

THE LINEAGE

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TAYLORS, TARPLEYS, AND EARLYS

TAYLORS:

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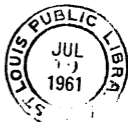
He Accomplishes What He Undertakes

TARPLEYS: HONOR-VIRTUTIS-PRAEMIUM

Honor: Reward of Courage

EARLYS: VIGILANS-ET-TENAX

Vigilant and Persistent



## INTRODUCTION

Tarpley Early Taylor was of the seventh generation of his Taylor line in America, the ninth generation of the Tarpley line, and the fifth generation of the Early line. Of his ancestors, William Tarpley is the first of which we have found record. He bought land in York County, Virginia, in 1635. His son John had two sons, John and James Tarpley, who were in North Farnham, Virginia, in 1690. So far as we know, our first Taylor ancestor in America was Richard Taylor of North Farnham, Virginia. The earliest record of Richard Taylor, found in the courthouse at Tappahannock, Virginia, is dated 1664. These two families were united about 1740 when George Taylor, third generation of our Taylor line in America, married Mary Tarpley, fifth generation of the Tarpley line in America. We have no record showing from what part of Britain these Tarpley and Taylor ancestors came.

Three generations of Taylors lived and died in North Farnham Parish, but the fourth generation moved westward, first to the Winchester area in the Shenandoah Valley of Virginia, and then on to the South Branch of the Potomac in Hampshire County, West Virginia. Toward the end of the eighteenth century the first Tarpley Taylor's children moved to Kentucky and settled in that part of Mason County which later became Fleming County. William E. Taylor was born in 1806 in Fleming County, went as a young man to Pike County, Missouri, thence to Illinois where Tarpley Early Taylor was born in 1837, and then moved to Iowa in 1839.

Our first ancestor of the Early line in America was William Early. We do not know when he arrived in America, but his son Thomas was born in 1742 in Union County, New Jersey. William Early had come from Ulster, Ireland, by way of Chester, England, where he married Mary Marlyn. Thomas Early married Euphemia Carr of Scottish descent, and settled in Hampshire County, West Virginia, near where

the Taylors lived and later moved to Mason County, Kentucky, as did the Tarpleys. Tarpley Early Taylor's grandfather, George Taylor, son of the first Tarpley Taylor, married Mary Early, daughter of Thomas Early, and thus brought the Early name into the Taylor family.

Our first Taylor ancestor in America, Richard Taylor, had two sons, one named Richard, the other Simon. Simon Taylor is a name that recurs in the family for many generations. According to T. H. Warner, a genealogist at Tappahannock, Virginia, a Simon Taylor was brought to Virginia as an indentured servant about 1650 by Moore Fontleroy. Mr. Warner suggested that Richard may have been a younger brother of Simon and his use of the name Simon for one of his sons is an indication that this may be true. On page 55 of vol. D - 3 of the record in the courthouse at Tappahannock, Virginia, is the following statement: "July 9, 1664. Richard Taylor received from Rappahannock County Court in settlement of amount due from estate of Col. Moore Fontleroy the sum of eight hundred pounds of tobacco due him for servant's wages as per order of court."

There is evidence in the Court Records that the first Richard Taylor had some education, since he signed his name to certain documents, but such education as he had was doubtless acquired before coming to America. For the next three generations, the husbands and wives who were our direct ancestors made their cross mark on deeds and wills, indicating that they had had no educational opportunity. Such opportunities were exceedingly scarce. There were then no public schools in Virginia.

One member of a family often had all the schooling benefits. In the Tarpley family, for instance, John received some education but James did not. Simon Taylor's grandson Simon, son of John, received some education, became a contractor, and built the first jail erected in Winchester, Virginia. He also was the builder of the John Hite house a few miles

south of Winchester on Route 11. In 1782 he took the census in his area in Hampshire County, West Virginia, and again in 1784.

On the other hand, Simon's first cousin Tarpley Taylor apparently had no education. However, in his will which was probated when the oldest of his five children was only thirteen years of age, Tarpley Taylor showed his interest in education by requesting that his estate be used for the education of his children. He asked that they be taught to cipher and write, and to read in order that they might read the Bible. (Two Bibles are mentioned in the list of his property in the court records at Romney, West Virginia.) His desire in this respect was carried out. All of his children did learn to cipher, read, and write. His son John Taylor was for a time a member of the State Legislature of Kentucky. And the records of Fleming County, Ky., show that George Taylor was a citizen of considerable prominence in benevolent activities, particularly in connection with orphan children.

There is evidence that the Tarpleys and the Taylors were interested in religious matters. They were connected with the church at North Farnham, Virginia. The church building now standing in North Farnham was built from 1734 to 1737. The records kept by the rector of that church provided the birth dates of some of our ancestors, particularly the first Tarpley Taylor, and indicates that his parents were George and Mary Taylor. This church building was damaged during the Civil War. When the building was restored in the 1920's, a bronze tablet, as a monument to our ancestors, was placed on the end of the front pew on the right side of the central aisle as the rector views the audience.

Another evidence of the family interest in religious activities is found in the bell that was given to the Bruton Parish Church in Williamsburg by James Tarpley in 1761. James was at that time a merchant in Williamsburg, having moved there from North Farnham. That sweet-toned bell has been

in use for nearly two centuries. Bruton Church is but a short distance from the gate of William and Mary College, and the bell has doubtless been a cultural influence in that institution as well as in Williamsburg.

William E. Taylor, who settled in Iowa in 1839, took special interest in both the building of a school and a church in his neighborhood; they became known as the Taylor School and the Taylor Church. His son Tarpley Early Taylor was much interested in church work and foreign missions and took the lead in building a church in Stockport after the railroad came through and Stockport became a market center for the area. A later member of the Tarpley Early Taylor family, inspired by the influence of the Tarpley bell in the Bruton Parish Church, Williamsburg, Virginia, presented to Drake University and the University Church of Christ the thirty-bell Deagan type carillon, installed in 1939, which serves both the campus and the church. The record as presented in the following genealogy shows that an interest in education has continued through the years.

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The generations are indicated by Roman numerals, beginning with *Richard Taylor I*, etc. Information regarding wives or husbands of direct descendants is enclosed in parentheses.

Abbreviations: b., born; ca., approximately; coll., college; d., died; d.y., died young; d.w.i., died without issue; dau., daughter; gr. dau., granddaughter; grad., graduated; h.s., high school; m., married; m. 2, second marriage; univ., university.

- I. Richard Taylor: b. ?; d. 1679 at North Farnham, Va.; m. ca. 1664 Sarah (dau. of ?).
  - A. Constance
  - B. Richard: b. 3-23-1667.
  - C. Simon
- II. Simon, son of Richard and Sarah Taylor: b. ca. 1669; d. 1-10-1729; m. 1691 Elizabeth (b. 3-8-1674; d. 10-7-1727 dau. of Edward and Mary Lewis).
  - A. John
  - B. William
  - C. Thomas
  - D. Septimus
  - E. George
  - F. Sarah
- III. George, son of Simon and Elizabeth Taylor: b. ca. 1720; d. 10-25-1749; m. ca. 1740 Mary (b. 12-7-1723, dau. of William Tarpley, son of James Tarpley, son of John Tarpley, whose father William is on record as having bought land in York Co., Va., in 1635).
  - A. William: b. 4-7-1741.
  - B. Tarpley
  - C. Simon: b. 3-9-1744.
  - D. George: b. 10-21-1747.
  - E. Lucy: b. 2-19-1749.
- IV. Tarpley, son of George and Mary Tarpley Taylor: b. 2-4-1742; d. 1784; m. Sibia (dau. of ?).
  - A. George
  - B. William
  - C. John
  - D. Nancy
  - E. Tarpley: b. ca. 1783.
- V. George, son of Tarpley and Sibia Taylor: b. 11-25-1771; d. 1853; m. ca. 1795 Mary (b. 3-3-1770; d. 12-4-1825; dau. of Euphemia Carr of



Hampshire Co., Va., later of Mason Co., Ky., and Thomas Early, son of William Early of Ulster, Ireland, and Mary Marlyn of Chester, England).

See Early Genealogy.

A. Sara (Sally): b. 11-1801; m. 6-18-1822  
John Peck.

B. Euphemia: m. Christopher Perrine.

C. William E.

D. Lucinda: b. 1-16-1811; d. 6-21-1862; m.  
John Pratt.

E. Elizabeth (Betsy): m. Madox.

VI. William E., son of George and Mary Early Taylor, Flemingsburg, Ky.: b. 6-26-1806; d. 12-12-1873; m. Mary (Polly) Zumwalt of Pike Co., Mo. (b. 12-12-1810; d. 7-22-1840; gr. dau. of Lawrence Killebrew, Egecombe Co., No. Carolina, who served in the Revolutionary War). The family emigrated to Iowa in 1839; m. 2. 11-23-1841 Eliza Jane Walker (b. 1-29-1813; d. 10-11-1884).

A. James: d. y.

B. George W.: b. 3-5-1831; d. 1-29-1923; m.  
1850 Mary Whetstone.

C. Jessie: d. y.

D. William Allen: b. 7-10-1834; d. 10-27-  
1908.

E. Tarpley Early

F. John Pleasant: b. 3-22-1839; d. 9-4-1876;  
m. 3-1-1862 Nancy Elvira Watson.

G. Joseph: d. y.

H. Henry: d. y.

I. Combs: d. y.

J. Sara Elizabeth (Sally): b. 8-4-1849; d. 3-13-  
1911; m. 11-12-1871 Ross Wheatley.

K. Charles Gray: b. 4-7-1851; d. 8-17-1933; m.  
1874 Jane Baum; m. 2. 1899 Hattie Jones.

L. Nancy M.: b. 4-31-1853; d. 11-24-1907;  
m. 6-29-1873 Job Wheatley.

- VII. Tarpley Early, son of William E. and Mary Zumwalt Taylor: b. 8-2-1837; d. 8-31-1904; m. 10-31-1861 Elmira Martin (b. 2-14-1843; d. 2-21-1901; dau. of Alexander and Anna Harlan Martin, Keosauqua, Ia.) See Harlan Genealogy and Martin Genealogy.
- VIII. A. Sylvanus Elmer, son of Tarpley Early and Elmira Martin Taylor: b. 8-8-1862; d.w.i. 11-10-1945; m. 9-2-1883 Carrie Morris (b. 8-31-1865).
- VIII. B. Laura Adaline, dau. of Tarpley and Elmira Martin Taylor: b. 5-24-1866; d. 1-20-1956; m. 8-28-1884 John Willis Ruby (b. 3-5-1860; d. 8-2-1942; son of Jabez H. and Maria McGreer Ruby).
- IX. 1. Boyd Everett Ruby, son of John W. and Laura Taylor Ruby: b. 5-29-1887; d. 3-24-1951; B. A. Drake Univ., Des Moines, Ia. 1910; m. 12-9-1911 Grace Stentz (b. 5-4-1888; dau. of Phillip Melanchthon and Mary Reichard Stentz, Knoxville, Ia. B. A. Drake Univ., Des Moines, Ia. 1910).
- X. a. William Stentz Ruby, son of Boyd and Grace Stentz Ruby: b. 3-22-1913; grad. Woodbury Business Coll., Los Angeles, Cal., 1932; 1st Lieut. U. S. Marines, World War II, Dec. 1942-May 1946; Capt. U. S. Marines, Korean War, Aug. 1950-Jan. 1952; m. 7-3-1937 Harriet Pauline Brocket (b. 5-22-1911; dau. of Floyd P. and Gertrude Heinzman Brocket, Kansas City, Kan.).
- XI. (1) Lynda Jo Ruby: b. 9-17-1942.
- XI. (2) Carol Diane Ruby: b. 2-6-1950.
- X. b. Robert Barton, son of Boyd and Grace Stentz Ruby: b. 12-25-1915; B. S. Univ. of California, Los Angeles, Cal. 1937; Lieut. Jr. Grade, U. S. Navy, World War II 1942-

1945; m. 10-1-1938 Jane Ellen Helms (b. 12-26-1916; dau. of Herbert J. and Willia Helms, Los Angeles, Cal.; B. S. Univ. of California, Los Angeles, Cal. 1937).

XI. (1) Laura Jane Ruby: b. 12-7-1945.

XI. (2) Frederick Robert Ruby: b. 1-30-1948.

XI. (3) Martha Lorraine Ruby: b. 2-27-1949.

XI. (4) Jeanette Elizabeth Ruby: b. 1-4-1953.

X. c. Carter Everett Ruby, son of Boyd and Grace Stentz Ruby: b. 12-30-1920; B.S. Univ. of California, Los Angeles, Cal. 1943; 1st Lieut. U. S. Army, World War II 1943-1946; m. 10-4-1953 Mrs. Annabelle Grieve Everett (b. 11-18-1927; dau. of Clifford A. and Mary Rhode Grieve, Whittier, Cal.)

XI. (1) Christine Anne Everett: b. 3-14-1948; adopted 7-18-1958.

XI. (2) Dale Carter Ruby: b. 10-29-1954.

IX. 2. Taylor Early Ruby, son of John W. and Laura Taylor Ruby: b. 1-26-1889; B.S. Univ. of Wisconsin, Madison, Wis. 1910; m. 3-4-1914 Harriet Critchett (b. 2-2-1887; d. 6-10-1948; dau. of George and Alice Johnson Critchett, Grinnell, Ia.; B.A. Drake Univ., Des Moines, Ia. 1913); m. 2. 12-2-1950 Marie Belle-Isle Brownfield, Marietta, Ga.

X. a. John Preston Ruby, son of Taylor E. and Harriet Critchett Ruby: b. 11-8-1915; B.S. Univ. of California, Los Angeles, Cal. 1937; Maj. U. S.

Army, World War II, Oct. 1941-Jan. 1946; m. 5-12-1939 Margaret Jane Barlow (b. 12-22-1915; dau. of Robert and Virginia Barlow, Los Angeles, Cal.; B.A. Univ. of California, Los Angeles, Cal. 1938).

XI. (1) John Stephen Ruby: b. 4-6-1941.

XI. (2) James Barlow Ruby: b. 3-31-1943.

XI. (3) Jeffrey Taylor Ruby: b. 11-11-1946.

X. b. James Critchett Ruby, son of Taylor E. and Harriet Critchett Ruby: b. 5-27-1919; B.A. Univ. of California, Los Angeles, Cal. 1941; Enlisted 7-11-1941 U. S. Army Medical Corps; sent immediately to Philippine Islands, where he became prisoner of Japanese ca. May 1942, at prison camp Cabanatuan; remained a prisoner at this and other camps until Dec. 13, 1944, when Japan attempted to evacuate American prisoners of war to Japan. Due to starvation and exhaustion and manner of evacuation, two-thirds of the prisoners were lost. James was among those lost, Jan. 17, 1945, East China Sea.

X. c. Allison Ruby, dau. of Taylor E. and Harriet Critchett Ruby: b. 5-12-1922; B.A. Univ. of California, Los Angeles, Cal. 1944; m. 6-11-1943; Marshall Pitman Gardner (b. 3-21-1918; son of Marshall and Idell Winegardner, New York, N. Y.)

XI. (1) Barbara Gail Gardner: b. 11-18-1946.

XI. (2) David Allison Gardner: b. 5-27-1949.

- XI. (3) Karen Marie Gardner: b. 2-6-1953.
- XI. (4) Carol Lynn Gardner: b. 1-14-1956.
- X. d. Barbary Joan Ruby, dau. of Taylor E. and Harriet Critchett Ruby: b. 4-7-1925; B.A. Univ. of California, Los Angeles, Cal. 1948; m. 9-11-1950 Paul Daniel Knight (b. 6-2-1923; son of Jacob and Maria Ritari, Painesville, Ohio; B.S. Univ. of So. California, Los Angeles, Cal.).
- XI. (1) Carolyn Louise Knight: b. 1-18-1959.
- IX. 3. Gladys Carolyn Ruby, dau. of John W. and Laura Taylor Ruby: b. 2-3-1891; B.S. Drake Univ., Des Moines, Ia. 1913; M.A. Columbia Univ., New York, N. Y. 1927; Home Economics.
- IX. 4. Helen Elmira Ruby, dau. of John W. and Laura Taylor Ruby: b. 12-19-1903; B.A. Drake Univ., Des Moines, Ia. 1925; m. 8-1-1925 Robert Bissett Goode (b. 12-6-1898; son of Robert A. and Anna Bissett Goode; B.S. Drake Univ., Des Moines, Ia. 1923).
- X. a. John Ruby Goode, son of Robert Bissett and Helen Ruby Goode: b. 3-31-1929; B.A. Univ. of Michigan, Ann Arbor, Mich. 1951; D.D.S. Univ. of Iowa, Iowa City, Ia. 1955; Capt. U. S. Army Dental Corps, 1955-1957; m. 11-14-1958 Lydia Saggau (b. 3-21-1935; dau. of Bernholdt and Angeline Scatterlee Saggau, Denison, Ia.; B.S. 1953, R.N. 1957 Univ. of Iowa, Iowa City, Ia.)
- X. b. Robert Bissett Goode Jr., son of Robert Bissett and Helen Ruby

Goode; b. 8-2-1930; B.A. Univ. of Iowa, Iowa City, Ia. 1952; Phi Beta Kappa; M.S. Univ. of Michigan, Ann Arbor, Mich. 1955, Actuarial Science; 1st Lieut. U. S. Army, Finance Corps 1952-1954; m. 3-22-1958 Leonore Abbott (b. 4-18-1933; dau. of Carl Speedling and Mildred Turin Abbott, Greenfield, Ia.; B.S. Univ. of Iowa, Iowa City, Ia. 1955).

IX. 5. Laura Katherine Ruby, dau. of John W. and Laura Taylor Ruby: b. 6-20-1909; attended Iowa State Coll., Ames, Ia. and Univ. of Nebraska, Lincoln, Nebr.; m. 2-6-1932 George Clark Holbrook (b. 8-4-1908; son of George and Freda Holbrook, Des Moines, Ia.; B.S. Iowa State Coll., Ames, Ia. 1930, Industrial Engineering).

X. a. George Howard Holbrook: b. 2-27-1937; B.A. Hamilton Coll., Clinton, N. Y. 1958; studying law Cornell Univ., Ithaca, N. Y. 1959.

X. b. Laura Katherine Holbrook: b. 3-2-1942.

VIII. C. Anna Louella (Lou) Taylor, dau. of Tarpley Early and Elmira Martin Taylor: b. 1-19-1869; d. 7-22-1940; B.A. Drake Univ., Des Moines, Ia. 1893; m. 4-13-1899 Harry Howell Hastings (b. 4-3-1871; son of Z. S. and Rosetta Butler Hastings).

IX. 1. Tarpley Taylor Hastings, son of Harry Howell and Anna Louella Taylor Hastings: b. 11-11-1900; grad. h. s. Enid, Okla.; m. 1919 Kenyon Ruth Henry (b. 10-4-1899; d. 3-11-1948; grad. h. s. Enid, Okla.); m. 2. 11-11-1950 Mildred Lee Henry (b. 1-3-1915).

X. a. James Taylor Hastings, son of Tarpley Taylor and Kenyon Henry Hastings: b. 2-5-1920; grad. h. s. Enid.

Okla.; Sr. Master Sgt. U. S. Air Force, weather forecaster; m. 1947 Ginny Marret, Grand Island, Nebr.

XI. (1) James Taylor Hastings Jr.: b. 12-20-1947.

XI. (2) Sherry Lynn Hastings: b. 7-8-1954.

X. b. Kenneth Howell Hastings, son of Tarpley Taylor and Kenyon Henry Hastings: b. 11-1-1921; grad. h. s. Enid, Okla.; U. S. Air Force, World War II; m. 12-20-1944 Wanda Jane Young (b. 3-10-1924, Cassville, Mo.).

X. c. Virginia Ruth Hastings, dau. of Tarpley Taylor and Kenyon Henry Hastings: b. 3-17-1921; grad. h. s. Enid, Okla.; m. 4-25-1942 Alexandria Strand (b. 9-9-1920, Eveleth, Minn.).

XI. (1) Linda Sue Strand: b. 5-21-1943.

X. d. Mary Lou Hastings, dau. of Tarpley Taylor and Kenyon Henry Hastings: b. 5-31-1927; grad. h. s. Enid, Okla., m. 6-1946 J. Lawrence James Fletcher (b. 5-18-1921).

XI. (1) Cynthia Lou Fletcher: b. 7-9-1947.

XI. (2) Susan Ruth Fletcher: b. 3-15-1959.

IX. 2. Mary Hastings, dau. of Harry Howell and Anna Louella Taylor Hastings: b. 1-19-1902; d. 11-26-1903.

VIII. D. Henry Charles Taylor, son of Tarpley Early and Elmira Martin Taylor: b. 4-16-1873; Drake University, Des Moines, Ia., 1891-93; B. Agr., Iowa State Coll., Ames, Ia., 1896; Ph. D. 1902, L.L. D.

(Hon.) 1933 Univ. of Wisconsin, Madison, Wis.; Phi Beta Kappa; Doctoris Rerum Politicarum Gradum Honoris Causa, Albert Ludwig Univ., Freiburg, Germany 1953; Distinguished Service Award, Drake Univ., Des Moines, Ia. 1956; listed in *Who's Who of America*, as agricultural economist; m. 6-7-1904 Elizabeth Bruner (b. 7-10-1874; d. 8-22-1957; dau. of Francis Marion and Esther Lane Bruner, Des Moines, Ia.); m. 2. 6-24-1941 Anne Dewees (b. 9-28-1885; d. 1-29-1959; dau. of Isaac and Elisabeth Talbot Dewees, Whittier, Ia.)

IX. A. Esther Elmira Taylor, dau. of Henry Charles and Elizabeth Bruner Taylor: b. 6-14-1908; B.A. Radcliffe Coll., Cambridge, Mass. 1931; M.A. Columbia Univ., New York, N. Y. 1958.

VIII. E. Carrie Sabelle, dau. of Tarpley Early and Elmira Martin Taylor: b. 4-18-1881; B.A. Drake Univ., Des Moines, Ia. 1907; M.A. Univ. of Iowa, Iowa City, Ia. 1930 in Latin and Greek; m. 6-19-1909 Roy Edwin Cabbage (b. 6-28-1883; d. 9-16-1920; son of Edwin and Josephine Barnhart Cabbage, Ida Grove Ia.; B. Ph. Drake Univ., Des Moines, Ia. 1907; L.L. B. Yale Univ., New Haven, Conn. 1908).

IX. 1. Ruth Josephine Cabbage, dau. of Roy Edwin and Carrie Taylor Cabbage: b. 7-26-1910; B.A. 1931, B. Mus. 1933 Drake Univ., Des Moines, Ia.; Phi Beta Kappa; B.S. Library Science, 1937, M.A. Music Librarianship, 1938, Columbia Univ., New York, N. Y.; m. 6-14-1941 James Andrew Dorsey (b. 8-17-1906, Northhampton, Mass.; B.S. Georgetown Univ., Washington, D. C. 1931; M.S. Univ. of Hartford, Hartford, Conn. 1954).

X. a. David James Dorsey: b. 3-7-1943.

X. b. Richard Henry Dorsey: b. 6-23-1946.



- IX. 2. Richard Taylor Cabbage, son of Roy Edwin and Carrie Taylor Cabbage: b. 6-21-1913; B.A. 1934, L.L. B. 1937 Drake Univ., Des Moines, Ia.; m. 6-22-1940 Virginia Cox (b. 4-10-1916; dau. of J. Lee and Wurt Davidson Cox, Woodlawn, Va.; B.A. Madison Coll., Va. 1936; M.A. 1939, Ph. D. Eng. Lit. 1944, Northwestern Univ., Easton, Ill.).
- X. a. Richard Taylor Cabbage Jr., b. 1-20-1943.
- X. b. Jean Terrell Cabbage: b. 2-13-1947.
- X. c. James Cox Cabbage: b. 1-11-1953.
- IX. 3. Betty Jean Cabbage, dau. of Roy Edwin and Carrie Taylor Cabbage: b. 1-29-1918; specialized in music and drama at Drake Univ., Des Moines, Ia.; graduated from Juilliard School of Music, New York, N. Y.; m. 6-1-1946 Herbert Voland (b. 10-2-1917, New Rochelle, N. Y.; attended Columbia Univ. and School of Theater, New York, N. Y.).
- X. a. Mark Richard Voland: b. 6-25-1952.
- X. b. John Taylor Voland: b. 10-23-1958.