and her right eye may be scarred.

Mattie, Ivy, and Belle went to the home in Richmond. Ivy went there on 12-22-1922 and went to live with the Johnsons on 1-31-23.

Where they lived in Nelson County was called Pinchneck Hollow.

Ivy and the other children lived with Richard Proffitt, 84, and Willie Anna Carroll Proffitt, 82.

*Mattie was adopted by John H. & Grace R. Smoot. Her name was changed to Margaret Mae Smoot.*

The adoptive mother of Mattie is now a Morrison.

Ivy lived in Richmond at 2600 W. Carey 1937-1956.

At one time, her sister, Mattie, lived at 140<sup>9</sup>~~0~~ Main St., Richmond, just one street over from Ivy.

Ivy's father may have been Emmett Ashley, a miner.

*→ maybe not, Mattie's name was changed to Margaret Mae Smoot when she was adopted.*

There may have been another child named Margaret.



John Willard Proffitt, 70, d. 9-24-81  
buried in family cemetery near  
Warminster.

To Warminster sign, turn left, Rt. 626.  
To E. Burns mailbox, turn just past that.  
Cemetery has a sign.  
(halfway beterrn Warminster &  
Howardsville)

ROBERT H. IT-PP-17



Gary V  
Preat M

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**IN MEMORY OF  
ROBERT LEWIS PROFFITT**

**SERVICES**

Amherst Funeral Chapel  
Thur. Oct. 22, 1970 2:00 P. M.

**CLERGYMEN**

Rev. Robert Bowman Rev. Edmund Meredith, Jr.

**INTERMENT**

Amherst Cemetery

**BEARERS**

Leslie Fogus  
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Ruth Proffitt  
*Brother* George T. Jones  
6 Grandchildren

Services By Amherst Funeral Chapel

*The Faculty and Senior Class  
of  
Nelson County High School  
announce their  
Commencement Exercises  
Saturday morning, June fourteenth  
Nineteen hundred ninety-seven  
ten o'clock  
Veterans Memorial Field  
Nelson County High School*

*Dwayne Edward Campbell*

*The Senior Class  
of  
Lynchburg Christian Academy*

*announces its  
Commencement Exercises*

*Saturday afternoon, May twenty-ninth  
Nineteen hundred and ninety-nine  
three o'clock*

*Thomas Road Baptist Church  
Sanctuary*



*Charles Stephen Schrader, Jr.*

Robert L Proffitt  
age 54  
Iye River, VA





Although this part is not strictly proven genealogy, I want to include it here, so I can keep it and remember all the times and fun we had while working on it.

We spent many hours and weekends travelling through Nelson County, looking for anybody who could help us sort out this puzzling mess.

We met a good friend, Zeb Ragland, after we went to see Ray Proffitt. Ray wouldn't or couldn't help us, but did say that Zeb Ragland had visited him asking about Proffitts, also.

I came home and found Zeb in the phone book, called him, and we got together.

We visited the Pontons and got some information on Willie. Then we travelled all over Nelson County, asking questions, sometimes getting answers and sometimes nothing.

Some people didn't want to see us, and may have been involved in some of what went on, or were kin to some others who were a part of it.

Anyway, we had a great time digging up this information, although we didn't know much about formal genealogy, or how to go about it. We sort of played detective and had a lot of fun. Later, we looked in courthouse records, libraries, etc., and went to Richmond to look at records there. It's been fun, but very time-consuming, and sometimes frustrating.

Ivy found out where Robert was sometimes in the 60s and came to visit us on Wright Shop Road when Mrs. Proffitt was staying with us for the weekend. We got to know Ivy quite well, and I will record what she has told us a little later. She is still living in 1998 and is now 87 years, still lives by herself in Deltaville, and we visit her sometimes.

We got Hart's phone from Zeb Ragland and I called him. He invited us up to see him in Alexandria, we went but he left before we got there. Guess he didn't want to see us or talk about the past.

I called him again later, and he talked at lot. Here is some of what he told us he remembered:

July 3, 1983:

Hart remembered Richard & Willie Anna, said Richard was part Indian. He lived with Richard and Willie Anna, along with Rose and Lillian when he was a

little boy. He said Richard had an old trunk with a lot of Confederate money in it, and they liked to play with things in his trunk. Richard is buried at the old Loving place near Phenix/ Ann went to live with Charlie, and is buried at Roseland. (We found out she was buried in Jonesboro Church cemetery.) He remembered these children of Richard & Willie Anna Proffitt: 4 girls & 2 boys, and said there may have been one more. He remembered Rose (his mother), Ann, Lillian, Lewis, Samuel, Belle who married a Martin. Samuel was in WWI, finished training and had the flu while at home on furlough, and died.

Jeff Fitzgerald died a natural death when he was very old, and is buried on the place where he lived. His children were Tom, Clarence, and Maggie. Walter & Eddie Fitzgerald, who live at Tye River, and Willard are Jeff's brother Walter's sons.

Ruth's and Flo's father was a Golladay.

Robert's and George's father was Jeff Fitzgerald.

He remembered when Ivy & Belle (Mattie?) were carried away, said they went to Richmond and were adopted.

Bobby's father was Sambo Martin, and Bobby lived with the Taylor's. (He now goes by the name Bobby Diehr.)

Hart's wife's sister Mabel Clements had 5 or 6 boys who live in Lynchburg and Alexandria, and a girl in Fairfax:

Billy, Clay, Wayne, and Riley were some of their names and their father was Henry Clements.

Hart's son married Mary Hudson from Tye River, and had two children, a boy and a girl.

The boy was killed.

Ruth was Lillian's oldest child and came to

Odds and Ends Collected  
Over the Years

A Jonas Profit immigrated to Virginia from England  
in 1606, and a Jacob Prophett came to VA in 1623.

Nelson County:

Robert Henry Proffitt m. Alice \_\_\_\_\_

Their son: James Thomas Proffitt  
m. Ella Jefferson Spencer

Their son: Edward Proffitt

Their daughters: Mary & Lizzie Proffitt

We met these 3 children of James

& Ella Proffitt. They lived

at Tye River and gave Lois a

Civil War tombstone for <sup>grand-</sup>

Robert Henry Proffitt, their father.

Robert H. Proffitt was brother to

Richard H. Proffitt

*On the tombstone:*

*R. H. Proffitt Co. H 30 Va. Cav. CSA*

also Nelson County:

James Madison Proffitt m. Hester M. Eubank

Nelson County birth records:

June, 1857: Mary A. Proffitt

father: O.B. Proffitt, miller

mother: Mary L. Proffitt

June, 1857: Thomas B. Proffitt

father: George E. Proffitt, farmer

mother: Eliza A. Proffitt

Buried in Presbyterian Cemetery, Grace St., Lynchburg,

Wrennie Elena Proffitt

*b. 4-13-1885*

*d. 5-13-1979*

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Once in a while, something really neat happens while we are hunting for genealogical information. This is one of the miracles which happened.

Soon after I got the computer, I went on the Proffit GenForum and found a query from Phillip Clark, who was looking for the family of his birth mother, Mattie Clark.

After much e-mailing back and forth, mostly between Phillip's wife, Maxine, and me, we finally decided that we did have a match, and that Mattie was really Ivy's long-lost sister (or half sister).

Ivy said many times that her greatest wish was to find her baby sister before she died, and I'm glad I was able to help make this wish come true.

Ivy's foster niece, Patsy Mundy, took Ivy to Tioga, PA, shortly after Christmas 1999, and the two sisters had a joyful reunion.

Enclosed is a news clipping which Ivy gave me about their meeting. The article is incorrect, since it states that Pat Mundy was searching the Internet for her aunt's relatives and came across Mattie Clark's name. Not so! I found Mattie, after seeing Phillip's query on GenForum.

Oh, well, the important thing is that Ivy's greatest wish has been fulfilled.

June 2, 1983

Dear Anne,

Thank you for writing and for the information. I checked through my records and couldn't find anything that would help your husband trace his line. You might check in Amherst, that's where I found the David Proffit of my line (1750's). Then back-track to Goochland Co. and the Archives in Richmond. I traced my line back to its beginning in Gooch. It's my belief that all Proffitts in Va. are probably related (originally Prophet). When you're in the library, look for the book The Douglas Register. There are Proffitts in it.

A woman in Carlysville contacted me and said she had a book Proffitt Family Heritage. I'm going to go look at the book and see if it would help us.

I'll add the information about your husband to what I have. Maybe someone in the future can use it.

My line goes back to Floyd, Franklin, Amherst, and Goochland Counties.

My line is as follows:

Bonnie Mann -

Roanoke { Betty Proffit - Alvin Mann  
          { John F. Proffit - Pearl Slusher  
Floyd { Charles E. Proffit - Emmazetta Overstreet  
          { William M. Proffit - Barbara Spangler  
Franklin { Harvey Proffit - Sarah Barton  
           { Austin Proffit - Patsy Lakes  
Amhurst { Augustine Proffit - Elizabeth Robertson  
           { David Proffit, Jr. - Elizabeth Smith  
Goodland { Silvester Proffit - Alice

I'm hearing from a lot of Proffitts.  
I didn't know there were so many all  
around Va. I'm going to print up my  
line this summer, but will continue working  
to compile a comprehensive listing.

Bonnie Mann

MISS BONNIE MANN  
3566 OVERBROOK DR  
ROANOKE VA 24018

Robert and Anne Proffitt  
Rt. 7, Wells Rd.  
Madison Kytt., Va.  
24572





June 6, 1983

Dear Anne and Robert,

I went to a Proffitt reunion in Charlottesville Sunday and I think I may have found some of your relatives. I'll need to know Richard Proffitt's brothers and sisters and all his children. Several Proffitts at the reunion are related to Richard Proffitt, Richard W., Sr. and Richard W., Jr.

If you'd like to contact them, here is an address:

Richard and Willah Proffitt

Rt. 2 Box 33

Earlsville, Va. 22936

In case you'd like to meet these Proffitts, their reunion will be the 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in June next year.

Bonnie Mann

11-3  
Sent her  
Ann + Rose's ch.

Subj: Proffitt's  
Date: 97-11-02 13:22:51 EST  
From: SBRIDE1  
To: ABP38

Hi Sorry I don't know your name.....

First to answer your question about why Robert & George have the "Proffitt" name. The person I got my info from, had marriage status as "unknown". We never knew whether or not Lilian and Henry married before or after the boys were born. Would like some insight into that as well. I have not actually gotten any of this familys data from anyone in the direct line. Would love to get all you have on the complete line. → Sent 11-3

I am not on the internet. I have used it, but not ventured out into setting myself up. Some of the Winch database has some incorrect data on my family. I guess it's a good starting place. I am only spending the \$\$\$ to try and verify my direct line. I have been working on this since 1980 (off & on also) and have already spent hundreds of dollars in birth, marriage, death certs, as well as military records, not to mention postage. The main reason I'm not on the internet yet is because I hate putting out incorrect data. It does happen tho, and is very hard to control. I have found some people just get the info and pass it on, (Myself included if it's not in my direct line) which is how so many errors get out. I guess we all just want to help. I feel it's up to each of us to verify our own direct line and do the best we can. I do have a lot of backup on other lines tho, in relation to census records. (That is free, it just takes a lot of time.) Unfortunately, census takers misspelled, and I have even found a lot of date errors. I don't know if the person giving the data didn't understand, didn't want to be found in later years, or just what. It's so frustrating to us geneologists.

I will be happy to share my information. My computer program (Family Tree Maker by Broderbund) allows me to send anyone an outline which will include birth, marriage & death dates & locations (providing I have them). My file is so large, that even with a gedcom, I cannot include notes. Very unfortunate, since my notes tell what backup I have.

What program do you have? Does it have gedcom capabilities? I would appreciate any information you can correct or send new. Here is what I have on your line.....after I made what corrections you did note.....

#### Descendants of Richard H Proffitt

1 Richard H PROFFITT b: August 1825 in Nelson Co., VA  
+Willie A CARROLL b: July 1849 in Nelson Co., VA m: 07 August 1871 in Nelson Co., VA  
..... 2 Unknown PROFFITT b: in Nelson Co., VA d: in Nelson Co., VA  
..... 2 Elizabeth R PROFFITT b: Abt. 1871 in Nelson Co., VA  
..... +D MARTIN b: Abt. 1858 in Nelson Co., VA m: November 1892 in Nelson Co., VA  
..... 2 Anne PROFFITT b: April 1876 in Nelson Co., VA  
..... 2 [1] Lewis H PROFFITT b: August 1878 in Nelson Co., VA  
..... +Birdie BRAGG m: Bef. 1904  
..... 3 Emma PROFFITT  
..... 3 Willie PROFFITT  
..... \*2nd Wife of [1] Lewis H Proffitt:  
..... +Cora Lee MARTIN b: Abt. 1885 in Nelson Co., VA m: September 1905 in Nelson Co., VA  
..... 3 Irene M PROFFITT b: Abt. 1908 in Nelson Co., VA  
..... +Robert WILLIAM b: Abt. 1908 in Nelson Co., VA m: 24 July 1929 in Nelson Co., VA  
..... 3 Essie PROFFITT b: Abt. 1910 in Nelson Co., VA  
..... 3 Mattie M PROFFITT b: Abt. 1911 in Nelson Co., VA  
..... +Wilton H BRYANT b: 01 January 1909 in Nelson Co., VA d: May 1980 in Amherst Co., VA m: 20  
December 1932 in Nelson Co., VA  
..... 3 Cora Lee PROFFITT b: 11 August 1915 in Nelson Co., VA  
..... +Otho William CLEMENTS b: November 1909 in VA d: 07 September 1972 in Amherst Co., VA m:  
19 January 1933 in Nelson Co., VA  
..... 3 Raymond PROFFITT b: 17 October 1917 in Nelson Co., VA

..... 3 Sadie Ann PROFFITT b: Abt. 1925 in Nelson Co., VA  
 ..... +William Edgar SMOOT b: Abt. 1920 in Amherst Co., VA m: 24 April 1948 in Nelson Co., VA  
 ..... 3 Carrie Katherine PROFFITT b: Abt. 1926 in Nelson Co., VA  
 ..... +Raymond Clark SCOTT m: 24 December 1947 in Nelson Co., VA  
 ..... 2 Rosa Etta PROFFITT b: July 1884 in Nelson Co., VA  
 ..... +Lyle R. JENNINGS  
 ..... 2 Lilian Carrie PROFFITT b: June 1888 in Nelson Co., VA d: 07 December 1961  
 ..... +Henry Jefferson FITZGERALD  
 ..... 3 George PROFFITT b: in Phenix, Nelson, NC  
 ..... 3 Robert Lewis PROFFITT b: 16 April 1915 in Phenix, Nelson, VA d: 20 October 1970  
 ..... +Virginia Catherine HUDSON b: 28 March 1919 in Tye River, Nelson, NC d: 02 November 1977  
 ..... 4 Robert Lewis PROFFITT b: 04 July 1935 in Tye River, Nelson, NC  
 ..... +Alice Anne BRYANT b: 04 September 1938 in Lynchburg, Campbell, VA  
 ..... 4 Virginia Lois PROFFITT b: 15 August 1940 in Tye River, Nelson, NC  
 ..... +Tinchley CAMPBELL  
 ..... 4 Linda Faye PROFFITT b: 28 April 1954 in Tye River, Nelson, NC  
 ..... +Charles SCHRADER  
 ..... 4 Patricia Ann PROFFITT b: 22 May 1957 in Tye River, Nelson, NC  
 ..... +Gregory BROWN  
 ..... 4 Richard S PROFFITT b: 01 April 1959 in Tye River, Nelson, NC  
 ..... +Donna TRENT  
 ..... 2 Samuel PROFFITT b: August 1892 in Nelson Co., VA

As you can see, I'm missing a lot of dates, names, & locations of happenings.

My line goes from Sylvester (1698) & Alice Pleasant  
 ...John Prophet, Sr (abt 1734) & Susannah Arrington  
 .....James Wesley Proffitt, Sr (1766) & Mary Clawson (1774)  
 .....William Proffitt (abt 1796) & Sarah Wilson (abt 1802)  
 .....John Riley Proffitt (1819) & Mary Ann Honeycutt (1822)  
 .....Henderson Straley Proffitt (1840) & Mary Ann Kesterson (1844)  
 .....John Andrew Jackson Proffitt (1871) & Stella Angeline Somerville (1894)  
 .....Hartzel Lee Proffitt (1912) & Dorothy Padoshek (1916)  
 to myself...Sandra Lou Proffitt (1939) (m) John Joseph McBride (1936)

Well, you can see what I am missing on your line, and I'll be happy to share what I have on my line.

Where do you live? AZ?

Thanks much,

Sandie

Proffitt marriages in Amherst County

July 29, 1866 Wm. N. Proffitt & Isetta Carter  
Nov. 12, 1866 Henry J. Proffitt & Mildred A. Thomas  
Oct. 17, 1870 P.H. Proffitt & Jenetta B. Ballard  
Nov. 30, 1870 Edward F. Proffitt & Ann E. Carter  
Dec. 14, 1870 Allison Proffitt & Mattie Ware  
May 28, 1884 Charles Henry Proffitt &  
Annie Malinda Fallwell  
Oct. 21, 1884 James M. Proffitt & Signora J. Eubank  
Dec. 27, 1886 Charles W. Proffitt & Mary A. Mays  
Aug. 25, 1887 T. Jackson Proffitt & Laura C.  
Litchford  
Oct. 6, 1890 John Proffitt & Rosa Williams  
Nov. 20, 1891 Wm. H. Proffitt & Nannie Carter  
May 7, 1892 T. J. Proffitt & Millie A. Tyler  
Aug. 6, 1895 Lee Proffitt & Ella Mays  
July 20, 1896 E. M. Proffitt & Ada B. Fulcher  
Feb. 12, 1898 Joseph E. Proffitt & Lillie B.  
Christian  
Feb. 8, 1900 Albert E. Proffitt & Lena E. Jones  
Feb. 15, 1904 M. A. Proffitt & Tessie D. Staples  
Apr. 3, 1906 John B. Proffitt & Ora h. JONES  
Jan. 22, 1908 Montellus Proffitt & Rosa Fields  
Nov. 6, 1917 Henry L. Proffitt & Rosa Lee Lyons  
Oct. 22, 1921 Reason Proffitt & Elsie Jackson

# TERM REPORT—Elementary and High Schools

Division Nelson District Lovington School Fye River  
 Teacher Mary J. Carter Race W. School Year 1928-29  
(Mrs. or Miss)

**DIRECTIONS.**—With ink write below in alphabetical order first the names of boys, and then the names of girls, giving in each case the surname first. Give in column two, age on September 1st. See the register for method of computing average attendance and percentage of attendance. Under school subjects below, write a fraction in proper space after each name, the numerator to show the grade the pupil is in for current session and the denominator the grade to which promoted; modify subject titles for high school use.

NAMES OF PUPILS	No. of miles from school		Days on roll	Days present	Reading	Spelling	Writing	English	Mathematics	Community Study	Hist.	Hib.	Civics	Geography	Hygiene	Physical Ed.	17
	1	2															
Bryant Clarence	2	14	134	110	$\frac{4}{4}$				Failed								
" Burnard	1/2	15	36	29	$\frac{4}{4}$				Failed								
" Arthur	1	12	179	143	$\frac{5}{6}$				Promoted								
" Roy	1	12	153	111	$\frac{5}{5}$				Failed								
Bailey Edsworth	4	10	179	154	$\frac{4}{5}$				Promoted								
Banton Percy	6	17	91	42	$\frac{5}{5}$				Failed								
Collins Jess	4	13	176	145	$\frac{6}{6}$				Promoted								
Dumheller Binyon	2	9	179	171	$\frac{4}{5}$				Promoted								
Fields Robert	0	9	179	177	$\frac{4}{5}$				Promoted								
Hudson Leroy	1	11	156	100	$\frac{4}{4}$				Failed								
Harvey John	6	11	179	137	$\frac{6}{6}$				Promoted								
Jennings Harold	3	14	131	57	$\frac{5}{5}$				Failed								
Smith John	1	12	179	179	$\frac{6}{6}$				Promoted								
Walker Rufus	1	12	179	155	$\frac{4}{5}$				Promoted								
Wright William	5	14	179	146	$\frac{5}{5}$				Promoted								
Williams Kelly	1/8	14	116	99	$\frac{5}{5}$				Failed								
Proffitt Robert	2	14	100	55	$\frac{4}{4}$				Failed								
Banton Inez	6	14	157	111	$\frac{5}{10}$				Promoted								
" Louise	6	13	157	109	$\frac{5}{6}$				Promoted								
" Pauline	6	12	157	112	$\frac{4}{5}$				Promoted								
Carter Grace	3	11	179	158	$\frac{4}{4}$				Failed								
Gowen Lelia	2	16	93	72	$\frac{5}{5}$				Failed								
Jurner William	2	15	71	31	$\frac{4}{4}$				Failed								

SUMMARIES FOR TERM		
No. of months taught	<u>9</u>	
No. of days school was open	<u>179</u>	
No. days teacher was present	<u>179</u>	
	Boys	Girls
1. Total enrollment	<u>18</u>	<u>5</u>
2. Average daily attendance	<u>11+</u>	<u>3+</u>
3. Total days on roll	<u>2576</u>	<u>743</u>
4. Total days present	<u>2041</u>	<u>562</u>
5. Per cent attendance	<u>.79</u>	<u>.75</u>
6. No. promoted grades 1-4	<u>5</u>	<u>1</u>
7. No. failed grades 1-4	<u>0</u>	<u>1</u>
8. No. dropped grades 1-4	<u>5</u>	<u>0</u>
9. Total No. enr'd grades 1-4	<u>10</u>	<u>2</u>
10. No. promoted grades 5-7	<u>4</u>	<u>2</u>
11. No. failed grades 5-7	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
12. No. dropped grades 5-7	<u>4</u>	<u>1</u>
13. Total No. enr'd grades 5-7	<u>8</u>	<u>3</u>
14. No. promoted grades 8-9	<u>—</u>	<u>—</u>
15. No. failed grades 8-9	<u>—</u>	<u>—</u>
16. No. dropped grades 8-9	<u>—</u>	<u>—</u>
17. Total No. enr'd grades 8-9	<u>—</u>	<u>—</u>
18. No. promoted grades 10-11	<u>—</u>	<u>—</u>
19. No. failed grades 10-11	<u>—</u>	<u>—</u>
20. No. dropped grades 10-11	<u>—</u>	<u>—</u>
21. Total No. enr'd grades 10-11	<u>—</u>	<u>—</u>
22.	<u>—</u>	<u>—</u>

NOTE.—The totals, boys and girls, items 6, 7 and 8 above, will be the same as the total, boys and girls, item 9, in the same way the totals for items 10, 11 and 12 will equal the total for item 13; the totals for items 14, 15 and 16, will equal the total for item 17; and the totals for items 18, 19 and 20, will equal the total for item 21. The total of items 9, 13, 17 and 21, will equal the total of item 1. This careful checking of the above table shall be made before the report is turned in at the superintendent's office. The items of the above table must agree with the corresponding items in the age-grade distribution table shown on the other side of this sheet. Note the special instructions given under this table.

INSTRUCTION	
25. Could pupils secure textbooks at contract prices?	<u>Yes</u>
26. No. hours devoted to instruction in elementary school branches	<u>5 1/2</u>
27. No. hours devoted to instruction in high school branches	<u>0</u>
28. Did you use State course of study?	<u>Yes</u>
29. Is there a United States flag in school-house?	<u>No.</u>

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April 23, 1981

Mr. Robert L. Proffitt, Jr.  
Route 7 Wells Rd.  
Madison Heights, Va.

Dear Mr. Proffitt:

When I was filing the records away, I pulled several school records looking at random for Proffitts'. In the Tye River folder I did find a Robert Proffitt who was 14 years old in 1928. This could or could not be your father. I looked backward to see if he had been enrolled before this year and I could not find the name again.

Also in the Tye River folder, there was a Mary Proffitt, age 11, school year 1923 and in the year 1922-23 there was a Harvey Proffitt- age 7, Russell Proffitt-age 6, and a William Proffitt-age 9.

Hope this helps.

Sincerely,



Annie M. Roach, Secretary

Enclosure



James R. Proffitt, Director

Dear Anne,

I have exciting news for you and fellow Proffitts! As you may already know, extensive work has been done throughout the world on a project relating to our Proffitt family name. Now our new book, "THE WORLD BOOK OF PROFFITTS," is about to be published and it includes individual Proffitts who immigrated to the New World between the 16th and early 20th centuries.

The first Proffitt we found came to Ohio in 1849. His name was Philip. Like thousands of others, he sought a better life for himself in this land of opportunity.

Philip, or any of the other Proffitts who are documented in this new book, may be the sole reason you and I live here today. This hard-to-find Proffitt immigration information was obtained from reference books indexing ships' passenger lists, genealogical registers and other official records. In addition to information about Philip and these other early Proffitt settlers, you'll also be provided with an international directory of virtually every Proffitt household (with address). You, Anne Proffitt, are listed in this section of the book.

This has been an enormous project! There are now over 3,603 households bearing the Proffitt name worldwide. Using a sophisticated computer network, more than 170 million records were searched in the United States, Canada, Australia, New Zealand, England, Scotland, Wales, Northern Ireland, Ireland, the Netherlands, France, Germany, Austria, Switzerland, Italy, Spain and South Africa to provide you with this never-before-published Proffitt International Directory. It has been our goal to locate as many Proffitts as possible.

This unique publication also covers how family names originated and what the distinguished Proffitt name means, the development of family crests with ancient symbols, as well as an artist's drawing of an early Proffitt Coat of Arms dating back centuries that is translated into everyday language. You'll even find exciting details about how you can trace your family heritage back to the Proffitt homeland and learn even more about your family's origin.

To my knowledge, this remarkable collection of valuable information is available only in "THE WORLD BOOK OF PROFFITTS." Each Proffitt Directory is virtually handmade to order, and is illustrated in full color. Please note, however, that this Heirloom Edition is expected to be the only printing of the Proffitt book, ever.

You risk nothing. You can reserve your copy(s) for a deposit of just \$5.00 per book. Your satisfaction is guaranteed. But you must order now! The number of copies printed will be determined by the number of print orders we receive by January 25, 1995.

P.S. Remember, you risk nothing. You send just \$5.00 now. Please see your PROFFITT RESERVATION FORM for details.

Sincerely,

*James R. Proffitt i. a.*

Willah M. Proffitt  
Route 2, Box ~~22~~ 33  
Earlsville, Va. 22936

Dear Robert and Anne;

I have the "Proffitt Family Heritage" and I shall be glad for you to come over and look at it. It has all the Proffitts in 1980 all over the world. Some of my husband's Uncles spell their names with one t, so I don't guess it matters how you spell it. Bonnie Mann is putting her book out to be printed in July. She says the first name was spelled Prophet. I get mail some times spelled that way. The lady who worked to get the book I have said there were not as many Proffitts as most other names.

Some one is sending me a list of names this week and I am supposed to mail them to Benny. My husband is Richard Walker Proffitt Jr. - His father was Richard Walker P. Sr. Her grandfather was Richard Willie Proffitt and my son is Richard Walker Proffitt III



I think that makes four generations that is what Bonnie is asking for. I have been away and have not had time to find out the family names etc. Robert Proffitt in Charlottesville is getting that information for us. I hope you Proffitts are relatives of the Proffitts here. We are relatives of the Bonny Mann Proffitts we have Roberts, Lewis, Richard etc. so it sounds like family names.

That's not much help but, the book may be a great help if you go into detail. I imagine you saw my Bonnie's book which should be a great help.

My sister had a secretarial <sup>job</sup> at Sweet Briar College about 1931 or 32 she roomed with a Mrs. Bayant. I wonder if you knew her. My sister married & I got the job and I remember there were many Proffitts there but, I didn't remember their names. My mother was a Tribber and she had apts in Lynchburg. One was an Aunt ~~Burt~~ Hudson. I'm getting off the subject. We live on Rt. 660 and it is about 3 miles below Whites Store in Earlysville. If you come in by the air port. It's about 1 1/2 mi. from the Fire Station and our box is large & has R. W. Proffitt on top. Call if you like. 973-6750  
Willah Wood Proffitt  
Richard Proffitt

WILLIAM M. PROFFITT  
RT. 2 BOX 33  
EARLYSVILLE, VA.  
22936



Mr. & Mrs. Robert Proffitt  
Rt. 7, Wells Road  
Madison Heights, Va. 24572

Mrs. Willah Proffitt  
Rt. 2 Box ~~2~~ 33  
Earlsville, Virginia 22936

Hi Cousins,

The Proffitt reunion  
will be held on Sunday,  
June 3rd, at a shelter  
in Mc Intire Park, <sup>in Charlottesville</sup> on  
250 by-pass. Hope to  
see you and your  
friends there.

You come on 29  
pass Barracks Road  
Shopping Center and  
watch for 250 by-pass  
on the right. It's just  
a little way out like

you are going to  
Richmond, on the  
left. If you get to  
Free Bridge you have  
gone too far.

Love to each of  
you,

Nicola Pratt

It starts about 11 o'clock  
dinner about 1 o'clock.  
Bonnie will be there  
with the last half of her book.

Proffitt  
Adms.  
Bonds.  
John sec<sup>d</sup>.

Know all men by these presents, That we  
are held and firmly bound unto Ho. Rivers, J.  
Justices of the Peace for the County of Nelson  
and full sum of One thousand dollars, to  
Justices, and to their successors, we bind our  
jointly and severally, by these presents. Made  
and 1830. Jan. 25, 1830

The condition of this obligation is, that  
goods, chattels and credits of John Proffitt  
~~and singular the goods, chattels and credits~~  
possession or knowledge of him the said  
other person or persons, for him, and the  
County, when he shall be thereunto req<sup>d</sup>  
credits do well and truly administer a  
true account of his actings and doings  
rest of the said goods, chattels and credits  
of the said administration, the same be  
said Court, for the time being, shall det<sup>r</sup>  
entitled to the same by law; and if it sh

1  
Austin Wright, Taverner London & James Proffitt  
J. Murrell Law & Henry W. M. Maffee, Gentlemen,  
now sitting in Court, and their successors, in the just  
rich payment well and truly to be made to the said  
Eves, and each of our heirs, executors and administrators,  
with our seals, and dated this 25th day of June.

if the said Austin Wright, administrator of the  
said, do make a true and perfect inventory of all  
of the said deceased, which have or shall come to the  
said Austin Wright, or in the hands or possession of any  
one, so made, do exhibit into the Court of New York  
and by the said court; and such goods, chattels and  
rights to law; and further, do make a just and  
return, when thereto required by said court, of all the  
which shall be found remaining upon the account  
of just expenses and allowed by the Justices of the  
said court, and pay unto such persons respectively, as are  
all hereafter appear, that any last Will and Testa-

profession or knowledge of him the said  
other person or persons, for him, and the  
County, when he shall be thereunto re-  
quired do well and truly administer a  
true account of his actings and doings  
rest of the said goods, chattels and credits  
of the said administration, the same to  
said Court, for the time being, shall be  
entitled to the same by law, and if it  
was made by the said deceased,  
have a certificate of the probat thereof  
required, under and deliver up his letters  
to remain in full force.

At a Court held for Nelson County, to  
this Administrator's bond was  
presented, and ordered to be record

...Austin Wright, or in the name of the said Austin Wright  
...so made, do exhibit into the Court of Arizona  
...by the said court; and such goods, chattels and  
...to law; and further, do make a just and  
...herein, when the same are required by said court, & all the  
...which shall be found remaining upon the account  
...first examined and allowed by the Justices of the  
...and pay unto such persons respectively, as are  
...all hereafter appears, that my last Will and Testa-  
...the same be proved in Court, and the executor ob-  
...and the said Austin Wright do, in such case, being  
...of administration, then this obligation to be void,

Austin Wright  
Lavender Dowdow  
James Croffit

L.S.  
L.S.  
L.S.

25th day of January 1830.

...entered and acknowledged in open Court, by the

Teste  
Sp. Garland, Ck





JOHN C. OLIVER  
BOX 37  
SHIPMAN, VA  
22971



Mrs Anne Proffitt  
135 Wells Rd  
Madison Heights, Va 24572



P.S.

Sharon, our friend in Arizona, called awhile back and was telling me about looking for her mother, since she and her twin sister Karen, were ~~at~~ adopted at birth. When she said the name, I asked her the spelling and it's the same as Bobbys' so, I told her about you and the genealogy, etc. Do you know any of these or have any info she might be interested in? By the way, she found out her mother was killed in an accident a few years ago.

As far back as she's gotten so far, ~~is~~  
- WILLIAM and ELIZABETH PROFFITT and son  
DAVID IN 1720

~~WILLIAM PROFFITT~~  
- WILLIAM DIED 11-28-1804 in Campbell  
County, TENNESSEE

All related - ~~WILLIAM PROFFITT~~ RAY PROFFITT D.O.B. 3-1-174  
D.O.D. 10-31-181

JOHN MARK PROFFITT <sup>BORN</sup> 5-28-1830 SULLIVAN CTY, TN

RAYMOND PROFFITT BORN 5-2-1896 in

RAYMOND, KANSAS DIED 8-29-1951

HAD Daughter BONNIE RAY (Sharon's mother)  
(Sharon doesn't know her mothers' D.O.B., yet.)

Nelson County Deeds:

Book 15, p. 405  
6-27-1859 David Proffitt

Book 9, p. 478: James Proffitt 3-1-1842

Book 1, p. 35: Jesse Proffitt 8-28-1809

Book 10, p. 283: Robert N. Proffitt

4-27-1843

Information from Kelly Chumley's grandmother:

Kelly's grandparents:

Judy Belle Gowen ~~Chumley~~  
Homer Gowen

Parents of Homer Gowen:

Rennie Belle Proffitt Gowen  
Homer Garland Gowen

Parents of Rennie Belle Proffitt:

Joseph Ewell Proffitt  
Lila Belle Christian Proffitt

Gowens lived at Phenix. See Jean Scruggs. She was  
a Gowen ,. See Alma Lawhorne.  
See Margaret Proffitt, Connecticut Ave.

Ewell Proffitt's brother, John Proffitt, ran a  
store in the forks of the road. He lived about  
one mile past St. Stephens Church.

His sister married \_\_\_\_\_ Simpson.

Brother Jim was the father of  
Norman and Frances  
Sister Phoebe

Amherst marriage record from her Bible:

Joseph E. Proffitt married Lillie B.  
Christian

Homer Garland Gowen, Jr., b. 11-11-1922 Nelson

Kelly Chumbley's g. parents =  
(Gudy Belle Gowen & Homer Gowen, Jr.)

Parents of Homer Gowen, Jr. =  
Homer Garland Gowen, Sr.,  
& Rennie Belle Proffitt

Parents of Homer Garland Gowen, Sr. =  
John Henry Gowen & Janie Veas

Parents of Rennie Belle Proffitt =  
Joseph Ewell Proffitt  
& Lila Belle Christian <sup>or Lillie</sup>

These Gowens lived at Phenix - Nelson Co.  
Ewell Proffitt's brother = John  
Proffitt who ran a store in the  
forks of the road <sup>at</sup> Phenix -  
He lived about one mile past  
St. Stephens Church -

Kenneth Chumbley 929-8031

Albemarle County marriages:

Wm. Proffitt & Sarah E. Holbert  
m. 12-21-1839

W. J. Proffitt & Olive T. Bybee  
m. 5-27-1899

Edward C. Proffitt & Mary E. Clark  
m. 6-30-1915

James Proffitt & Blanche Dabney  
m. 5-13-1921

Thomas Proffitt & Ethel Wood  
m. 7-6-1925

Proffitts buried in Amherst Cemetery:

May B. Proffitt Spencer  
3-18-1883 to 6-13-1952

Pocahontas Proffitt  
3-6-1879 to 1-6-1949  
Husband: Benjamin Franklin Camden  
1-15-1874 to 9-7-1961

Tessie Proffitt 8-30-1884 to 11-29-1965

Ethel R. Proffitt 12-8-1904 to 12-18-1962

Hazel Proffitt 8-22-1928 to 3-22-1965

T. J. Proffitt (mother-Sophia or Sophie)

T  
his family was originally from Tenn. & Ky. Most  
Most are blond and blue eyed. Jeff Proffitt  
had dark hair and eyes. (their cousin)

Tom's uncles: Ed Proffitt, Ulysses or Orthell

James Proffitt-Tom Proffitt-Randy Proffitt

Esco "Ed" Proffitt moved from Kentucky to Tenn. to VA  
Graveyard on Tenn-Va. line, Middlebrook,  
Cumberland Gap, is where their kin are buried.

Michigan Proffitts, given by Anita:

A woman with 11 children came to Michigan.  
These Proffitts came from West Va.

Ed Proffitt moved to West Va.  
Ed's brother was Granville Proffitt, whose  
wife was Lizzie Proffitt. Son, one was Ed.

Eleanor's sister:

Margaret Wright married Ralph Proffitt  
son of Eglon & Ada Fulcher Proffitt

James Riley Proffitt, b. 1919

his son: James R. Proffitt m. Ruth Ann  
Pannell, 1945

daughter: Cynthia L. Proffitt

Amherst County marriages:

Sallie C. Proffitt m. Alexander W. Boxley  
on 3-17-1862

11-2-1866: Eliza A. Proffitt m. Robert W.  
Lenthecum

1-29-1867 Belinda Proffitt m. Camm S. Carter

5-9-1868 Sarah Proffitt m. James P. Mays

5-9-1868 Hester Proffitt m. Thomas Ricketts

11-25-1872 Mollie Preoffitt m. James M. Ware

3-19-1886 Sarah O. Proffitt m. Joseph P. Rhodes

4-18-1895 Lizzie Proffitt m. Thomas J. Mays

8-17-1898 Pocahontas Proffitt m. Benjamin F.  
Camden

4-24-1911 Lillian Proffitt m. Alexander L.  
Staples

12-31-1938 Essie B. Proffitt m. Forest Sandidge  
Hudson

son: Jordan B. Proffitt m. Rochelle Marie  
Kidd

son: Mark William Proffitt m. Leann Proffitt

daughter: Joyce Ann Proffitt m. Ronald Horsley  
Stevens

1808-1850 Nelson marriages:

James Proffitt & Sally Ann Dennis



Census Records

1850 Nelson county:

Lewis Proffitt, farmer, 65  
Elizabeth, 45  
Richard H., 23  
Sarah, 25  
Ellender, 20  
Mary, 18  
Margaret, 12  
Robert H., 16

1850  
65  
1785x

1860, Variety Mills:

Lewis Proffitt, farmer, 70  
Elizabeth, 60  
Sarah A., 36  
Richard H., 34, farmer  
Martha E., 29  
Mary E., 27  
Robert H., 25  
Margaret L., 20  
John II, 13  
Ann E., 8  
James Johnson, 73, school teacher

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1860  
70  
1789  
1789

1860, Willow Bank:

George W. Carroll, 38, carpenter  
Mildred A., 38  
Paul A., 12  
Willie A., 10  
Richard B., 8  
George A., 4  
Mary E., 1  
Pocahontas R. Woody, 63  
(mother of Mildred)

1860 census:

Ro Proffitt, 41, farmer, b. ca. 1819  
Eliza W., 43  
Mary L, 15  
Elizabeth E., 13  
Norborne A., 8

Ray Proffitt, Arrington)

(1880 and 1890 missing)

1900, Nelson county:

Richard Proffitt, b. Aug. 1825, age 74

Willie A., b. July 1849, age 50

Ann, b. April 1876, age 24

Lewis, b. Aug. 4, 1878, age 21

Rose, b. July 1884, age 15

Lillian, b. June 1888, age 11

Samuel, b. Aug. 1892, age 7

*lists Willie Anna and mother of J. C. Lewis*

1900 Nelson County: Lovington district

James Proffitt, b. Nov., 1858, age 41

Ella J., b. Oct. 1877, age 22

Eliza B., dau., b. Oct. 1896, age 3

Sarah, dau., b. Aug. 1899, age 9 mo.

Henry H., bro

ther, b. July 1854, age 46

1870 census, Nelson county

Proffitt, Robert, 50, farmer

Eliza W., 52

Mary L., 24

Alice B., 23

Henry, 16

Robert J., 14

1870: Proffitt, James H., 23, farmer

Sarah, 20

Ella, 15

1910 Nelson County census:

Ann proffitt, 30

Helen, 9

Charles

Nellie, 2

Lewis H. Proffitt, 32

Cora L., 23, wife

Essie, J., 11

Emma, 8

1910 Nelson County census

Richard Proffitt, 84

Willie Anna, 62 , wife

Ann, 36

Rose, 34

Lillian, 20

Samuel, 19

Walter, grandson, 5

Hartwell, grandson, 3

Ruth, granddaughter, 3

Florence, granddaughter, 1

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1860  
census

Henry H., 3  
James W., 1, b. 1859

Frances Proffitt, 52  
Elizabeth, 36  
Anne, 24  
Willie Anna, 9  
Artheria, 5  
Ann M., 10 months

Jane proffitt, 74  
Araena, 45  
Adaline, 36  
Mary F., 43  
James, 12  
Sarah L., 9  
Ellen S., 4

William H. Proffitt, 29  
Sarah, 25  
Almona, 3  
Sarah P., 3 months

David Proffitt, 38  
Sally , 33

Samuel Proffitt, 50  
Nancy, 40  
Malenda, 10  
Alexander, 8

1870 Nelson County census

1870, Lovington:

Richard Proffitt, 44, farmer

Elizabeth, 65

Sarah Ann, 46

Ellen, 39

Mary, 37

Margaret, 32

James, 24

Bettie, 18 (daughter of Pearcie, mother of

1900 Census, Nelson County :

Thomas J. Proffitt, 50, Apr 1850  
Mildred A., wife, 47, b. 1857  
Emma L., Dau., b. 1884, 16

1900 census, Nelson county:

John Proffitt, Dec. 1845, 54  
Sallie, mother, May 1823, 77  
Ellen, sister, Feb. 1829  
Margaret, sister, Feb. 1839, 61  
Bettie, niece, May 1852  
Percy, nephew, June 1872, 27

1850 Nelson County census:

James Proffitt, 47  
Sarah, 42  
Eliza, 18  
James, 16  
Henry, 13  
Wm., 17  
Edward, 9  
George, 7  
Wm. Woody, 6  
Sarah, 9

1910 Census, Nelson County:

James Proffitt, 65  
Percy, nephew, 34  
Betty, cousin, 57  
Ellen, cousin, 80  
Sallie, cousin, 85  
Peggy, cousin, 68

1900 census, Nelson County:

Thomas J. Proffitt, 50, April 1850  
Laura, wife, 33, Aug. 1866  
Sarah Proffitt, dau., June 1889, 10  
Wm. J., son, Feb. 1893, 7  
Jno. B., son, Aug. 1895, 6  
Clinton L, son, Jan. 1877, 3  
Eugene F., Feb. 1900, 4 mo.  
Henry C., nephew, Sept. 1878, 21

1900 census, Nelson County:

James H. Proffitt, June 1847, 52  
Judith, wife, Oct. 1856, 43  
Lydia, dau. , Nov. 1879, 20  
Mariette, dau., Dec. 1880, 19  
Phoebe, dau., Mar. 1882, 18  
James, son, Feb. 1884, 16  
Jno. H., son, Oct. 1890, 9  
Judy, dau., Jan. 1892, 8

1850 Nelson County Census:  
LittlePage Proffitt, 32, Overseer  
Ann E., 25  
Clemantha, 4  
Edmonia, 1

James Proffitt, 36 , Carpenter  
(listed under John McCraw, Teacher

James W. Proffitt, 75, farmer  
Judith, 18  
Pulaski, 8 mo.

Obadiah Proffitt, 66  
Ann T. Proffitt, 53  
Gideon Proffitt, 4  
Obadiah " , 19  
Lucy " , 16  
Josiah " , 18

Amherst County Census 1860

Sarable Proffitt, 17  
Patrick H. Proffitt, 15

James Proffitt, 53  
Sallie, 52  
Eliza, 26

James M. Proffitt, 24  
Wm. Proffitt, 20  
Edward, 19  
George W., 15  
Sarah, 13

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1907 Deed, Nelson County

This deed made the 23rd day of May in the year nineteen hundred and seven between Mrs. J. W. Scruggs of the first part and Richard H. Proffitt of the second part.

Whereas, that for and in consideration of \$87.50 , the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, as payment in full for a tract of land situated in Nelson County, VA, containing ten acres of land, a part of the estate of W. L. Scruggs, deceased, bound as follows: on the south side by the estate of Mrs. J. W. Scruggs, on the west side by the estate of A. B. Bolton and by the estate of Jeff Fitzgeralds on the north and by Lewis Proffitt on the east. The said Mrs. J. W. Scruggs of the first part, doth grant unto the said Richard H. Proffitt of the second part all her interst in the said ten acres of land more or less. ( )Josie W. Scruggs)

Nelson County Land Deeds

Grantee: May 27, 1907 Lewis Proffitt, 10 acres  
Grantor: Josie M. Scruggs Book 33, p. 225

Grantee: Littlepage R. Proffitt  
Grantor: Daniel D. Scruggs, Sr.  
book 9, p. 437  
80 acres Jan. 4, 1842

Grantee: Richard H. Proffitt, 1907

Grantor: Josie M. Scruggs, 10  
acres  
page 226

Grantee: R. H. Proffitt  
Grantor: J. M. Proffitt, Est.  
2 acres, 1905, Lowesville

Grantee: T. Jackson Proffitt  
Grantor : Wm. H. Proffitt, 1897 deed  
Mr. Stephens children  
book 27, p. 507  
12 acres

Grantee: Gideon & Eliza Proffitt  
Grantor: Chas. L. Martin  
5 acres book 28, pg. 434

Grantee: Joseph E. Matthews  
Grantor: Littlepage R. Proffitt  
21 30/160 acres  
near Fabers Mill

Jan 2, 1900 book 28, p.434

Grantee: Leonard Powell  
Grantor: Littlepage R. Proffitt

Jan. 4, 1842 157 acres  
near Warminster

Grantee: R. H. Proffitt  
Grantor: Jordan M. Proffitt  
March 27, 1905 book 31, p. 461  
near Lowesville

Grantee: R. H. Proffitt  
Grantor: C. R. Coakley  
May 17, 1912 book 37, p. 441  
Arrington, VA

Lewis & Cora Proffitt, Dec. 16, 1923,  
bought a certain parcel of land from  
Jerry Wood, east by the Gulf Ford Rd.,  
north by the land of E. W. Bell, on  
west by Lewis Proffitt  
5 acres for \$150

In August, 1998, I found a listing on Proffitt GenForum on the computer, from Phillip Clark, who was looking for the family of his mother, Margaret. Her name had been Mattie and she was adopted by the Morrisons. I sent e-mail to the Clarks, and we traded information back and forth for a while, until we were sure we had a match, and that his mother, Mattie, was really Ivy's long-lost sister.

Since then, we've sent e-mail back and forth and talked on the phone a couple of times.

In Dec. 1999, Ivy's foster niece, took her to Tioga, PA, to see her sister. It was the first time they had seen each other since 1922, when they were taken to the Children's Home.

Yes, genealogy is more than just names and dates, it involves real people, and some times brings about really neat happenings.

#### RootsWeb's WorldConnect Project: Winch/Proffitt Genealogy Database

7. Margaret L. PROFFITT b: Feb 1839 in Nelson Co., Virginia
8. Ann Elizabeth PROFFITT b: May 1852 in Nelson Co., Virginia

#### *Sources:*

1. Title: Fred Davis  
Repository:  
Call Number:  
Media: Book
-

Feb. 14, 1981, Ella Clements, Millwoods Apts.

Robert lived with Mrs. James Clements, Clint's grandmother. She lived to be 99, and lived near where the Norths live until the house burned down. Robert lived here after leaving Kenneth Lockard until he married Catherine.

Feb. 14, 1981, Mrs. McKenzie, Tye River  
Frank McKenzie is her son. She knew Ivy. Her son Ray worked with Ed, Ivy's husband. He was the one who put Ivy in touch with Robert & George. She couldn't, or wouldn't, tell us any more.

Jan. 31, 1982: Linwood Jordan called. He works with Bobby Diehr. Bobby Diehr is willing to talk to us. He thinks his mother's name was Taylor and he has a half-sister, but doesn't know where she is.

Bobby Diehr works at Frank Yeatts Silk Mill in Charlottesville.

Bobby Diehr  
Southwood Trailer Court  
Charlottesville, VA  
Phone 296-9248

We went to see Bobby Diehr on Feb. 8, 1981.  
This is what he told us:

He lived with his mother at Arrington with a Mrs. Taylor. Then they moved to Schuyler and she married Mr. Diehr when he was five years old. He was 57 when we saw him, He married in 1954, has 6 children and 3 grandchildren. He was never adopted by Mr. Diehr. He was 12 when Diehr died.

He had pictures of his grandchildren on the wall and one looked a lot like our Karen.

His wife gave us a copy of Lillian's obituary.

His wife's name is Nancy.  
He remembers being at the Taylor's at Arrington and came to Schuyler when he was five years old. He went to school with Zeb Ragland's brother and has a sister, Imogene, who married Willard Hall.

He said the Bible with his birth record belonged to Flo and Frank Sarnitz and burned in a house fire.

He wrote for a birth certificate but did not receive one back.

Diehr died when he was 12. He went back to the Taylors until he was 14 years old. Then he went back to His mother, Lillian, at Schuyler. Later he was in the army.

Then his mother, Lillian, stayed with him in Charlottesville until she died.

He showed us a picture of Lillian when she was older and said she didn't talk much about the past.

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He also told us to see Zeb Ragland and we did.

We called at Charlie Proffitt's house, but his wife wouldn't let us speak to him. Said she was from North Carolina and that they didn't know anything about the Proffitts.

Ed Proffitt, 1-25-1981:

Said John Proffitt was a brother of Sadie P. Drumheller, Al Drumheller's wife.

Eugene Proffitt lived in North Carolina. A Proffitt woman and two children drowned in the 1920 flood.

Ed knew Richard Proffitt. He knew Robert only after he went to live with Kenneth Lockard. George went to Tandy Jones. Elsie Jones married Hugh Turner and they took George with them.

He also knew Lewis and said Lewis was a small man.



*Flossie Wood (cont'd.)*

She said Mrs. Temple Wood had Ruth living, <sup>with</sup> and that Ruth was her husband's relative. Mrs. Temp Wood had two sons, one living at Norwood and one in Richmond. Said she had been away from Phenix for forty years.

Feb. 15, 1981: Mrs. W. L. Coates:

She was the daughter of Flossie Wood, and lived at Phenix until she was 13 years old. The mill closed the year she was born. Her mother lived there until 1931 and was a sister to Herbert Wood. Mr. Coates said the old Proffitt homeplace was near where Phenix school. It was near a creek, 3/4 mile off the road. It was a big two-story house and only the foundation is standing.

Feb. 14, 1981, Mrs. Flossie Wood:

She knew Lewis Proffitt, Rose and Lillian

Jan. 20, 1981 Elwood Proffitt, son of Lewis Proffitt:

Remembered his grandfather, Richard Proffitt  
Remembered Lillian and thinks she married twice.  
Not clear on the past, didn't know Robert Proffi

Remembered Kenneth Lockard. He had a brother  
called Sweedy Lockard.

Was raised in Phenix. His father lived into  
his 80s.

Has been married twice.

Has a half-brother, Willie Ponton.

Information from Lawrence Mays:

Told us to see Jeff Fitzgerald, son of Maggie Fitzgerald. Maggie lives near where Robert & George were born. Lillian Proffitt was Jeff Fitzgerald's housekeeper.

Information from Woodrow Lyons:

A blind man, married to Carrie Lee Jones. He said we should see Joe Jones, Carrie Lee's father, who was a friend and drinking buddy of Jeff Fitzgerald. Joe Jones lives at Dorothy Miller's house. She is his daughter-in-law. I worked with Dorothy Miller at Duti-Duds.

He also said:

Jeff Fitzgerald married Annette Martin. She ran around with a foreigner that Jeff threatened to shoot. Jeff sold Annette to the man for \$50.00.

Lillian Proffitt was a housekeeper for Jeff, had children by him.:

Ivy-lives in Richmond.

Ruth-lives in Buckingham with Mrs. Ragland, did live with Mrs. Wood until she died.

Flo-married Frank Sarnitz.

Robert

George

Lillian had two sisters=Ann and Rose and a brother, Lewis. Bully Clements married one of Lewis's daughters. Lillian was her aunt.

Charlie Proffitt is Ann's son. The father of Charlie Proffitt who used to run Lee's restaurant.

George drank bleach for sore throat and died. (This is true-or at least he drank something which

killed him, said the coroner.  
Lillian later married a Mr. Diehr and  
moved to Charlottesville, then to  
Schuyler. She died and may be buried  
in Charlottesville. (This is right.)

Information from Joe Jones, father of Dorothy  
Miller and Carrie Lee Lyons:

He said he hunted, fished and took bees with  
Jeff Fitzgerald. Jeff and Annette had  
children. Two are Maggie and Clarence.  
Lillian came to be Jeff's housekeeper a year  
after Annette left. Jeff and Lillian had  
five children.  
Jeff worked at the quarry with Joe. He  
cut wood and sold apple brandy at 25cents  
a quart. Jeff had a stroke. Don't know  
where he is buried.

Information from Maggie Fitzgerald:

She was very sick and couldn't talk  
much when we visited. She did say that  
Robert and George were born on the place  
where she lived. Said to come back later  
but she died before we could go.

Information from Letha Harris and her son,  
Liddie Fitzgerald:

Liddie's father was Clarence Fitzgerald.  
Clarence was Robert's half brother.  
Clarence's and Robert's father was  
Jeff Fitzgerald.  
Clarence was shot and killed in the yard  
of a house where Letha Harris lives  
He was killed seventeen years ago by  
Woodrow's son, Bobby Lyons. They were  
drinking and arguing over a still.  
Letha Harris said Jeff was tall, thin,  
and good looking.  
Clarence looked a lot like Robert and  
George. Robert came here to her house

a lot, to visit and drink.  
Annette was bought by a foreigner who  
came here in a wooden boat with seven  
people in it, so he was called 7.  
Jeff sold Annette to 7 and they lived  
near Letha's house until 7 died.  
Raymond Proffitt, Lewis's son, lives on  
Coolwell Road.  
She thinks Jeff is buried at Arrington.  
He died of a stroke when up in age.  
She said nearly everybody in Phenix  
sold bootleg whiskey. Clarence  
Fitzgerald sold bootleg until he died.

Information from Zeb Ragland: 1981

Zeb was researching Carroll family history and found our names at Lynchburg Jones Memorial Library, where we were looking up Proffitts.

He is a second cousin to Hart and Lottie Proffitt.

He lived next door to Lillian Proffitt Diehr and Louis Diehr in Schuyler. She came there in the mid 1920's and brought with her Flo and Bobby. She never talked about her past. She married Louis Diehr, whose wife had died and he had seven children left to raise:

George, Edward, Mary Ann (who went to live with some Joneses, and later married Ben Coffey), Louise, Flossie, Bernice, and Elwood

Lillian and Louis Diehr had two children, Imogene and William. William died young. Imogene married Irvin Hall and lived in Charlottesville. After Diehr died, Lillian lived with Imogene until she died of mouth cancer.

Lottie Proffitt Gunter, Rose's daughter, married Edwin Gunter. Zeb married Carro Gunter, Edwin's sister.

Lillian and Rose were called Rose Red and Lily White.

Lillian brought two children with her to Schuyler: Flo, already married to Frank Sarnitz, and Bobby. Zeb last saw Bobby about 1938 when he was 17 or 18 years old. Sarnitz died and Flo went to live with a Mrs. Witt.

Zeb gave us a picture of Lillian.  
Zeb is also kin to Mrs. Bessie Ragland, who Ruth lived with at Buckingham.

Friends of Bobby: Linwood Jordan, Carwell Beasley

Jan. 17, 1981: Willie & Sadie Ponton, Roseland

Lewis, his father, first married Birdie Bragg. They had two children, Emma and Willie. Emma married a Woody and had two daughters, Inez married Paul Goins and lives at Wingina, and Betty married a Bryant and lives at Appomattox.

Willie's wife, Sadie Ponton, told us Willie was born at Norwood. His mother died when he was two years old and he was given to Sadie's aunt. He know he was a Proffitt and had three aunts: Ann, Rose, and Lillian, but doesn't remember them, as he never saw the Proffitts again after being given out. He does visit a couple of his half=sisters, Lewis's children by his second marriage. Sadie Ponton gave us information on the marriages of some of Lewis's children from his second marriage.

Willie visits Sadie and Irene and they visit him.

Information from James Dolan, by phone:

Said to see Norah Bell, between Phenix and Norwood. He lived at Phenix until about 1930 or 31, then went in service. He remembered Lewis and his children, said Lewis was "a character" and used to talk with him until he died at age 81.

He remembered Lillian but didn't recall her ever being married.

at Schuyler  
Lottie's address: Mrs. Edwin Gunter  
P>O>Box 18  
Accokeek, MD 20607

We later met Lottie at Zeb's house, but she didn't remember much about the past.

At Hudson Reunion, Familie Hartman said that Willard Proffitt m. Diane Tinnell. Claude Proffitt was Willard's brother and their father was John Proffitt.

Lois said people in Tye River said Lillian's boyfriend was Sambo Martin, but she had children by many others.

Hazel, the aunt of Fred Clements ( Bully Clements's youngest boy) lives in Amherst near the cemetery. Hazel has info on Proffitts and Clements.

Lois said people told her Maggie Fitzgerald never married, but had children by Sambo Martin and others.  
Fact: Maggie m. Morris Martin (Sambo) on 10-29-1919. Sambo's parents were Floyd Martin and Ida Martin.

Marvin Taylor m. Bertha Anderson. He ran a store and lived on the old Taylor place near Norwood.. (Is this where Bobby Diehr was born??)

#### Information from Homer Martin, Tye River

Homer's father was Willis Martin.  
He was born at Oak Ridge and lived at Phenix for a while.  
He told us that Rose married Lyle Jennings.  
They had a son, Trent Jennings.  
Said Rose died of cancer of the mouth.  
Didn't know Annette Martin, he said.

Roy Fitzgerald was a brother to Thomas and Jeff Fitzgerald.

Two of Thomas's daughters married blacks and had children.

Feb. 15, 1981

Graves at St. Stephens Baptist Church:

Clarence Olney Fitzgerald  
Sept. 19, 1900-August 11, 1959

Thomas Henry Fitzgerald 1895-1966  
Etta Martin 1911-

Jan. 1, 1983 Mrs Nora Bell , Harold Thomas's  
mother-in-law:

Cora Proffitt Clements, daughter of Lewis,  
lived at Tye River.

Jeff Fitzgerald is buried near Lawrence  
Mays's place on the mountain.

Lillian lived where Jeff's son lives now.

Ruth lived with Mrs. Temp Wood.

Ruth had Indian blood.

Ann died of cancer.

Rose married a Jennings.

Rose's son lived : Pass Fairmount Church,  
turn right, go thru the Glades.

(Hart)

Maggie married a Martin. Jeff & Estelle  
Fitzgerald were from Amherst. Jeff  
lived with Annette Martin after Estelle  
died.

Lewis worked for Pearcie Proffitt at  
Variety Mills, and was kin to Pearcie.

Mrs. Bell and her husband bought the Proffitt  
place from Ann and Rose.

Homer Martin's father was Annette's brother.

Jeff helped when Mrs. Bell's house caught fire.

Maggie married a Martin. *Lillian was in the  
house.*

Flossie Banton married Jack Wood.

The Bells moved to Wingina, then to Phenix.

Jeff Fitzgerald was disinherited when he  
married

Annette Martin.

Betty Lyons is Lawrence Mays's half sister.

Mrs. Bell was a really sweet lady. She gave  
me her box of tatting.

Pearcie Proffitt was Betty ~~Lyons~~'s son.  
*Proffitt's*

Ann Proffitt had a son, Walter, who died  
of pneumonia.

Mrs. Bell's father-in-law and some others



Information from Robert Harlow  
7-2-83

Robert Harlow was 73 years old.

Proffitt girls worked for  
Betty Lyons, Lawrence Mays's  
sister

James Proffitt was brother to  
Richard and was Pearce's  
uncle.

The road near Jeff Fitzgerald's  
place leads to an old quarry.  
There are cemeteries there.

Bettie Proffitt was Ray's grandmother  
and Pearce's mother.  
Richard was Pearce's uncle.

Jeff Fitzgerald died about 1920

We went back in the fall and Robert  
Harlow went with us to where the  
cemeteries had been, but Westvaco  
had pretty much torn them up.  
There were no tombstones, only a  
few rocks which seemed to mark  
graves.

We went with Zeb Ragland to see  
Woodrow Lyons, a blind man. Lyons  
said all five of Lillian's children  
were by Jeff Fitzgerald.

carried Jeff Fitzgerald to Arrington on a wagon and then on a train to Charlottesville. He never came back to Phenix.

Hart's brother, Walter, drowned.  
Samuel was killed in WWI.  
Stetson Golladay was Ruth's father.  
Ruth was Lillian's oldest child.

Thomas Fitzgerald's first wife was burned up in a house fire.

Florie stayed with Grandma Wood.

Jeff Fitzgerald sold his wife, Annette Martin, to "7", who paid \$40 for her. He was a foreigner. They called him "7" because he came to Phenix in a boat with six other people.

Oct. 6, 1983:

Hazel Spencer Wood Farrar, wife of  
Russell Farrar:

Her mother was Eva Proffitt Spencer,  
kin to Ed, Mary, & Lizzie Proffitt

Said we should see Charlie Wood,  
next to Harold Thomas, on or near the  
old Proffitt homeplace at Phenix.

His father was Temp Wood.

Russell Farrar: age 73, raised at  
Phenix, , born in 1908. Left Phenix  
at age 19, in 1927.

Remembered Lillian , knows a lot about  
Phenix. Said to see Jack Wood,  
Aylett's half=brother, over 80 .

April 3, 1984 Met Ivy at Howard Johnson's:  
Didn't remember Hart or Charlie  
Remembered a shooting.  
She and two sisters sent to Dr. Maybee's  
Home, the name changed later.  
One sister, Mattie, she took with her  
when she ran away from the orphanage.  
She was caught and brought back and put  
in the attic for punishment. When she  
was let out, both sisters had been  
adopted.

Ivy was taken in by Dr. & Mrs. Johnson.  
Mrs. Johnson thought that Ivy was  
Johnson's daughter. Ivy was beaten  
and had to work hard. Her foster  
father was good to her, but not her  
foster mother. He died in 1936.  
She lived to be 84.  
Ivy, Robert, and George went to see  
Flo in 1962 or 64.

There is an old Proffitt Homestead  
off Boxwood Farm Rd. to  
Grandma's Hill Rd,  
from Peggy Fitzgerald Lawhorn

# Heraldic Description

PROFFITT



**SHIELD:** Vert a leg in armour embowed and couped at the thigh proper underfoot a bezant charged with a cross moline.

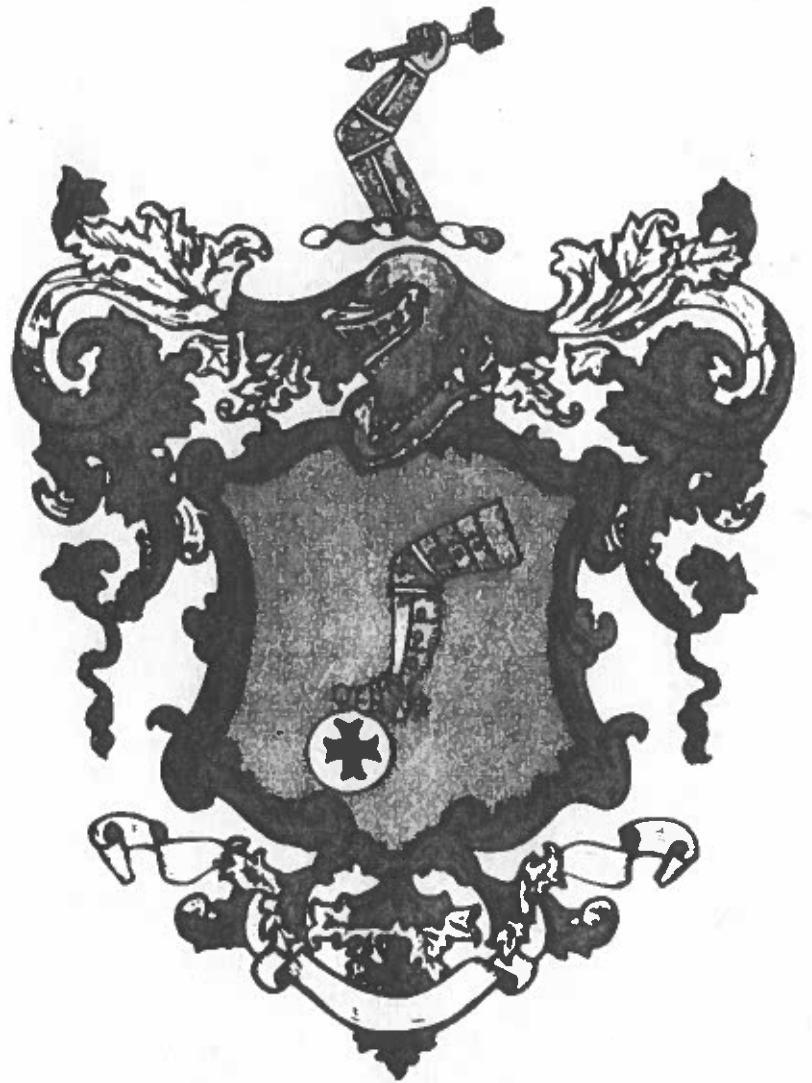
**CREST:** An arm embowed in armour proper holding in the hand an arrow of the last.

**MOTTO:** None recorded

**REFERENCE SOURCE:** Burke's General Armory

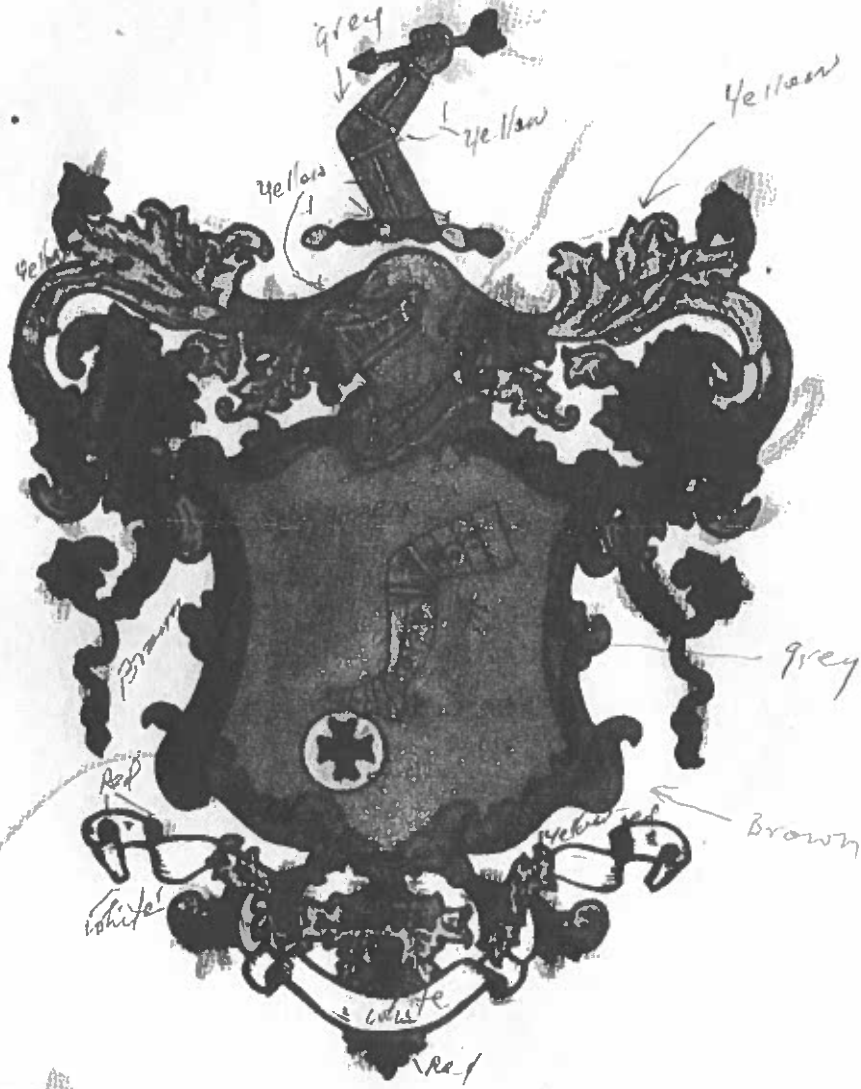
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Profitt



# Profitt

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Amherst County Marriages:

Sallie C. Proffitt-Alexr. W. Boxley  
m. 3-17-1862 Book 2, p.59

11-2-1866 Eliza A. Proffitt &  
Robt. W. Lenthecum Book 2, p. 101

1-29-1867 Belinda Proffitt & Camm S. Carter  
Book 2, p. 111

5-9-1868 Sarah Proffitt & James P. Mays  
Book 2, p. 143

5-9-1868 Hester Proffitt & Thomas Ricketts  
Book 2, p. 143

11-25-1872 Mollie Proffitt & James M. Ware  
Book 3, p. 18

3-19-1886 Sarah O. Proffitt & Joseph P. Rhodes  
Book 3, p. 159

4-18-1895 Lizzie Proffitt & Thomas J. Mays  
Book 3, p. 259

8-17-1898 Pocahontas Proffitt & Benjamin F.  
Camden  
Book 3, p. 300

4-24-1911 Lillian Proffitt & Alexander L. Staples  
Book 4, p. 105

12-31-1938 Essie B. Proffitt & Forest Sandidge Hudson  
Book 5, p. 179

7-7-1795 Randolph Proffitt & Milley Ball  
her parents: John & Elizabeth Ball  
wit: Peter Hansborough  
W.L.Crawford  
James Dillard

RON McDANIEL  
109 HOLCOMBE RD.  
LYNCHBURG VA.  
24502

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Met at LDS Church - no Proffitt line -  
~~But~~ Went to a Proffitt reunion in Richmond.  
will give my name + address to  
a woman doing Proffitt research -  
on Goochland County -



**Subj: Proffitt genealogy**  
**Date: 11/23/98 12:05:32 AM !!!First Boot!!!**  
**From: rhonda@torchlake.com (Vasher, Rhonda)**  
**To: abp38@aol.com (Anne Proffitt)**

Hi Anne,

Sorry I haven't gotten back to you in a while, but I've been working really hard on the Proffitt genealogy. Both Jerry Proffitt and David Proffitt saw a family bible at a reunion in Lynchburg a few years ago that stated that Sylvesters last name was Proudfoot in Scotland. The name is pronounced Proufot (Prophet), so I have been working on that lead.

Also, Melody Hamby Goss and I are starting a web page. We are, also, starting an Assoc. of Sylvester & Alice Prophet Descendants (A.S.A.P.D.). We are working out the details, but need lots of help for both. What we hope to accomplish by forming an association is to pool all of the information that the ancestors now have and to be able to get more information. Also, to bring the descendants together. What I hope to be able to put together on a webpage other than just genealogy is: Photos—of family members and also of the areas in which our ancestors (and maybe ourselves) lived, worked, played, etc. Maps—of the same places as the photos Cemeteries—listings of where ancestors are buried, etc. Stories—all those great family stories Queries—to help each other about info that is not on the web page yet (such as each descendant has their own set of ancestors & some the same so they could help each other) Classified ads—of whatever they want to advertise Artistic—pictures of the art work of our assoc. members, short stories, etc. Reunions Etc.

I am very new to genealogy and to computers, but I think that once this thing gets off the ground it will really develop into something that we can all benefit from. I really need all the help I can get.

Sincerely,  
Rhonda

*Surviving Family*

*In Memory of . . .*

**Edward Lee Bell**

Wife . . . . . Joan "Delores" Wood Bell  
Son . . . . . Edward C. Bell

Born . . . . . June 26, 1934

Daughter . . . . . and wife, Jennifer  
and husband, Bobby  
Glenda Proffitt

Lynchburg, Virginia

Grandchildren . . . . . Heather Elliott  
Kyle Proffitt  
Hannah Bell  
Kelsey May  
Zachary May  
James O. Welch

Died . . . . . January 7, 2001

Amherst County, Virginia

*Funeral Services*

Half Brothers . . . . . Roger Bell  
James O. Welch

Wednesday, January 10, 2001

11:00 A.M.

Whittem Monelison Chapel

Conducted By

Rev. J. D. Surbaugh

*Interment*

*Palbearers*

Step Father . . . . . O.A. Welch  
Step Mother . . . . . Doris Bell

William Thompson

Todd Roach

Lovell Barnett

Presbyterian Cemetery  
Lynchburg, Virginia

Sonny Martin

Evan Thompson

Roger Lee Wood