

ANCESTRY
OF
PHILIP TIPPINS FAMILY AND DESCENDANTS
WHO SETTLED IN TATTNALL COUNTY, GEORGIA
U. S. A.

William Emanuel Tippins

Son of William Wayne Tippins and Mary Elizabeth Eason.
William Emanuel Born August 22, 1832, Manassas, Georgia.
Married Martha Evaline Brewton January 19, 1837. She died 1911.

William Emanuel Tippins made a Deed of 20 acres of his land to the Methodist Church and the Trustees of the Tattnal County Camp Ground. A large Tabernacle was immediately erected and the first Camp Meeting begun on the 4th Sunday in October 1867.

Tattnal County Camp Meeting was a wonderful factor in building up Methodism in this part of the State.
The picture of William Emanuel Tippins hangs in the Hall of the Preachers' Tent. All of the Cabins are now made of concrete block.

A Centennial celebration of the Founding of the Tattnal County Camp Meeting was held in August 1967. They requested the descendants of William Emanuel Tippins to be present for this observance.

William Emanuel Tippins was the grandson of Rev. William Eason who was Ordained by Bishop Frances Asbury in South Carlonia. Bishop Asbury sent Rev. William Eason from South Carlonia to Tattnal County, Georgia 1802, to establish Methodism in that area.

At that time Tattnal County covered an area which later was divided into five Counties

He built the first Methodist Church in Tattnal County and called it Mt. Carmel Methodist Episcopal Church. It is believed that he delivered the first Methodist sermon in Tattnal County.

Georgia at that time was part of the South Carlonia Conference. The Mt. Carmel Church still exists, but not in the first building. Mt. Carmel Church is located between Reidsville and Collins.

Rev. William Eason and Family are buried in the Mt. Carmel Methodist Church Cemetery.

William Emanuel Tippins is also the grandson of Philip Tippins. Philip Tippins was born in North Carlonia about 1754. He moved with his family later to Spartinburg, South Carlonia 1777.

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MOUNT CARMEL

Mt. Carmel is said to be the oldest Methodist Church in Tattnall County, Georgia, and one of the oldest in the State. Early records show that Rev. William Eason delivered the first Methodist sermon in Tattnall County soon after he came here from South Carolina in 1802, and organized Mt. Carmel Church in 1808.

The Church was 18x20 feet, and made of unpeeled pine poles, In this little house Rev. Eason baptized the first applicant for membership. Her name was Cynthia Tippins. She was the elder sister of William Tippins, who became a prominent citizen of Tattnall County. She was the great aunt of Candacy Tippins Brewton. Also great aunt of Nancy Pinken Tippins Wood.

An Incident at Mt. Carmel

One beautiful Sabbath morning in 1856, while Rev. "Billy" Baker was delivering an eloquent sermon to a crowded house, an incident occurred in the Amen corner that caused great consternation, and that broke up the meeting for awhile.

The building was a log structure from sill to ceiling. One of the sleepers that had so long silently borne its part of the human load suddenly refused to bear the burden longer - and by a mighty creak, followed by a "lumbering" noise" sunk to the ground below. The brethren who occupied this corner found themselves "topsy turvey". Above the soprano, tenor, baritone and basso, and exclamations from all over the house, could be heard the voice of Rev. Baker trying to restore peace and assurance of safety.

The congregation sought the Church yard, when it was found the no one was hurt. It was decided to conclude the service outside. The pews were soon placed under the trees and the preacher finished his sermon, at the conclusion of which the congregation were requested to kneel in prayer.

All this time an old goat had watched the proceedings with apparent distrust. He doubtless conceded the Church to the Sheep, but the world to the goats. He had approached to a close distance and stood waiting. When the congregation knelt, he took this suddenly assumed posture of the enemy as a challenge. And no quicker than it takes a mad goat to move, the congregation found itself uncerimoniously, and without a benediction dispersing. A resistance was made by some of the cooler heads, and soon the subdued, though indignant type of the "world, the flesh and the devil" was led to a safe distance and sent the other way in a lively trot.

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Cynthia Tippins was the daughter of Philip Tippins

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NANCY PINKEN TIPPINS

Nancy Pinken Tippins, daughter of William Wayne Tippins and Mary Elizabeth Eason Tippins, was born February 14, 1821. She died September 8, 1902.

On January 24, 1854 she was married to Roger Wood. He was born in Blackburn, County Lancashire, England, on February 23, 1817. He died January 4, 1905 in Tattnall County, Georgia.

They are both buried in Tippins Cemetery, Tattnall County, Georgia.

<u>Their Children:</u>	<u>Born</u>	<u>Married</u>	<u>Date</u>
William Henry	Feb. 7, 1855 Savannah, Ga. Died Feb. 15, 1933	1. Georgia Marie Eason	May 1, 1879
		Born May 25, 1859 Died Mar. 17, 1881	
George Eason	May 1, 1856 Savannah, Ga. Died June 2, 1926	2. Alice Emily Parker	July 1, 1888
		Born Apr. 13, 1866 Died Feb. 27, 1947	
Charlie Tippins	July 15, 1859 Died Sep. 10, 1919 Tattnall County	Mary Jane (Polly) Sapp	Mar. 23, 1890
		Born Aug. 10, 1870 Died Jan. 22, 1941	
John Michael	Feb. 13, 1852 Died Sep. 30, 1953 Tattnall, County	Annie Worley	Oct. 15, 1893
		Born May 16, 1877 Died Jul. 19, 1933	
Caroline	Feb. 13, 1852 Died Sep. 30, 1953 Tattnall, County	Evelyn Durrence	Jan. 18, 1888
		Born Jan. 3, 1865 Died Aug. 5, 1945	
Caroline	Dec. 25, 1863 Died Aug. 17, 1904 Tattnall County	Benjamin Rogers	

ROGER WOOD FAMILY

This is a short autobiography of your great-grandfather Roger Wood. He was born in Blackburn ~~Lancashire~~ ^{Leicester} County England on February 23, 1817. We know very little about his life in England. He married and had one daughter. His wife died and an aunt took the baby to rear. We do not have any birth or death dates of the wife or daughter.

After the death of grandpa's wife he decided that he wanted to come to America. I think that this must have been in the early 1850's. He and two men came together. Their trades were a cobbler, a tinker, and grandpa was a tinner.

They came to America by way of a sailboat. I heard that it took them three months to make the trip from Liverpool England to New York. After they arrived in America grandpa decided to explore a little more, so he journeyed on to Savannah, Georgia.

In Savannah he met Nancy Pinkins Tippins, daughter of William Wayne Tippins and Mary Elizabeth Eason Tippins. They were married. Their first two sons were born in Savannah, Georgia. They then moved near Manassas, GA.

- ⑤ Caroline Wood Rogers
- ③ George Eason Wood
- ② William ^{"Willie"} Henry Wood
- ① John Michael Wood
- ④ Charlie Wood