

Below quoted is a letter from Ann Bulloch, 2217 North 56 Loop, Fort Smith, Arkansas, 72909 to Mr. Jack Morgan, 403 Allen Street, Thomaston, Georgia 30286. This letter will be found in a file folder at the Upson County Archives, Thomaston, Georgia. The folder is titled, "Charles V. Collier" and contains the appraisal and returns on the estate of Charles Vines Collier, Sr.

"Dear Mr. Morgan:

"Thanks for your letter of August 5, with info on HISTORY FOR UPSON COUNTY. Am ordering the book per your instructions from Bobby G. Smith, 206 West Main, Thomaston, Ga. \$27.50

"My father was Benjamin Vines Bulloch (5/1/1882-2/22/1958), born in Meriwether County, Ga, the son of Daniel Harrison Bulloch (7/16/1840-10/21/1920) and Matilda Ann Collier (1842-9/19/1927) who married during the civil war 11/1/1863 in Thomaston, Upson County, Ga.

"Matilda Ann Collier Bulloch was the daughter of Charles Vines Collier and had brothers, Jack & Billy and Vines and a nephew, **Clyde Collier**. We do not have any other information on Colliers except the 1860 census which listed: Chas V. Collier 66 born in Ga.

E B	40 female
R A	22 female
M A	18 female - student
P S	16 male farm hand
C V Jr	14 male
I E	11 male
E E	9 female

We assume Chas V is Chas V is Charles Vines.

We assume E B 40 is the wife but 26 years is big difference in age - could be she was the second wife or could be she was a daughter.

We assume MA 18 is Matilda Ann, our grandmother, as the initial and age match.

"After the wedding Daniel Harrison Bulloch brought his bride (Matilda Ann) to his home in Meriwether County to his parents home to stay while he returned to the war. According to our story, Matilda Ann had never done any physical work, not even combing her hair, and being left with her mother-in-law ( a hard working frontier woman, Lucinda Gray Bulloch who with her husband Cyprian Bulloch had 10 children born between 1834 and 1853 (Daniel Harrison was number 4), made it mighty hard for her.

"Don't know if Jack & Billy are nicknames or even if this census is our Matilda Ann - A sad, sad story that the Upson County census takers used initials instead of full names.

"Daniel Harrison Bulloch was the son of Cyprian Bulloch born in North Carolina (1/3/1802-1/21/1891 in Ga.) and Lucinda Gray Bulloch born in Georgia (3/29/1814-1/22/1893) and married 2/1/1833. Lucinda Gray's father was Samuel - no other info on him.

"Cyprian Bulloch was son of Stephen Bulloch born around 1778 in Edgecomb, North Carolina. Stephen married in 3/24/1800 Winny Robinson - besides Cyprian born in 1802, had another son Henry born in 1806. Winny died shortly after Henry was born. Her father had died in 1784, name was Jonathan, and left the mother Patience with 4 boys and 4 girls:

Willis and Wiley  
John and Reddin  
Winea and Milberry and Elvy

"At some time, John Robinson moved into Upson County and after Winny Robinson Bulloch died (some time after 1806), Stephen Bulloch was reported to have brought his two sons, Cyprian and Henry to the Uncle John Robinson in Upson County to raise. Last account of Stephen Bulloch was at an estate sale in 1815 in North Carolina - whether he died in the war, by Indians, or accident, or sickness - there is no other word.

"We have a snap-shot (maybe in the 1930s stamped on back HAMMOND PHOTO SERVICE, MERIDIAN, MISSISSIPPI no date) A young boy (maybe 11-12 in suit with bow tie), standing beside a white hair man with Mustache (60-65-70) back on an easel holding an oil painting of a Revolutionary days man (white wig like George Washington), on the back is this notation:

'This is papa and Uncle Jack's grandson, John Allen Collier, standing by a picture of great grandpa Collier, which is an oil painting over 100 years old.'

"Where or when we got the snap-shot, we have no idea - just showed up in our box of pictures. Course the photo shop in Meridian, Mississippi doesn't mean a thing. We used to send our box camera film to some place in Wisconsin. As far as I know, we never knew or corresponded with any Colliers - papa did mention Clyde Collier and Jim Collier.

"Any information you can give us on Charles Vines Collier and his family will be appreciated - especially the name of Charles Vines father. We did find some records in our public library on Colliers and if knew the name of Charles Vines' father, might tell us something.

"We hope to find some connecting links from the book HISTORY OF UPSON COUNTY. Are you related to the Colliers and if so which ones are your kin?

"And if you know of any of the Robinsons - as to what happened to Stephen Bulloch and why he brought the boys to Georgia and left them with Robinsons.

"Maybe a cousin of Colliers and Robinsons are interested in Geneology and has material on our common ancestors, any names and addresses would help us. Sincerely hope you are one and have a "raft" of material just waiting for us to ask you.

"Thanks for taking the time to write us and offering to help our search. If you are a Collier and would like a run-down on Matilda Ann's children and grandchildren, will be happy to tell you what we know.

Sincerely yours,

/s/ Ann Bulloch"