

Descendants of Ruth Coffin (Worth) Porter of Guilford County, North Carolina: A John Howland Descendant

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The purpose of this article is to document the descendants of Sidney and Ruth Coffin (Worth) Porter who appear in a recently discovered nineteenth-century framed family tree. The tree was discovered among about forty boxes, crates, and trunks of family history inherited by Kathy Russell-Regan and her brother Robert Russell after the death of their father, Jack Arlen Russell, in December 2020.¹ In addition to the framed tree are numerous photos, letters, books, Bibles, family registers, and other artifacts, some dating to the late eighteenth century, which belonged to the Porter family of Farmington, Connecticut.

The major document is drawn as an actual tree. On the roots at the base of the tree is the marriage of “Sidney Porter, Son of William & Sarah Porter” and “Ruth Coffin Worth, Daughter of Dr. David & Eunice Worth,” with “Were Married Apr. 22, 1824” on the tree’s trunk. Each child’s family is drawn as a limb, with the names of grandchildren and great-grandchildren on branches from the child’s limb. The tree was likely created after the 1824 marriage and then updated as late as 1895.²

Ruth Coffin Worth married Sidney Porter at Centre Community in Guilford County, North Carolina. Centre Community was about one mile west of Centre Friends Meeting which was due south of Greensboro along Polecat Creek.³ Sidney and Ruth were the grandparents of William Sydney Porter, known as the short story author O. Henry. In 2020, Gary Boyd Roberts documented the two lines of

¹ Jack Arlen Russell was a descendant of Romanta Porter of Farmington, Connecticut, through his mother Sylvia Porter. Romanta was the brother of Sidney Porter.

² Sidney and Ruth Coffin (Worth) Porter Family Tree (currently in possession of Kathy Russell-Regan), is hand-drawn, covers four generations, and seems to have been last updated between 1895 (when the birthdates of great-grandchildren Milton Worth Porter and Garnet Worth Bush were added) and 1896 (Garnet’s brother Jesse Green Bush, born that year, was not included).

³ C. Alphonso Smith, *O. Henry Biography* (Garden City, New York: Doubleday, Page and Company, 1916), 34; *History of North Carolina, Volume VI* (Chicago and New York: The Lewis Publishing Company, 1919), 290; William S. Powell, *Dictionary of North Carolina Biography*, 5 vols. (Chapel Hill, N.C. and London: The Univ. of North Carolina Press, 1979–1996), 5:127–128.

descent from *Mayflower* passenger John Howland for William through his grandmother Ruth in *The Mayflower 500*.⁴

Ruth Coffin Worth was the daughter of Dr. David Worth⁶⁻⁷ (Daniel^f, Lydia Gorham⁴, Shubael^f, Desire² Howland, John¹; Eunice⁶ Hussey [wife of Daniel Worth⁵], Sarah Gorham⁵, Stephen⁴, John³, Desire² Howland, John¹) and Eunice (Gardner) Worth, and the sister of North Carolina Governor Jonathan Worth. Ruth's father David appears in Elizabeth Pearson White's *John Howland of the Mayflower, Vol. 1*, in the sketch for his father Daniel Worth. Daniel was among a group of Quakers who emigrated from Nantucket Island, Massachusetts, to Guilford County, North Carolina, in 1771.⁵

Sidney Porter was a native of Farmington, Connecticut,⁶ who arrived by stagecoach at Kings Crossroads in Guilford County in the fall of 1822.⁷ Sidney had come to North Carolina as a traveling clock salesman who worked for Chauncey Jerome, the renowned Connecticut clockmaker.⁸ Sidney would later own a carriage and machinery repair shop in Greensboro until his death in 1848. His widow Ruth, left with a mortgage and seven children, opened her house to boarders to support the family.⁹ She would outlive her husband by forty-two years, dying at her Greensboro home in 1890.¹⁰

The following genealogical summary documents the descendants of Sidney and Ruth Coffin (Worth) Porter that appear in the framed Porter family tree and adds those who are missing. Each person included in the framed family tree is noted as such in the footnotes.

⁴ Gary Boyd Roberts, *The Mayflower 500: Five Hundred Notable Descendants of the Founding Families on the Mayflower* (Boston: NEHGS, 2020), 206.

⁵ Elizabeth Pearson White, *John Howland of the Mayflower, Volume 1* (Rockport, Maine: Picton Press, 1990), 598–599; Blackwell P. Robinson, et. al., *The History of Guilford County, North Carolina, U.S.A. to 1980, A.D.* (n.p.: Published with funds provided by the Guilford County Commissioners, Blue Bell, Inc., Cone Mills Corporation, Gilbarco, Inc., and other friends of history, 1981?), 15.

⁶ *The Greensboro Patriot* (Greensboro, North Carolina), 12 Feb. 1848, p. 3, obituary stating “the deceased was a native of Farmington, Connecticut.”

⁷ “Address of Dr. Archibald Henderson, of the University Faculty, in presenting, on behalf of the family, to the Supreme Court, a portrait of the late Judge Nathaniel Boyden, at one time a member of that body,” 28 January 1874, *North Carolina Digital Collections*, online at digital.ncdcr.gov/digital/collection/p16062coll29/id/249. Nathaniel Boyden was a fellow passenger on the stagecoach with Sidney Porter.

⁸ Smith, *O. Henry Biography*, 33–34, gives “C. and N. Jerome” as Sidney’s employers; Chauncey Jerome, *History of the American Clock Business for the Past Sixty Years, and Life of Chauncey Jerome* (New Haven, Conn.: F. C. Dayton, Jr., 1860), 47–49, shows that Chauncey was not yet in business with his brother Noble when Sidney Porter arrived in North Carolina.

⁹ Smith, *O. Henry Biography*, 35–39; David Stuart, *O. Henry: A Biography of William Sydney Porter* (Chelsea, Mich.: Scarborough House, 1990), 22–23.

¹⁰ *Fayetteville Weekly Observer* (Fayetteville, N.C.), 21 Aug. 1890, p. 3 (Ruth’s obituary).



The Sidney and Ruth Coffin (Worth) Porter Family Tree.

GENEALOGICAL SUMMARY

1. **RUTH COFFIN WORTH**⁷⁻⁸, daughter of Dr. David Worth⁶⁻⁷ (*Daniel*⁵, *Lydia Gorham*⁴, *Shubael*³, *Desire*² *Howland, John*¹; *Eunice*⁶ *Hussey* [wife of *Daniel*⁵ *Worth*], *Sarah Gorham*⁵, *Stephen*⁴, *John*³, *Desire*² *Howland, John*¹) and Eunice (Gardner) Worth, was born at Centre Community, North Carolina, 3 June 1805. She died at Greensboro, North Carolina, 17 August 1890 and was buried there at First Presbyterian Church Cemetery.¹¹

Ruth married at Centre Community 22 April 1824, **SIDNEY PORTER**, son of William and Sarah (Lusk) Porter.¹² He was born at Farmington, Connecticut, 2 February 1790, and baptized there with six siblings 11 October 1797. Sidney died at Greensboro 8 February 1848 and is buried there at First Presbyterian Church Cemetery.¹³

¹¹ Roberts, *The Mayflower 500*, 206; gravestone image at FindAGrave.com (memorial #28834879), with birth and death dates; *GSMD Membership Applications, 1620–1920*, American Ancestors.org, vol. John Howland, p. 1480, membership application for grandson Horace Waldo Porter, with Centre, North Carolina, as Ruth's birthplace, citing Bible records.

¹² Porter Family Tree (marriage); *North Carolina, County Marriages, 1762–1979*, Guilford County, FHL 102170506, Images 852 (bond) and 853 (license), and FHL 4263752, Image 385 (marriage); "Married," *North-Carolina Free Press* (Halifax, N.C.), 14 May 1824, p. 3; Smith, *O. Henry Biography*, 34.

¹³ Family register of William and Sarah (Lusk) Porter listing the birth and death dates of their children (currently in possession of Kathy Russell-Regan). The family register, probably created between 1805 and 1868, with identical handwriting and ink covers

Children of Sidney and Ruth Coffin (Worth)⁷⁻⁸ Porter, all prob. b. at Guilford Co., N.C.:

- 2 i. ALGERNON SIDNEY PORTER⁸⁻⁹, b. 22 Aug. 1825; m. MARY JANE VIRGINIA SWAIM.
- 3 ii. DAVID WORTH PORTER, b. 22 Sept. 1827; m. FRANCES A. "FANNIE" WALKER.
- 4 iii. EMILY ROSALINE PORTER, b. 21 July 1829; m. JABEZ F NEWLIN.
iv. JOHN PORTER, b. 27 Dec. 1830; d. 27 Dec. 1830.¹⁴
v. EVELINA MARIA PORTER, b. 1 April 1832; d. 28 May 1897; bur. Mill Creek United Methodist Church Cemetery, Columbia, S.C.¹⁵
- 5 vi. WILLIAM CLARKSON PORTER, b. 13 Sept. 1834; m. SARAH ROBERTA "BERTA" SLOAN.
vii. OSCAR LUSK PORTER, b. 2 Jan. 1837; d. 26 July 1838; bur. First Presbyterian Church Cemetery, Greensboro.¹⁶
viii. CHARLES EDWARD PORTER, b. 25 May 1839; d. 25 June 1865; bur. First Presbyterian Church Cemetery.¹⁷
ix. HENRY MILTON PORTER, b. 29 April 1842; d. 26 May 1867; bur. First Presbyterian Church Cemetery.¹⁸

names and dates through 1805. Death dates from 1868 through 1881 appear in various handwritings and ink. No dates between 1805 and 1868 are included even though two of their children died during this time. *Farmington First Congregational Church Records*, vol. 4, p. 54, FHL 4199687, Image 332, baptisms of Romanta, Ursula, Cynthia, Sidney, David, Elizur, and Annah, children of Wm. Porter; *The Greensboro Patriot* (Greensboro, N.C.), 12 Feb. 1848, p. 3, Sidney Porter's obituary stating "the deceased was a native of Farmington, Connecticut;" gravestone image at FindAGrave.com (memorial #28836302); *Hartford Courant* (Hartford, Conn.), 21 Feb. 1848, p. 2 (Sidney's obituary); Gary Boyd Roberts and William Addams Reitwiesner, *American Ancestors and Cousins of the Princess of Wales* (Baltimore: Genealogical Pub. Co., Inc., 1984), 52. In the outline for William Sydney Porter (a.k.a. short story author O. Henry), Roberts and Reitwiesner misidentify Sidney Porter as the son of Eleazer Williams and Sarah (Keyes) Porter, born at Hadley, Mass., 29 Sept. 1795, which had been claimed on genealogical charts in Ethel Stephens Arnett, *From England to North Carolina: Two Special Gifts* (New Bern, N.C.: The Tryon Palace Restoration, 1964), 84–85. William Porter (husband of Sarah Lusk), sold land in Farmington on 1 Feb. 1802 to Benjamin Belden of Bristol, Conn., that was described as William's "proportion thereof which is owned by Hond. [honoured] Mother Annah Lewis . . ." (Farmington Deeds, 34:489, FHL 8465902, image 599). Annah (Judd) (Moody) (Porter) Lewis, wife of Ebenezer Moody, David Porter, and Ezekiel Lewis, was born at Farmington 15 Oct. 1712, daughter of Samuel and Anne (____) (Hart) Judd (Farmington Vital Records [Barbour], LR2:98 [Ann's birth], LR5:13 [14 Oct. 1731 marriage of Ebenezer Moodey and Anne Judd], LR7:46 [26 July 1744 marriage of David Porter and wid. Anna Moodey], LR 11:576 [9 March 1758 marriage of Ezekiel Lewis and wid. Annah Porter]).

¹⁴ Porter Family Tree (birth and death dates).

¹⁵ Porter Family Tree (birth date); gravestone image at FindAGrave.com (memorial #22660653).

¹⁶ Porter Family Tree (birth and death dates); gravestone image at FindAGrave.com (memorial #28834869).

¹⁷ Porter Family Tree (birth and death dates); gravestone image at FindAGrave.com (memorial #28834822).

¹⁸ Porter Family Tree (birth and death dates); gravestone image at FindAGrave.com (memorial #28834828).

2. **DR. ALGERNON SIDNEY PORTER**⁸⁻⁹ (*Ruth Worth*⁷⁻⁸, *David*⁶⁻⁷, *Daniel*⁵, *Lydia Gorham*⁴, *Shubael*³, *Desire*² *Howland*, *John*¹; *Eunice*⁶ *Hussey* [wife of *Daniel*⁵ *Worth*], *Sarah Gorham*⁵, *Stephen*⁴, *John*³, *Desire*² *Howland*, *John*¹) was born at Guilford County, North Carolina, 22 August 1825. He died at Greensboro, North Carolina, 29 September 1888 and was buried there at First Presbyterian Church Cemetery.¹⁹

Algernon married at Greensboro 15 April 1858, **MARY JANE VIRGINIA SWAIM**, daughter of William and Abiah (Shirley) Swaim. She was born at Greensboro 12 February 1833, and died at Greensboro 26 September 1865 and is buried there at First Presbyterian Church Cemetery. Her father William Swaim was the editor of the *Greensboro Patriot* (sometimes called the *Daily Evening Patriot*).²⁰

Children of Dr. Algernon Sidney and Mary Jane Virginia (Swaim) Porter⁸⁻⁹, all prob. b. at Greensboro:²¹

- i. SHIRLEY WORTH "SHELL" PORTER⁹⁻¹⁰, b. 6 Aug. 1860; d. Greenville, N.C., 6 Nov. 1945, bur. Ayden Cemetery, Ayden, N.C.;²² m. Manchester, Va., 27 Jan. 1907, MARY E. "MOLLIE" HARMON, b. Rich Square, N.C., 11 Sept. 1870, dau. of Fletcher and Emma (Watson) Harmon, d. Ayden 9 April 1934, bur. there at Ayden Cemetery. Shirley and Mary had no issue. Shirley had one stepson, Kenneth Rufus Vanstory (later Porter), by his wife Mary from an earlier marriage.²³
- 6 ii. WILLIAM SIDNEY/SYDNEY PORTER, b. 11 Sept. 1862; m. (1) ATHOL ESTES; m. (2) SARA COLEMAN.
- iii. DAVID WEIR PORTER, b. 26 March 1865; d. 1866.²⁴

¹⁹ Porter Family Tree (birth date); gravestone image at FindAGrave.com (memorial #28834813); *The Daily Evening Patriot* (Greensboro, N.C.), 2 Oct. 1888, p. 4 (Algernon's obituary); *The State Chronicle* (Raleigh, N.C.), 5 Oct. 1888, p. 2 (also Algernon's obituary). Birthplaces are based on the parents' marriage, and residence in Guilford County until their deaths. The gravestone for Algernon S. Porter is inscribed with an incorrect death date of 20 Sept. 1889. *The Daily Evening Patriot* obituary for Algernon states that he died at his mother's home on Saturday, 29 Sept. 1888, with funeral services held Monday, 1 Oct. 1888.

²⁰ Porter Family Tree (marriage date); North Carolina, County Marriages, 1762–1979, FHL 102170506, image 850; "Mother of O. Henry Woman of Talent," *The Charlotte Observer* (Charlotte, N.C.), 7 Sept. 1941, Sect. 3, p. 14; "The Life of William Swaim," *The Greensboro Patriot* (Greensboro, N.C.), 22 June 1866, p. 2; Smith, *O. Henry Biography*, 25–26; gravestone image at FindAGrave.com (memorial #28834853). Mary's birth year is incorrectly inscribed on her tombstone as 1825 (her husband's birth year).

²¹ Greensboro History Museum, William Sidney Porter Papers (Mss. Coll. 11), online at archives.greensborohistory.org/manuscripts/porter-ws (see Biographical Note).

²² Porter Family Tree (birth date); *Greensboro Record* (Greensboro, North Carolina), 15 November 1945, p. 8 (Shirley's obituary); gravestone image at FindAGrave.com (memorial #157993391).

²³ Virginia Marriages, 1785–1940, FHL 7578226, image 146; N.C. death cert., Pitt Co., year: 1934, cert. no. 443; gravestone image at FindAGrave.com (memorial #158088835); 1900 U.S. Census, N.C., Guilford Co., Gilmer, household no. 229, Mary Vanstory household; 1910 U.S. Census, Va., Chesterfield Co., Richmond, Washington Ward, household no. 124, Shirley W. Porter household.

²⁴ Porter Family Tree (birth date, death [no date]); Greensboro History Museum, William Sidney Porter Papers.

3. **DAVID WORTH PORTER**⁸⁻⁹ (*Ruth*⁷⁻⁸ *Worth*, *David*⁶⁻⁷, *Daniel*⁵, *Lydia*⁴ *Gorham*, *Shubael*³, *Desire*² *Howland*, *John*¹; *Eunice*⁶ *Hussey* [wife of *Daniel*⁵ *Worth*], *Sarah*⁵ *Gorham*, *Stephen*⁴, *John*³, *Desire*² *Howland*, *John*¹) was probably born at Guilford County, North Carolina, 22 September 1827. He died at Asheboro, North Carolina, 6 February 1882 and was buried there at Asheboro City Cemetery.²⁵

David married at Randolph County, North Carolina, 18 November 1851, **FRANCES A. “FANNIE” WALKER**, daughter of Samuel and Sarah (Hill) Walker.²⁶ She was born in North Carolina 12 January 1833, and died at Asheboro 17 May 1911 and is buried there at Asheboro City Cemetery.²⁷

Children of David Worth and Frances A. (Walker) Porter⁸⁻⁹, all prob. b. at Asheboro:

- i. SARAH LEONORA “NORA” PORTER⁹⁻¹⁰, b. 30 or 31 Oct. 1852; d. 15 March 1899, bur. Asheboro City Cemetery.²⁸
- 7 ii. JULIA EVALINA PORTER, b. 20 July 1854; m. GEORGE GARDNER GRAY.
- iii. RUTH LOUISA PORTER, b. 9 Dec. 1856; d. Fentress Township, Guilford Co., 27 July 1881, bur. Asheboro City Cem.;²⁹ m. Asheboro 12 Aug. 1880, DR. MILLARD FILLMORE FOX, b. Franklinville, N.C., 28 Nov. 1852, son of James T. and Patience (Allred) Fox, d. Norfolk, Va., 15 Aug. 1925, bur. New Garden Friends Cemetery, Greensboro. Ruth and Millard had no issue. Dr. Fox married, second, Flora Dixon, with whom he had several children.³⁰

²⁵ Porter Family Tree (birth and death dates); *The Biblical Recorder* (Raleigh, North Carolina), 15 Feb. 1882, p. 3 (David's obituary); gravestone image at FindAGrave.com (memorial #76135514), inscription includes birth and death dates.

²⁶ Porter Family Tree (marriage date); *North Carolina Standard* (Raleigh, N.C.), 26 Nov. 1851, p. 4, identifies bride's father as “Samuel Walker, dec'd”; 1840 U.S. Census, N.C., Randolph Co., South Division, p. 64; 1850 U.S. Census, N.C., Randolph Co., Southern Division, dwelling no. 969; *North Carolina, U.S., Marriage Records, 1741–2011*, Ancestry.com, Randolph Co. marriage bond for Samuel Walker and Sarah Hill dated 1 March 1828. The gender and ages of the children in Samuel Walker's household in the 1840 census match those of his widow Sarah's household in the 1850 census, which includes daughter Fanny, age 17.

²⁷ Gravestone at FindAGrave.com (memorial #76135346), inscription includes birth and death dates.

²⁸ Porter Family Tree (birth date), gives birth date as 30 Oct.; gravestone image at FindAGrave.com (memorial #118949504), gives birth date as 31 Oct.; *The Union Republican* (Winston-Salem, N.C.), 23 March 1899, p. 7 (Nora's obituary). Nora suffered from epilepsy. During an epileptic fit, she fell into a fire and died within five minutes after having her face and arms “burned to a crisp.”

²⁹ Porter Family Tree (birth and marriage dates); gravestone image at FindAGrave.com (memorial #76135766), inscription includes birth and death dates; *The Wilmington Morning Star* (Wilmington, N.C.), 31 July 1881, p. 4 (Ruth's obituary).

³⁰ Porter Family Tree (marriage date); North Carolina, County Marriages, 1762–1979, FHL 4016452, image 198; *Directory of Deceased American Physicians, 1804–1929*, Ancestry.com, JAMA Citation 85:763, includes birth and death dates and places; *The News and Observer* (Raleigh, N.C.), 17 Aug. 1925, p. 2 (Millard's obituary); 1925 Virginia Death Cert., no. 18853. The evidence for the parents of Millard Fox is circumstantial. He appears in 1860 and 1870 as a child in the household of James T. and Patience (Allred) Fox (census). Millard appears on the inventory and, with his siblings, on the administrator's bond for

- iv. MARY ANNA PORTER, b. 12 March 1859; d. 8 Jan. 1860.³¹
- 8 v. CHARLES ADDISON PORTER, b. 20 July 1861; m. MARTHA ALLEN MEEKINS.
- 9 vi. LILLIAN L. PORTER, b. 18 Oct. 1864; m. REV. ANGUS ROBERTSON SHAW.
- 10 vii. FRANCES WALKER PORTER, b. 31 March 1868; m. DR. CHARLES CALVIN HUBBARD.
- 11 viii. SAMUEL SIDNEY PORTER, b. 17 April 1871; m. IDA JOSSIE POWELL.
- 12 ix. MATTIE BELLE PORTER (twin), b. 3 April 1875; m. DR. WILLIAM JAMES MOORE.
- x. MINNIE HILL PORTER (twin), b. 3 Apr 1875; d. 20 Oct. 1877, bur. Asheboro City Cemetery.³²

4. **EMILY ROSALINE PORTER**,⁸⁻⁹ (*Ruth*⁷⁻⁸ *Worth*, *David*⁶⁻⁷, *Daniel*⁵, *Lydia*⁴ *Gorham*, *Shubael*³, *Desire*² *Howland*, *John*¹; *Eunice*⁶ *Hussey* [wife of *Daniel*⁵ *Worth*], *Sarah*⁵ *Gorham*, *Stephen*⁴, *John*³, *Desire*² *Howland*, *John*¹) was probably born at Guilford County, North Carolina, 21 July 1829. She died at High Point, North Carolina, 15 July 1863 and was buried at Marlboro Friends Meeting Cemetery, Sophia, North Carolina.³³

Emily married at Greensboro, North Carolina, 2 April 1856, **JABEZ FARLOW NEWLIN**, son of Joseph and Ruth (Farlow) Newlin. He was born in North Carolina 5 February 1826, died 18 August 1877, and is buried at Marlboro Friends Meeting Cemetery.³⁴

Children of Jabez Farlow and Emily Rosaline (Porter)⁸⁻⁹ Newlin, all prob. b. at Greensboro, N.C.:

- 13 i. JOSEPH SIDNEY NEWLIN⁹⁻¹⁰, b. 13 May 1857; m. TALULAH P. "LULA" STARR.
- 14 ii. LINA PORTER NEWLIN, b. 26 Jan. 1859; m. JOHN RICHARD BUSH.
- 15 iii. MARY LOU NEWLIN, b. 8 March 1861; m. GREEN BERRY BUSH JR.

5. **WILLIAM CLARKSON PORTER**⁸⁻⁹, (*Ruth*⁷⁻⁸ *Worth*, *David*⁶⁻⁷, *Daniel*⁵, *Lydia*⁴ *Gorham*, *Shubael*³, *Desire*² *Howland*, *John*¹; *Eunice*⁶ *Hussey* [wife of *Daniel*⁵ *Worth*], *Sarah*⁵ *Gorham*, *Stephen*⁴, *John*³, *Desire*² *Howland*, *John*¹) was

his father's estate, although their relationships are not given (1879 Randolph Co. Probate). Millard also names a son James T. Fox (Millard's obituary). A Randolph County marriage bond for James T. Fox and Patience Allred, dated 1 May 1847, identified his mother's maiden name (FHL #7742036, Image 497).

³¹ Porter Family Tree (birth and death dates); gravestone image at FindAGrave.com (memorial #76135941).

³² Porter Family Tree (birth date); gravestone image at FindAGrave.com (memorial #118765001).

³³ Porter Family Tree (birth date); Algie I. Newlin and Harvey Newlin, *The Newlin Family: Ancestors and Descendants of John and Mary Pyle Newlin* (Greensboro, N.C.: Algie I. Newlin, 1965), 526; *The Greensboro Patriot* (Greensboro, N.C.), 30 July 1863, p. 3 (Emily's obituary); gravestone image (mostly illegible) at FindAGrave.com (memorial #104226545).

³⁴ Porter Family Tree (marriage date); Newlin and Newlin, *The Newlin Family*, 526; N.C. marriage cert., Guilford Co., FHL #102170506, Image 76; *The Greensboro Patriot* (Greensboro, N.C.), 4 April 1856, p. 3 (marriage); U.S., *Quaker Meeting Records, 1681-1935*, Ancestry.com, Marlboro Monthly Meeting Records, vol. 2, Births and Deaths, p. 26 (birth); gravestone image at FindAGrave.com (memorial #104196257).

born at Greensboro, North Carolina, 13 September 1834. He died at Greensboro 5 April 1902 and was buried there at Green Hill Cemetery.³⁵

William married at Greensboro 31 March 1873, **SARAH ROBERTA “BERTA” SLOAN**, daughter of Robert M. and Sarah Jane (Paisley) Sloan. She was born at Greensboro 10 April 1852, died there 5 September 1903, and was buried at Green Hill Cemetery.³⁶

Children of William Clarkson and Sarah Roberta (Sloan) Porter⁸⁻⁹, all prob. b. at Greensboro:

- i. ROBERT SLOAN PORTER⁹⁻¹⁰, b. 2 Oct. 1875; d. 2 Sept. 1883, bur. Green Hill Cemetery, Greensboro.³⁷
- 16 ii. RUTH WORTH PORTER, b. 17 Jan. 1878; m. JULIUS HUGUENIN ADAMS.
- 17 iii. WILLIAM CLARKSON PORTER JR., b. 1 March 1880; m. CHARLOTTE DAVIS “LOTTIE” HARRISS.
- 18 iv. FRANCIS LOGAN PORTER, b. 30 June 1882; m. ANNA LOUISE CONITY.
- 19 v. HORACE WALDO PORTER, b. 8 Nov. 1885; m. RACHEL JAMES PETTY.
- vi. JOHN SLOAN PORTER, b. 12 Dec. 1890; d. 26 June 1893, bur. Green Hill Cemetery.³⁸

6. **WILLIAM SIDNEY/SYDNEY PORTER**⁹⁻¹⁰, (*Algernon*⁸⁻⁹, *Ruth*⁷⁻⁸ *Worth*, *David*⁶⁻⁷, *Daniel*⁵, *Lydia*⁴ *Gorham*, *Shubael*³, *Desire*² *Howland*, *John*¹; *Eunice*⁶ *Hussey* [wife of *Daniel*⁵ *Worth*], *Sarah*⁵ *Gorham*, *Stephen*⁴, *John*³, *Desire*² *Howland*, *John*¹) was born at Greensboro, North Carolina, 11 September 1862. He died at New York, New York, 5 June 1910 and was buried at Riverside Cemetery, Asheville, North Carolina.³⁹

William married, first, at Austin, Texas, 1 July 1887, **ATHOL ESTES**, daughter of Alston and Martha J. (Boyers) Estes. She was born at Clarksville, Tennessee, 19 April 1868. Athol died at Austin, Texas,

³⁵ Porter Family Tree (birth date); *GSMD Membership Applications, 1620–1920*, AmericanAncestors.org, vol. John Howland, pages 1480:3 and 3378:3, membership application for sons Francis Logan Porter and Horace Waldo Porter; *The Greensboro Patriot* (Greensboro, N.C.), 9 April 1902, p. 1 (William’s obituary); gravestone image at FindAGrave.com (memorial #17598264).

³⁶ Porter Family Tree (marriage date); *GSMD Membership Applications, 1620–1920*, vol. John Howland, pages 1480:3 and 3378:3, membership application for sons Francis Logan Porter and Horace Waldo Porter; *North Carolina, County Marriages, 1762–1979*, Greensboro, Guilford Co., FHL 102170509, Image 411; gravestone image at FindAGrave.com (memorial #17601514); Guilford Co. marriage bond for John M. Sloan and Sarah Jane Paisley, dated 31 Aug. 1836, FHL 102170506, Image 1864.

³⁷ Porter Family Tree (birth and death dates); gravestone image at FindAGrave.com (memorial #57453516).

³⁸ Porter Family Tree (birth and death dates); gravestone image at FindAGrave.com (memorial #57453776).

³⁹ Porter Family Tree (birth date); Stuart, *O. Henry: A Biography*, 19, 240–241, incorrectly states Saturday, June 4, as June 9; “Greensboro Marks O. Henry’s Birthday with New Memorial,” *Asheville Citizen-Times* (Asheville, N.C.), 14 Sept. 1947, p. 1-B; “Riverside Cemetery,” *Asheville Citizen-Times*, 17 Aug. 1947, p. 7-B; gravestone image at FindAGrave.com (memorial #772).

25 July 1897 and is buried there at Oakwood Cemetery.⁴⁰ William married, second, at Victoria (now part of Asheville), North Carolina, 27 November 1907, **SARA LINDSAY COLEMAN**, daughter of Thaddeus C. and Mary (Slone) Coleman. She was born at Greensboro 18 February 1868. Sara died at Weaverville, North Carolina, 14 August 1959, and is buried at Riverside Cemetery, Asheville.⁴¹

William Sydney Porter is also known as short story author O. Henry. His middle name was originally Sidney, but he later changed it to Sydney.

Children of William Sidney/Sydney and Athol (Estes) Porter⁹⁻¹⁰, b. at Austin:

- i. INFANT SON¹⁰⁻¹¹, b. 6 May 1888; d. Austin, 6 May 1888, bur. Oakwood Cemetery, Austin.⁴²
- ii. MARGARET WORTH “PEGGY” PORTER, b. 30 Sept. 1889; d. Banning, Calif., 9 May 1927, bur. Riverside Cem., Asheville; m. (1) New York, N.Y., 15 July 1916, OSCAR EDWARD CESARE; m. (2) Banning 5 May 1927, ALIC JEAN “GUY” SARTIN.⁴³

7. JULIA EVALINA PORTER⁹⁻¹⁰, (*David*⁸⁻⁹, *Ruth*⁷⁻⁸ *Worth*, *David*⁶⁻⁷, *Daniel*⁵, *Lydia*⁴ *Gorham*, *Shubael*³, *Desire*² *Howland*, *John*¹; *Eunice*⁶ *Hussey* [wife of

⁴⁰ Porter Family Tree (marriage date); “Greensboro Marks O. Henry’s Birthday with New Memorial,” *Asheville Citizen-Times* (Asheville, N.C.), 14 Sept. 1947, p. 1-B; *Texas, U.S., Select County Marriage Records, 1837–1965*, Ancestry.com, Travis County, 6:550, license 1 July 1887, marriage on “fifth day of July”; *Austin American-Statesman* (Austin, Tex.), 2 July 1887, p. 4 (marriage); Stuart, *O. Henry: A Biography*, 47; Frances Grimes Sitherwood, *The Graham-Grimes Genealogy with Cognate Branches, 1756–1926* (Bloomington, Ill.: F. G. S., 1926), 29–30; gravestone image at FindAGrave.com (memorial #63335370). The Travis County marriage record and Athol’s obituary give her marriage date as 5 July 1887, but the county marriage record was not entered until 5 Nov. 1887, certainly in error. The Porter Family Tree gives the date as 1 July 1887, as does the wedding notice that appeared the next day in the *Austin American-Statesman*, which notes that the ceremony was performed the previous day by the Rev. Richmond Kelly Smoot at his home in Austin. The mother of Athol Estes is identified in Sitherwood, *The Graham-Grimes Genealogy*, and her father was identified in her parents’ marriage record at Davidson Co., Tenn., 9 Feb. 1867, FHL #4486011, Image 249.

⁴¹ “Greensboro Marks O. Henry’s Birthday with New Memorial,” *Asheville Citizen-Times* (Asheville, N.C.), 14 Sept. 1947, p. 1-B; *U.S. Passport Applications*, Ancestry.com, Issued: 4 May 1920, Cert. No. 27675 (birth); Buncombe County, N.C., Marriage Register Female, A-K, 1851–1937, p. 194, FHL #7611814, Image 106; *Asheville Citizen-Times*, 28 Nov. 1907, p. 2 (marriage); Stuart, *O. Henry: A Biography*, 206–209; N.C. death cert., Buncombe Co., 1959, no. 20741; gravestone image at FindAGrave.com (memorial #11938399).

⁴² *Austin American-Statesman* (Austin, Tex.), 14 Feb. 1993, p. B-6, gives infant’s name as Anson; Stuart, *O. Henry: A Biography*, 48, gives infant’s name as William Sidney Porter Jr.; William Sidney Porter Papers, Greensboro History Museum, section titled “Texas Years,” does not state infant’s name.

⁴³ Porter Family Tree (birth date); Stuart, *O. Henry: A Biography*, 48; gravestone image at FindAGrave.com (memorial #31844856); *Evening Tribune* (San Diego), 25 May 1927, p. 2 (Peggy’s obituary); O. Henry Museum Collection, image of wedding invitation at brushsquaremuseums.catalogaccess.com/archives/2267023 (first marriage); *The New York Times*, 19 July 1916, p. 9 (first marriage); *The American Weekly*, magazine section of *The San Francisco Examiner*, p. 7 (second marriage); U.S., *World War I Draft Registration Cards, 1917–1918*, Ancestry.com, New York, Manhattan, Draft Board 159, Draft Card S, Image 60, identifies Alic Jean Sartin’s full name.

Daniel⁵ Wörth], Sarah⁵ Gorham, Stephen⁴, John³, Desire² Howland, John¹) was born at Asheboro, North Carolina, 20 July 1854. She died at New Market Township, North Carolina, 24 November 1920 and was buried at Ebenezer United Methodist Church Cemetery, Archdale, North Carolina.⁴⁴

Julia married at Asheboro 1 or 24 September 1874, **GEORGE GARDNER GRAY**, son of Abner and Irene (Gardner) Gray. He was born at Randolph County, North Carolina, 24 November 1843. George died at New Market Township 15 May 1923 and is buried at Ebenezer United Methodist Church Cemetery.⁴⁵

Children of George Gardner and Julia Evalina (Porter)⁹⁻¹⁰ Gray, all prob. b. at New Market Township:

- i. MAMIE CORNELIA GRAY¹⁰⁻¹¹, b. 28 June 1875; d. on or shortly before 22 Feb. 1906 (death notice), bur. Ebenezer United Methodist Church Cemetery, Archdale.⁴⁶
- ii. ERNEST WORTH GRAY, b. 29 July 1877; d. Louisville, Ky., 8 June 1976; bur. South Jefferson Cemetery, Louisville; m. (1) Louisville 3 Jan. 1904, ANNA BELLE ORMS; m. (2) New Market Township 2 May 1963, CORNELIA FLORENCE "NEALIE" (MCQUEEN) BREWER.⁴⁷
- iii. FANNIE IRENE GRAY, b. 24 Dec. 1878; d. 30 Nov. 1949, bur. Ebenezer United Methodist Church Cemetery, Archdale.⁴⁸
- iv. BESSIE L. GRAY, b. 7 May 1880; d. 4 Feb. 1885, bur. Ebenezer United Methodist Church Cemetery.⁴⁹
- v. LOUISA FOX GRAY, b. 2 or 21 Aug. 1881; d. Hendersonville, N.C., 31 Jan.

⁴⁴ Porter Family Tree (birth date); *The Courier* (Asheboro, North Carolina), 25 Nov. 1920, p. 8 (obituary); N.C. death cert., Randolph County, FHL #4215986, Image 1411; gravestone image at FindAGrave.com (memorial #49607828).

⁴⁵ Porter Family Tree (marriage date), gives date as 1 Sept. 1874; N.C. marriage register, Randolph County, 4:11, FHL #4016452, Image 161, gives marriage date as 24 Sept. 1874; North Carolina death cert., Randolph County, FHL #4216201, Image 2136; *The Courier* (Asheboro, N.C.), 17 May 1923, p. 4 (George's obituary); gravestone image at FindAGrave.com (memorial #49607799). An undated unidentified newspaper clipping of a tribute to Mrs. Julia Evalina Gary by Dr. A. R. Shaw was uploaded to Ancestry.com, 29 March 2013. The tribute also gives the marriage date as 1 Sept. 1874.

⁴⁶ Porter Family Tree (birth date); *The Courier* (Asheboro, N.C.), 22 Feb. 1906, p. 7 (death notice); gravestone image at FindAGrave.com (memorial #49607198), death year.

⁴⁷ Porter Family Tree (birth date); U.S., *World War II Draft Registration Cards, 1942*, Ancestry.com, Ernest's birth; *The Courier-Journal* (Louisville), 10 June 1976, p. D-11 (death notice); gravestone image at FindAGrave.com (memorial #188782407); Jefferson County, Ky. Marriage register, 21:21, FHL 553536, Image 73 (first marriage); Randolph Co., N.C. marriage register, 8:171-172, Image 270 (second marriage); N.C. death cert., Guilford County, 1968, no. 34392 (Nealie Brewer Gray); North Carolina marriage register, Randolph County, 6: 27, FHL 4016452, Image 370 (first marriage of Cornelia McQueen). Anna Belle's full name is found in son Robert Lee Gray's birth record, FHL 7580043, Image 136. Cornelia Florence's middle name is found in her children's birth records, FHL 8514015, Images 871 and 873.

⁴⁸ Porter Family Tree (birth date); N.C. death cert., Burke Co., 1949, no. 24646, FHL 4217881, Image 1683; *Greensboro Daily News* (Greensboro, N.C.), 1 Dec. 1949, p. 2-14 (Fannie's obituary); gravestone image at FindAGrave.com (memorial #49607100).

⁴⁹ Porter Family Tree (birth and death dates); gravestone image at FindAGrave.com (memorial #49607175).

- 1969, bur. Piedmont Baptist Church Cemetery, Rutherfordton, N.C.⁵⁰
- vi. RUTH PORTER GRAY, b. 27 Oct. 1882; d. Washington, D.C., 30 March 1959, bur. Ebenezer United Methodist Church Cemetery, Archdale; m. Washington, D.C., 28 June 1939, CLARENCE EUGENE GOULD.⁵¹
- vii. GEORGE GARDNER GRAY JR., b. 21 Feb. 1884; d. Greensboro, N.C., 14 Dec. 1906, bur. Ebenezer United Methodist Church Cemetery, Archdale.⁵²
- viii. ABEL DAVID GRAY, b. 20 April 1885; d. High Point, N.C., 17 July 1949, bur. Ebenezer United Methodist Church Cemetery, Archdale; m. Randolph Co., N.C., 27 July 1921, MAMIE BELL HOLLAND.⁵³
- ix. JULIA ETHEL GRAY, b. 21 Jan. 1887; d. Morganton, N.C., 29 May 1930, bur. Ebenezer United Methodist Church Cemetery, Archdale.⁵⁴
- x. EMORY ALEXANDER GRAY, b. 3 Oct. 1889; d. High Point, N.C., 1 Aug. 1963, bur. Ebenezer United Methodist Church Cemetery, Archdale.⁵⁵
- xi. LILLIAN EVALINA "LINA" GRAY, b. 6 Nov. 1892; d. Dade Co., Fla., 8 Nov. 1976.⁵⁶

8. **CHARLES ADDISON PORTER**⁹⁻¹⁰, (*David*⁸⁻⁹, *Ruth*⁷⁻⁸ *Worth*, *David*¹⁶⁻⁷, *Daniel*⁵, *Lydia*⁴ *Gorham*, *Shubael*³, *Desire*² *Howland*, *John*¹; *Eunice*⁶ *Hussey* [wife of *Daniel*¹⁵ *Worth*], *Sarah*⁵ *Gorham*, *Stephen*⁴, *John*³, *Desire*² *Howland*, *John*¹) was born Asheboro, North Carolina, 20 July 1861. He died at Waycross, Georgia, 23 May 1924, and was buried there at Lott Cemetery.⁵⁷

Charles married probably at Florence, South Carolina, 1 Feb. 1887, **MARTHA ALLEN MEEKINS**, daughter of Philip P. and Ada (Edens) Meekins. She was born at Bennettsville, South Carolina, 9 November

⁵⁰ Porter Family Tree (birth date): gives name as Louisa Fox Gray and birth date as 2 August 1881; N.C. death cert., Henderson Co., 1969, no. 2234, FHL 4215184, Image 239, gives name as Lou N. Gray and birth date as 21 Aug. 1881; *The News and Observer* (Raleigh, N.C.), 1 Dec. 1949, p. 24, obituary for sister confirms middle name of Fox.

⁵¹ Porter Family Tree (birth date); *Greensboro Daily News* (Greensboro, N.C.), 2 April 1959, p. A4 (death notice); District of Columbia Marriages, 1811–1950, FamilySearch.org, FHL 2319179, Image 284; 1940 U.S. Census, D.C., Washington, household no. 257 (hotel), gives full name of Clarence Eugene Gould.

⁵² Porter Family Tree (birth date); *Greensboro Record* (Greensboro, N.C.), 15 Dec. 1906, p. 8 (George's obituary); gravestone image at FindAGrave.com (memorial #49607712).

⁵³ Porter Family Tree (birth date); NC. death cert., Guilford Co., 1949, no. 17891, FHL 4217873, Image 914; gravestone image at FindAGrave.com (memorial #49126851); Randolph County, N.C. marriage register, 7: 161–162, FHL 7611867, Image 59.

⁵⁴ Porter Family Tree (birth date); N.C. death cert., Burke County, 1930, no. 342, FHL 4221115, Image 1315; gravestone image at FindAGrave.com (memorial #49607119).

⁵⁵ Porter Family Tree (birth date); N.C. death cert., Guilford County, 1963, no. 25216, FHL 4213562, Image 2304; gravestone image at FindAGrave.com (memorial #49607081).

⁵⁶ Porter Family Tree (birth date); *Florida, U.S., Death Index, 1877–1998*, Ancestry.com, Dade County; 1900 U.S. Census, N.C., Randolph Co., New Market, E.D. 91, household no. 164, George Gray household, identifies Lillian's middle name.

⁵⁷ Porter Family Tree (birth date); Georgia death cert., Ware County, 1924, no. 16519, FHL 4179282, Image 713; *The Courier* (Asheboro, N.C.), 29 May 1924, p. 1 (obituary), gives incorrect death date; gravestone image at FindAGrave.com (memorial #15829217).

1867. Martha died at Waycross, Georgia, 31 August 1928, and is buried there at Lott Cemetery.⁵⁸

Children of Charles Addison and Martha Allen (Meekins) Porter⁹⁻¹⁰:

- i. REGINALD MCGEE PORTER¹⁰⁻¹¹, b. Foreston, S.C., 7 Jan. 1888; d. Ware Co., Ga., 19 March 1969, bur. Oakland Cem., Waycross, Ga.; m. Sylvester, Ga., 4 June 1913, NANCY ELIZABETH PERRY.⁵⁹
- ii. KARL ROSS PORTER, b. Millboro, N.C., 19 July 1890; d. Waycross, 11 Nov. 1942, bur. Hillcrest Cem., Sylvester; m. Asheville, N.C., 15 Aug. 1922, TOMMIE CARLEISE HILL.⁶⁰
- iii. GLADYS PORTER, b. N.C., 20 July 1893; d. Pierce Co., Ga., 9 Nov. 1945, bur. Blackshear City Cem., Blackshear, Ga.; m. prob. Waycross shortly after 15 Feb. 1925 (wedding engagement), JOHN RANDALL GRIFFIS.⁶¹
- iv. MILTON WORTH PORTER, b. Millboro, N.C., 9 Aug. 1895; d. Camp Wheeler, Ga., 17 Nov. 1917, bur. Lott Cemetery, Waycross.⁶²
- v. LAURIN MCSWAIN PORTER, b. prob. Adamsville, S.C., 26 March 1898; d. Ware Co. 17 March 1959, bur. Oakland Cemetery; m. (1) from 7 Jan. 1920 to 27 Sept. 1922 (between census and daughter's birth), ERA JANE (THORNTON) HILTON; m. (2) Jacksonville, Fla., 8 Aug. 1934, RUBY ELLEN THOMPSON.⁶³

⁵⁸ Porter Family Tree (marriage date); Georgia death cert., Ware County, year: 1928, cert. no. 25497, FHL 4335853, Image 828; *The Atlanta Constitution*, 3 Sept. 1928, p. 2 (Martha's obituary); gGravestone image at FindAGrave.com (memorial #15829273).

⁵⁹ Porter Family Tree (birth date); U.S., *World War I Draft Registration Cards, 1917-1918*, Reginald's birth; *Georgia Death Index, 1933-1998*, FamilySearch.org, Ware County, 1969, no. 11209; gravestone image at FindAGrave.com (memorial #86012246); Ga. marriage cert., Worth Co., vol. White 1908-1927, p. 165, FHL 7716413, Image 120; *The Atlanta Constitution*, 8 June 1913, p. 9 (marriage).

⁶⁰ Porter Family Tree (birth date); U.S. *World War I Draft Registration Cards, 1917-1918*, Ancestry.com (Karl's birth); *Georgia Death Index, 1933-1998*, Ware Co., 1942, no. 25384; *The Atlanta Constitution*, 13 Nov. 1942, p. 13 (Karl's obituary); gravestone image at FindAGrave.com (memorial #59927977); Buncombe Co., N.C., Marriage Register Female, A-K, 1851-1937, p. 427, FHL 7611814, Image 227; *Asheville Citizen-Times* (Asheville, N.C.), 17 Aug. 1922, p. 6 (marriage).

⁶¹ Porter Family Tree (birth date); *Georgia Death Index, 1933-1998*, Pierce Co., 1945, no. 22149; gravestone image at FindAGrave.com (memorial #54771312); *The Atlanta Constitution*, 15 Feb. 1925, p. 2-M (wedding engagement).

⁶² Porter Family Tree (birth date); *Georgia, U.S., World War I Service Cards, 1917-1919*, Ancestry.com; *The North Wilkesboro Hustler* (North Wilkesboro, N.C.), 27 Nov. 1917, p. 1 (Milton's obituary); gravestone image at FindAGrave.com (memorial #15829302).

⁶³ 1900 U.S. Census, S.C., Marlboro Co., Adamsville, household no. 20, Chas A Porter household (probable birth location); U.S., *World War I Draft Registration Cards, 1917-1918*; *Georgia Death Index, 1933-1998*, Ware County, 1959, no. 7719; gravestone image at FindAGrave.com (memorial #60834504); 1920 U.S. Census, Ga., Ware Co., Waycross, household no. 126, Nancy Thornton household; 1930 U.S. Census, Georgia, Ware Co., Waycross, household no. 180, Laurin M. Porter household; U.S. Social Security Death Index (daughter Martha's birth date); Ga. death cert., Ware Co., 1931, no. 26675 (Mrs. Era Jane Porter); Fla. marriage cert., Duval County, license no. 14109, FHL 4707000, Image 120 (second marriage). Era Jane Thornton married, first, William St. Clair Hilton in 1906. Although the two appear together in the 1920 federal census, Era's marital status is indicated as divorced. William remarried four months after the census.

- vi. NELLE PORTER, b. McColl, S.C., 5 March 1901; d. Ware Co., 9 May 1990, bur. Oakland Cem.; m. before 3 March 1927 (daughter's birth), CHARLES CARSON MERRITT.⁶⁴
- vii. CHARLES HYLTON PORTER, b. Waycross 15 March 1909; d. Duval Co., Fla., Jan. 1949; m. Charlton Co., Ga., 4 Jan. 1931, VOHNCEIL CAROLYN CONNER.⁶⁵

9. **LILLIAN L. PORTER**,⁹⁻¹⁰ (*David*⁸⁻⁹, *Ruth*⁷⁻⁸ *Worth*, *David*⁶⁻⁷, *Daniel*⁵, *Lydia*⁴ *Gorham*, *Shubael*³, *Desire*² *Howland*, *John*¹; *Eunice*⁶ *Hussey* [wife of *Daniel*⁵ *Worth*], *Sarah*⁵ *Gorham*, *Stephen*⁴, *John*³, *Desire*² *Howland*, *John*¹) was born at Asheboro, North Carolina, 18 October 1864. She died at Charlotte, North Carolina, 6 October 1928, and was buried at Old Bethesda Presbyterian Church Cemetery, Aberdeen, North Carolina.⁶⁶

Lillian married at Asheboro 20 February 1889, **REV. ANGUS ROBERTSON SHAW**, son of Peter C. and Rebecca (Kelly) Shaw. He was born at Haywood, North Carolina, 6 December 1859. Rev. Shaw died at Montreat, North Carolina, 6 October 1936, and is buried at Old Bethesda Presbyterian Church Cemetery.⁶⁷

Children of Rev. Angus Robertson and Lillian L. (Porter)⁹⁻¹⁰ Shaw:

- i. **EGBERT WORTH SHAW**¹⁰⁻¹¹, b. Carthage, N.C., 11 Sept. 1890; d. Chicago, Ill., 20 Feb. 1956, bur. Mount Hope Cem., Chicago; m. (1) Lake Co., Indiana, 23 Jan. 1914, **IRENE L. WALLACE**; m. again (2) Chicago 6 March 1919, **IRENE L. WALLACE**; m. (3) Cook Co., Ill., 5 July 1924, **JULIA V. DAVIS**.⁶⁸

⁶⁴ *Waycross Journal Herald* (Waycross, Ga.), 9 May 1990 (Nelle's obituary), image at FindAGrave.com (memorial #84923461); *Georgia Death Index, 1933–1998*, Ware County, 1990, no. 20861; gravestone image at FindAGrave.com (memorial #84923461); *The Palm Beach Post* (West Palm Beach, Fla.), 15 May 1947, p. 11 (spouse's obituary).

⁶⁵ U.S., *World War II Draft Cards Young Men, 1940–1947*, Ancestry.com; U.S., *Social Security Applications and Claims Index, 1936–2007*, Ancestry.com; *Florida Death Index, 1877–1998*, FamilySearch.org, Duval County, vol. 1336, no. 854; Ga. marriage cert., Charlton County, Book D, 1928–1938, p. 76, FHL 7719146, Image 74; *Florida, U.S., Divorce Index, 1927–2001*, Ancestry.com, Dade Co., cert. no. 25125.

⁶⁶ Porter Family Tree (birth date); N.C. death cert., Mecklenburg County, 1928, no. 138, FHL 4163144, Image 3001; *The Charlotte News* (Charlotte, N.C.), 7 Oct. 1928, p. 6 (Lillian's obituary).

⁶⁷ Porter Family Tree (marriage date); Randolph Co., N.C. marriage register, 5:5–6, FHL 4016452, Image 253; Buncombe Co., N.C. death cert., 1936, no. 203, FHL 4163069, Image 705; *The Charlotte News* (Charlotte, N.C.), 7 Oct. 1936, p. 12 (Angus's obituary); *North Carolina, U.S., Wills and Probate Records, 1665–1998*, Ancestry.com, Mecklenburg Co., N.C., will dated 20 April 1927, proved 9 Oct. 1936.

⁶⁸ Porter Family Tree (birth date); U.S., *World War II Draft Registration Cards, 1942*, Ancestry.com; *Illinois, Cook County Deaths, 1871–1998*, FamilySearch.org; *Chicago Daily Tribune*, Sec. 3, p. 2 (Egbert's death notice); Lake Co., Indiana Marriage Records, W23:1, FHL 4839146, Image 425 (first marriage with Irene); *Illinois, Cook County Marriages, 1871–1968*, FamilySearch.org (Egbert's second and third marriages with Irene and Julia).

- ii. DR. LILLIAN ELOISE SHAW, b. Texas 4 April 1893; d. New Milford, Conn., 21 May 1983, bur. Fern Knoll Burial Park, Dallas, Penn.⁶⁹ Dr. Shaw was awarded a Carnegie hero medal after saving a camper from drowning in the Red River in Tenn.⁷⁰
- iii. ANGUS ROBERTSON SHAW JR., b. Henderson Co., N.C., 6 Oct. 1897; d. Charlotte, N.C., 4 Jan. 1994, bur. Hopewell Presbyterian Church Cem., Huntersville, N.C.; m. Charlotte 20 July 1922, CLAUDIA MORRISON.⁷¹

10. **FRANCES WALKER “FANNIE” PORTER**⁹⁻¹⁰, (*David*¹⁸⁻⁹, *Ruth*⁷⁻⁸ *Worth*, *David*⁶⁻⁷, *Daniel*⁵, *Lydia*⁴ *Gorham*, *Shubael*³, *Desire*² *Howland*, *John*¹; *Eunice*⁶ *Hussey* [wife of *Daniel*⁵ *Worth*], *Sarah*⁵ *Gorham*, *Stephen*⁴, *John*³, *Desire*² *Howland*, *John*¹) was born at Asheboro, North Carolina, 31 March 1868. She died at Farmer, North Carolina, 16 November 1943, and was buried at Asheboro City Cemetery, Asheboro.⁷²

Frances married at Asheboro 21 June 1893, **DR. CHARLES CALVIN HUBBARD**, son of William H. and Jane (Saner) Hubbard. He was born at Wilkes County, North Carolina, 14 January 1868. Charles died at Farmer 20 July 1944, and is buried at Asheboro City Cemetery.⁷³

Children of Dr. Charles Calvin and Frances W. (Porter)⁹⁻¹⁰ Hubbard:

- i. HOPE HUBBARD¹⁰⁻¹¹, b. Randolph Co., N.C., 12 May 1894; d. Greensboro, N.C., 10 July 1977, bur. Asheboro City Cemetery.⁷⁴
- ii. DOROTHY HUBBARD, b. Mecklenburg Co., N.C., 25 June 1897; d. Randolph Co., 20 May 1977; m. Randolph Co. 6 April 1921, CALIER ELBERT KEARNS.⁷⁵

⁶⁹ Porter Family Tree (birth date); *North Carolina, U.S., Wills and Probate Records, 1665–1998*, Mecklenburg Co., N.C., will dated 20 April 1927, proved 9 October 1936 (father's will); *Connecticut Death Index, 1949–2012*, Ancestry.com, New Milford, 1983, no. 10498; gravestone image at FindAGrave.com (memorial #63650743).

⁷⁰ *The Charlotte Observer* (Charlotte, N.C.), 14 August 1923, p. 4.

⁷¹ U.S., *World War II Draft Cards Young Men, 1940–1947*; N.C. death cert., Mecklenburg Co., 1994, no. 3223, FHL 4165015, Image 242; *Johnson City Press* (Johnson City, Tenn.), 6 Jan. 1994, p. 2 (Angus's obituary); gravestone image at FindAGrave.com (memorial #115670792); N.C. marriage cert., Mecklenburg County, FHL 7741995, Image 838.

⁷² Porter Family Tree (birth date); N.C. death cert., Randolph Co., 1943, no. 13, FHL 4220279, Image 1988; *Greensboro Daily News* (Greensboro, N.C.), 18 Nov. 1943, p. 5 (Fannie's obituary); gravestone image at FindAGrave.com (memorial #60103847).

⁷³ Porter Family Tree (marriage date), North Carolina marriage register, Randolph Co., N.C. marriage register, 5:61, FHL 4016452, Image 281; *The Chronicle* (Wilkesboro, N.C.), 29 June 1893, p. 4 (marriage); N.C. death cert., Randolph Co., 1944, no. 15467, FHL 4220304, Image 1508; *The News and Observer* (Raleigh, N.C.), 23 July 1944, p. 28 (Charles's obituary); Gravestone image at FindAGrave.com (memorial #60131872).

⁷⁴ Porter Family Tree (name only); U.S., *Quaker Meeting Records, 1681–1935*, N.C., Randolph Co., Marlboro Monthly Meeting, records vol. 3, membership record includes birth location; N.C. death cert., Guilford Co., 1977, no. 25242, FHL 4212545, Image 1312; *Greensboro Daily News* (Greensboro, N.C.), 11 July 1977, p. B8 (Hope's obituary); gravestone image at FindAGrave.com (memorial #106738005).

⁷⁵ U.S., *Quaker Meeting Records, 1681–1935*, N.C., Guilford Co., Greensboro Monthly Meeting, 1:31, membership record includes birth and marriage information.

11. **SAMUEL SIDNEY PORTER**⁹⁻¹⁰, (*David*⁸⁻⁹, *Ruth*⁷⁻⁸ *Worth*, *David*⁶⁻⁷, *Daniel*⁵, *Lydia*⁴ *Gorham*, *Shubael*³, *Desire*² *Howland*, *John*¹; *Eunice*⁶ *Hussey* [wife of *Daniel*⁵ *Worth*], *Sarah*⁵ *Gorham*, *Stephen*⁴, *John*³, *Desire*² *Howland*, *John*¹) was born at Asheboro, North Carolina, 17 April 1871. He died at Reidsville, North Carolina, 11 March 1957, and was buried at Asheboro City Cemetery, Asheboro.⁷⁶

Samuel married at Worthville, North Carolina, 15 April 1906, **IDA JOSSIE POWELL**, daughter of Rufus L. and Sarah Frances (Smith) Powell. She was born at Wake County, North Carolina, about April 1876. Ida died at Reidsville 14 November 1927 and is buried at Asheboro City Cemetery.⁷⁷

Children of Samuel Sidney and Ida Jossie (Powell) Porter⁹⁻¹⁰, b. at Asheboro:

- i. **FRANCES RUTH PORTER**¹⁰⁻¹¹, b. 31 March 1907; d. Reidsville, N.C., 10 April 2001; m. (1) Reidsville, 2 Nov. 1929, **ROBERT RICHARD RATCLIFFE**; m. (2) Martinsburg, W.V., 9 Oct. 1953, **SUMNER RICHARD JONES**.⁷⁸
- ii. **DAVID WORTH PORTER**, b. 10 Apr 1909; d. Asheboro, 20 May 1910, bur. Asheboro City Cemetery.⁷⁹

12. **MATTIE BELLE PORTER**⁹⁻¹⁰, (*David*⁸⁻⁹, *Ruth*⁷⁻⁸ *Worth*, *David*⁶⁻⁷, *Daniel*⁵, *Lydia*⁴ *Gorham*, *Shubael*³, *Desire*² *Howland*, *John*¹; *Eunice*⁶ *Hussey* [wife of *Daniel*⁵ *Worth*], *Sarah*⁵ *Gorham*, *Stephen*⁴, *John*³, *Desire*² *Howland*, *John*¹) was born at Asheboro, North Carolina, 3 April 1875. She died at Asheboro 31 December 1960 and was buried there at Asheboro City Cemetery.⁸⁰

Mattie married at Asheboro 1 April 1903, **DR. WILLIAM JAMES MOORE**, son of William Jackson and Lettie E. (Moore) Moore. William was born at Stokes County, North Carolina, in 1865. He died at Asheboro 3 April 1931 and is buried there at Asheboro City Cemetery.⁸¹

⁷⁶ Porter Family Tree (birth date); U.S., *Social Security Applications and Claims Index, 1936–2007*; N.C. death cert., Rockingham Co., 1957, no. 10599, FHL 4219759, Image 2735.

⁷⁷ Randolph County, N.C. marriage register, 6:217, FHL 4016452, Image 443; *The Randolph Bulletin* (Asheboro, N.C.), 19 April 1906, p. 3 (marriage); 1900 U.S. Census, N.C., Wake Co., Swift Creek, Rufus L. Powell household; *Greensboro Daily News* (Greensboro, N.C.), 17 Nov. 1927, p. 3 (Ida's obituary); N.C. death cert., Wake County, 1964, no. 40051, FHL 4213690, Image 1127, death cert. for Ida's brother Archie identifies the middle name of their mother.

⁷⁸ *North Carolina, U.S., Death Indexes, 1908–2004*, Ancestry.com; *Greensboro News and Record* (Greensboro, N.C.), 12 April 2001 (obituary); North Carolina marriage cert., Rockingham County, 2:437, FHL 102485584, Image 439 (first marriage); *The News and Observer* (Raleigh, N.C.), 10 Nov. 1929, p. 15 (first marriage); Berkeley County, W.V. marriage register, 62:455, FHL 4303322, Image 569 (second marriage).

⁷⁹ *The Randolph Bulletin* (Asheboro, N.C.), 26 May 1010, p. 5 (obituary); gravestone image at FindAGrave.com (memorial #114687828).

⁸⁰ Porter Family Tree (birth date); N.C. death cert., Randolph Co., 1960, no. 37165, FHL 4213068, Image 172; *The High Point Enterprise* (High Point, N.C.), 1 Jan. 1961, p. 11 (Mattie's obituary); gravestone image at FindAGrave.com (memorial #17932252).

⁸¹ *North Carolina, U.S., Marriage Records, 1741–2011*, Ancestry.com, Randolph Co. marriage register, 6:189–190, Image 434; *The Morning Post* (Raleigh, N.C.), 7 April 1903, p. 6 (marriage); N.C. death cert., Randolph Co., 1931, no. 33, FHL 4221118, Image 1058;

Children of Dr. William James and Mattie Belle (Porter)⁹⁻¹⁰ Moore, all b. at Asheboro:

- i. HAROLD PORTER MOORE¹⁰⁻¹¹, b. 11 Jan. 1904; d. Hendersonville, N.C., 21 Sept. 1953, bur. Oakdale Cem., Hendersonville; m. Richmond Co., N.C., 24 June 1929, GERTRUDE GATES.⁸²
- ii. WALLACE JAMES MOORE, b. 19 Feb. 1906; d. Asheboro, 30 Oct. 1968; bur. Oaklawn Cem., Asheboro; m. Asheboro 27 Nov. 1932, LALIA VIOLA LANIER.⁸³
- iii. FRANCES AILEEN MOORE, b. 6 Aug. 1908; d. Burnsville, N.C., 29 Oct. 1997; m. Asheboro 21 Aug. 1929, CLARENCE JOSEPH LOVETT.⁸⁴
- iv. JULIA EVELYN MOORE, b. 3 June 1911; d. Asheboro, North Carolina, 12 Nov. 1980, bur. Asheboro City Cemetery, Asheboro.⁸⁵
- v. WILLIAM COLEMAN MOORE, b. 21 July 1913; d. Brunswick Co., N.C., 16 May 1990, bur. Oaklawn Cemetery, Asheboro; m. Asheboro 10 Sept. 1937, MARTHA MAE FLOYD.⁸⁶
- vi. DAVID LEON MOORE, b. 31 July 1916; d. 23 July 1992, bur. Benton County Memorial Park, Rogers, Ark.; m. by 10 Dec. 1946 (birth of son), AGNES WINIFRED ADAMS.⁸⁷

13. JOSEPH SIDNEY NEWLIN⁹⁻¹⁰, (*Emily*⁸⁻⁹ Porter, *Ruth*⁷⁻⁸ Worth, *David*⁶⁻⁷, *Daniel*⁵, *Lydia*⁴ Gorham, *Shubael*³, *Desire*² Howland, *John*¹; *Eunice*⁶ Hussey [wife of *Daniel*⁵ Worth], *Sarah*⁵ Gorham, *Stephen*⁴, *John*³, *Desire*² Howland, *John*¹) was probably born at Greensboro, North Carolina, 13 May 1857.

gravestone image at FindAGrave.com (memorial #17932273); *Virginia, U.S., Select Marriages, 1785–1940*, Ancestry.com, Halifax, FHL 7578988, Image 441, and FHL 757208, Image 34 (parents' marriage). Parents' marriage record confirms mother's maiden name was also Moore.

⁸² N.C. death cert., Randolph Co., 1963, no. 21751, FHL 4218101, Image 1807; gravestone image at FindAGrave.com (memorial #115136024); *The News and Observer* (Raleigh, N.C.), 25 June 1929, p. 2 (marriage).

⁸³ U.S., *World War II Draft Registration Cards Young Men, 1940–1947*, Ancestry.com (birth); N.C. death cert., Randolph Co., 1968, no. 35639, FHL 4163495, Image 673; gravestone image at FindAGrave.com (memorial #17932468); Randolph Co., N.C. marriage register, 7:291–292, FHL 7611867, Image 114.

⁸⁴ *North Carolina, U.S., Death Indexes, 1908–2004*; *Greensboro News & Record* (Greensboro, North Carolina), 30 Oct. 1997 (Frances's obituary); gravestone image at FindAGrave.com (memorial #63788049); Randolph Co., N.C. marriage register, 7:263–264, FHL 7611867, Image 103; Randolph Co., N.C. birth index, vol. L-R (1913–1966), p. 159, FHL 102484001, Image 263, births of children Mary and Clarajo identifies parents' middle names.

⁸⁵ North Carolina death cert., Randolph Co., 1980, no. 43271, FHL 4211210, Image 2369; gravestone image at FindAGrave.com (memorial #17932241).

⁸⁶ U.S., *World War II Draft Registration Cards Young Men, 1940–1947*; N.C. death cert., Brunswick Co., 1990, no. 19893, FHL 4163926, Image 417; gravestone image at FindAGrave.com (memorial #17932376); Randolph Co., N.C. marriage register, vol. 7, pp. 295–296, FHL 7611867, Image 116; *The Charlotte Observer* (Charlotte, N.C.), 12 Sept. 1937, sect. 2, p. 14 (marriage), identifies bride's middle name.

⁸⁷ North Carolina birth cert., Randolph Co., 393:139, FHL 8403609, Image 1407; gravestone image at FindAGrave.com (memorial #186177870 [David]); *North Carolina, U.S., Birth Indexes, 1800–2000*, Ancestry.com, Guilford Co., 10 Dec. 1946, birth of son William James Moore; gravestone image at FindAGrave.com (memorial #36868004 [Agnes]); U.S., *Social Security Applications and Claims Index, 1936–2007*, gives Agnes's full name.

He died 22 September 1914 and was buried at Varnville Cemetery, Varnville, South Carolina.⁸⁸

Joseph married at Richmond County, Georgia, 17 January 1882, **TALULAH P. “LULA” STARR**, daughter of Willington William and Caroline (Rivers) Starr. She was born near Columbia, South Carolina, 6 August 1866, and died at Ridgeland, South Carolina, 20 July 1943. Talulah is buried at Varnville Cemetery. She married, second, at Ridgeland, South Carolina, 3 November 1920, John J. Stevens. He was born in South Carolina circa 1865 and died at Chatham County, Georgia, 4 March 1945.⁸⁹

Children of Joseph Sidney and Talulah P. (Starr) Newlin⁹⁻¹⁰:

- i. JOSIE ALLEN NEWLIN¹⁰⁻¹¹, b. Augusta, Ga., 25 Aug. 1882; d. Ridgeland, S.C., 8 July 1967, bur. Varnville Cemetery, Varnville; m. by 9 June 1901 (birth of son), MIKE JAMES RIVERS.⁹⁰
- ii. CLARK PORTER NEWLIN, b. Hopkins, S.C., from 9 to 11 Nov. 1884; d. Columbus, Ga., 13 Jan. 1940, bur. Varnville Cemetery, Varnville; m. Tennille, Ga., 19 Jan. 1910, ETTA MAE TANNER.⁹¹
- iii. FREDERICK STARR NEWLIN, b. Pregnalls, S.C., 17 Sept. 1886; d. Fulton Co., Ga., 4 Dec. 1943; m. Atlanta, Ga., 12 Oct. 1910, GENIE CLEO LOFTIS.⁹²

⁸⁸ Porter Family Tree; Newlin and Newlin, *The Newlin Family*, 530; gravestone image at FindAGrave.com (memorial #81396933), tombstone is inscribed with an incorrect birth year of 1859; North Carolina Estate Files, 1663-1979, FHL 7641426, Images 836-838. Estate record for father Jabez Newlin, dated 21 March 1879, refers to Joseph as “now over twenty one.” The estate record, federal census records, and Newlin and Newlin, *The Newlin Family* genealogy support 1857 as Joseph’s correct birth year.

⁸⁹ Porter Family Tree (marriage date); Newlin and Newlin, *The Newlin Family*, 530; Georgia marriage cert., Richmond County, FHL 4848899, Image 184 (Lula’s first marriage); 1870 U.S. Census, S.C., Chester Co., West Chester Township, household no. 34, W. W. Starr household; S.C. death cert., Jasper Co., 1943, no. 8494, gives Lula’s birth year as at Orangeburg, S.C.; *The State* (Columbia, S.C.), 21 July 1943, p. 2 (Lula’s obituary), states she was a native of Barhamville (now part of Columbia) and incorrectly states she will be interred in the Barhamville Cemetery; gravestone image at FindAGrave.com (memorial #81396996); S.C. marriage cert., Jasper Co., FHL 7748741, Images 191-192 (Lula’s second marriage); *Georgia Death Index, 1933-1998*, Chatham County, 1945, no. 4291 (John’s death – index record only). Lula’s obituary states she died at the Ridgeland Hospital in Ridgeland, S.C.; her death cert. gives her death place as Coosawhatchie about 8 miles from Ridgeland.

⁹⁰ Newlin and Newlin, *The Newlin Family*, 537, gives Josie’s birth date as 26 Aug. 1883 and Mike’s middle name as Jordon; S.C. death cert., Jasper Co., 1967, no. 10896; *The News and Courier* (Charleston, South Carolina), 10 July 1967, p. 11 (Josie’s obituary), “native of Varnville”; gravestone image at FindAGrave.com (memorial #141262693). Josie’s death date is inscribed as 7 July 1967 on her gravestone. Her obituary states that she died on “Saturday” which was 8 July.

⁹¹ Newlin and Newlin, *The Newlin Family*, 537, gives Clark’s birth date as 9 Nov. 1884; WWI draft registration card, 12 Sept. 1918, Hampton Co., S.C., gives birth date as 10 Nov. 1884; Georgia death cert., Muscogee Co., 1940, 1908, gives birth date as 11 Nov. 1884; gravestone image at FindAGrave.com (memorial #163893298); “Tennille Social News,” *The Atlanta Journal*, 30 January 1910, p. 39 (marriage).

⁹² Newlin and Newlin, *The Newlin Family*, 537; U.S., *Social Security Applications and Claims Index, 1936-2007*, birth date and location, death date; Ga. death cert., Fulton Co., FHL 4725611, Image 167; *The Atlanta Constitution*, 5 Dec. 1943, p. 9-B (Frederick’s obituary);

- iv. MARY LYNA NEWLIN, b. Pregnalls, S.C., 27 Oct. 1887; d. Varnville 16 Oct. 1973, bur. Varnville Cem., Varnville; m. Charleston, S.C., 17 Jan. 1904, MORTIMER MURDAUGH.⁹³
- v. BERTHA SNYDER NEWLIN, b. S.C., 5 April 1889; d. 5 Nov. 1889.⁹⁴
- vi. LUCION KENNERLY NEWLIN, b. Saint Paul's, S.C., 26 Dec. 1890 or 1891; d. Worth Co., Ga., 8 Oct. 1968, bur. Hillcrest Cem., Sylvester, Ga.; m. (1) West End, Atlanta, 14 May 1916, FANNIE BLANCHE COLEMAN; m. (2) ca. 1924, OSCEOLA "OLA" WEBB.⁹⁵
- vii. JOSEPH SYDNEY NEWLIN, b. Brunson, S.C., 26 or 27 Jan. 1894; d. Savannah, Ga., 9 Feb. 1965, bur. Grahamville Cem., Ridgeland, S.C.; m. (1) Ansley Park, Atlanta, Ga., 31 May 1919, ARIE ARDELL REESE; m. (2) Baker Co., Fla., 20 May 1925, PAULINE VIRGINIA COOLER.⁹⁶

14. **LINA PORTER NEWLIN**,⁹⁻¹⁰ (*Emily*⁸⁻⁹ *Porter*, *Ruth*⁷⁻⁸ *Worth*, *David*⁶⁻⁷, *Daniel*⁵, *Lydia*⁴ *Gorham*, *Shubael*³, *Desire*² *Howland*, *John*¹; *Eunice*⁶ *Hussey* [wife of Daniel⁵ *Worth*], *Sarah*⁵ *Gorham*, *Stephen*⁴, *John*³, *Desire*² *Howland*, *John*¹) was born at Greensboro, North Carolina, 26 January 1859. She died at Columbia, South Carolina, 11 January 1926 and was buried at Hopkins Presbyterian Church Cemetery, Hopkins, South Carolina.⁹⁷

Ga. marriage cert., Fulton Co., FHL 7718614, Image 313, *The Atlanta Constitution*, 13 Oct. 1910, p. 8 (marriage). Frederick's death cert. gives his date of death as 5 Dec. at 9:45 p.m., however, his obituary appeared that day stating he died the day before.

⁹³ Newlin and Newlin, *The Newlin Family*, 537, gives Mary Lyna's birth date as 27 Nov. 1887; *The State* (Columbia, S.C.), 17 Oct. 1973, p. 6-B (Mary's obituary); gravestone image at FindAGrave.com (memorial #19028392); "Mr. and Mrs. Murdaugh Are Honored On 50th Wedding Anniversary," *The State* (Columbia, S.C.), 24 January 1954, p. 9-C.

⁹⁴ Newlin and Newlin, *The Newlin Family*, 537; 1900 U. S. Census, S.C., Hampton Co., Peoples Township, Joseph S. Newlin household; International Genealogical Index (IGI), FamilySearch.org (death).

⁹⁵ Newlin and Newlin, *The Newlin Family*, 537, gives Lucion's name as Lucious; WWI draft registration card, 5 June 1917, Dougherty Co., Ga., Lucion's marital status given as "was married" and that he's received the "first verdict of divorce;" *Georgia, U.S., Death Index, 1919-1998*, Ancestry.com, Worth Co., 1968, no. 31508; gravestone images at FindAGrave.com (memorial #129173359 and #129173375); *The Atlanta Constitution*, 25 April 1915, p. 2 (engagement), gives Lucion's name as Leslie Kennerly Newlin; Ga. marriage cert., Fulton Co., FHL 7718608, Image 168 (first marriage); 1900 U. S. Federal, Ala., Geneva Co., Geneva, 55, Joseph F Webb household; 1910 U. S. Census, Ga., Terrell Co., Dawson, Willie Strother household; 1930 U. S. Census, Ga., Worth Co., Sylvester, Lucion K. Newlin household, "age at first marriage" indicates Lucion had an earlier wife and that he married Ola circa 1924; U.S., Social Security Death Index, SSN: 255-60-5392 (Ola's death). Ola was the daughter of Joseph F and Nettie Jane (Brackin) Webb. She later took the surname of her stepfather William Verner Strother. Although her gravestone gives her birth year as 1900, the 1900 U. S. Census and the U. S. Social Security Death Index show the correct year as 1899.

⁹⁶ Newlin and Newlin, *The Newlin Family*, 537; WWI draft registration card, 5 June 1917, Atlanta, Fulton Co., Ga.; *The State* (Columbia, S.C.), 10 Feb. 1965, p. 7-B (Joseph's obituary); gravestone image at FindAGrave.com (memorial #81398318); Ga. marriage cert., Fulton Co., FHL 7718604, Image 141 (first marriage); *The Atlanta Constitution*, 5 June 1919, p. 11 (first marriage); Fla. marriage cert., Baker Co., FHL 4539914, Image 312 (second marriage); 1940 U. S. Census, S.C., Beaufort Co., Bluffton, J. S. Newlin household (Pauline's middle initial).

⁹⁷ Porter Family Tree; Newlin and Newlin, *The Newlin Family*, 530; 1860 U. S. Census, S.C., Alamance Co., Graham, Jabez Newlin household; S.C. death cert., Richland Co., FHL

Lina married at Morehead Township, Guilford County, North Carolina, 4 October 1888, **JOHN RICHARD BUSH**, son of Green Berry and Nancy Louisa (Myers) Bush. He was born at Hopkins, South Carolina, 4 October 1863. John died 17 November 1901 and is buried at Mill Creek United Methodist Church Cemetery, Columbia, South Carolina.⁹⁸

Children of John Richard and Lina Porter (Newlin)⁹⁻¹⁰ Bush, all prob. b. at Hopkins:

- i. **BERTA SLOAN BUSH**¹⁰⁻¹¹, b. 18 July 1889; d. 7 March 1987, bur. Sumter Cem. Sumter, S.C.; m. Paxville, S.C., 28 Jan. 1910, **JACK CAUGHMAN PATE**.⁹⁹
- ii. **RUTH AMANDA BUSH**, b. 12 Oct. 1891; d. Sumter 23 May 1978, bur. Sumter Cem., Sumter; m. (1) Sumter 5 Jan. 1947, **JOHN L. COTTINGHAM**; m. (2) Columbia 22 Aug. 1954, **ALBERT ELMORE TAYLOR**.¹⁰⁰
- iii. **NANNA BUSH**, b. 25 Aug. 1893; d. Sumter 13 March 1963, bur. Paxville Baptist Church Cem., Paxville; m. Sumter 12 Jan. 1932, **JOHN JAMES HODGE**.¹⁰¹
- iv. **DAVID WORTH BUSH**, b. 27 Sept. 1896; d. Hopkins 28 July 1914, bur. Hopkins Presbyterian Church Cem.¹⁰²

15. **MARY LOU NEWLIN**,⁹⁻¹⁰ (*Emily*⁸⁻⁹ *Porter*, *Ruth*⁷⁻⁸ *Worth*, *David*⁶⁻⁷, *Daniel*⁵, *Lydia*⁴ *Gorham*, *Shubael*³, *Desire*² *Howland*, *John*¹; *Eunice*⁶ *Hussey* [wife of *Daniel*⁵ *Worth*], *Sarah*⁵ *Gorham*, *Stephen*⁴, *John*³, *Desire*² *Howland*,

4177614, Image 1430; *The Columbia Record* (Columbia, S.C.) 13 Jan. 1926, p. 11 (Lina's obituary); gravestone image at FindAGrave.com (memorial #156959144), tombstone is inscribed with an incorrect birth year of 1857; North Carolina Estate Files, 1663–1979, FHL 7641426, Images 836–838. Estate record for father Jabez Newlin, dated 21 March 1879, refers to Lina as “aged twenty years.” The estate record, her death cert., 1860 census, and *The Newlin Family* genealogy support 1859 as Lina's correct birth year.

⁹⁸ Porter Family Tree (marriage date); Newlin and Newlin, *The Newlin Family*, 530; North Carolina County Marriages, 1762–1979, Guilford Co., FHL 7742330, Image 104; *The State* (Columbia, S.C.), 19 Nov. 1901, p. 2 (John's obituary); gravestone image at FindAGrave.com (memorial #22660630). John's birth location is identified in daughter Berta's delayed birth cert.

⁹⁹ Porter Family Tree (birth date); Newlin and Newlin, *The Newlin Family*, 537; S.C. delayed birth cert., FHL 7794731, Image 655; gravestone image at FindAGrave.com (memorial #132052108); “South Carolina Weddings,” *The State* (Columbia, S.C.), 1 Feb. 1910, p. 11, “married in the presence of a few friends at the home of J. W. Mims.”

¹⁰⁰ Porter Family Tree (birth date); Newlin and Newlin, *The Newlin Family*, 537; *U.S. Social Security Applications and Claims Index, 1936–2007*, SSN: 250-80-1194; *The State* (Columbia, S.C.), 24 May 1978, p. 8-C (Ruth's obituary); gravestone image at FindAGrave.com (memorial #123031979); *The State*, 23 Jan. 1947, p. 1-B (first marriage); *The State*, 1 September 1954, p. 13-A (second marriage).

¹⁰¹ Porter Family Tree (birth date); Newlin and Newlin, *The Newlin Family*, 537; S.C. death cert., Sumter County, FHL 7794482, Image 506; *The Sumter Daily Item* (Sumter, S.C.), 13 March 1963, p. 2-A (Nanna's obituary); gravestone image at FindAGrave.com (memorial #76251956); *The State* (Columbia, S.C.), 17 Jan. 1932, p. 26 (marriage).

¹⁰² Newlin and Newlin, *The Newlin Family*, 537; *The State* (Columbia, S.C.), 30 July 1914, p. 11 (David's obituary); gravestone image at FindAGrave.com (memorial #156959065).

*John*¹) was born at Greensboro, North Carolina, 8 March 1861. She died in Sumter County, South Carolina, 19 October 1940 and was buried at Hopkins Presbyterian Church Cemetery, Hopkins, South Carolina.¹⁰³

Mary married 16 December 1891, **GREEN BERRY BUSH JR.**, son of Green Berry and Nancy Louisa (Myers) Bush. He was probably born at Hopkins, South Carolina, 18 January 1866. Green Berry died at Hopkins 12 September 1928 and is buried there at Hopkins Presbyterian Church Cemetery.¹⁰⁴

Children of Green Berry and Mary Lou (Newlin)⁹⁻¹⁰ Bush Jr., all prob. b. at Hopkins:

- i. **JABEZ NEWLIN BUSH**¹⁰⁻¹¹, b. 31 May 1893; d. Hopkins 11 Feb. 1978; m. 9 Sept. 1925, **MAISIE LEGRAND**.¹⁰⁵
- ii. **GARNET WORTH BUSH**, b. 3 March 1895; d. 12 Aug. 1988, bur. Hopkins Presbyterian Church Cemetery; m. Richland Co., S.C., ca. 1917, **JOHN FRANKLIN CRAFT**.¹⁰⁶
- iii. **JESSE GREEN BUSH**, b. 21 Oct. 1896; d. 20 July 1978, bur. Hopkins Presbyterian Church Cem.; m. (1) Columbia, S.C., 25 Dec. 1929, **MARY LOUISE HENSON**; m. (2) after 26 Feb. 1949 (death of first wife), **HELEN LOUISE RODEWOLT**.¹⁰⁷

16. RUTH WORTH PORTER,⁹⁻¹⁰ (*William*⁸⁻⁹, *Ruth*⁷⁻⁸ *Worth*, *David*⁶⁻⁷, *Daniel*⁵, *Lydia*⁴ *Gorham*, *Shubael*³, *Desire*² *Howland*, *John*¹; *Eunice*⁶ *Hussey* [wife of *Daniel*⁵ *Worth*], *Sarah*⁵ *Gorham*, *Stephen*⁴, *John*³, *Desire*² *Howland*, *John*¹) was born at probably Greensboro, North Carolina, 17 January

¹⁰³ Porter Family Tree; Newlin and Newlin, *The Newlin Family*, 530; S.C. death cert., Sumter County, FHL 4181095, Image 680; *The State* (Columbia, S.C.), 20 Oct. 1940, p. 8-A (Mary Lou's obituary); gravestone image at FindAGrave.com (memorial #156923514). Mary Lou's obituary states she died at home in Hopkins, which is in Richland Co. Her death cert. gives her death location as the Cherryville Sanitarium in Sumter Co.

¹⁰⁴ Porter Family Tree (marriage date); Newlin and Newlin, *The Newlin Family*, 530; "Hopkins Farmer Takes Own Life," *The State* (Columbia, S.C.), 13 Sept. 1928, p. 2; S.C. death cert., Richland Co., 1928, no. 16984; gravestone image at FindAGrave.com (memorial #156923468); 1880 U.S. Census, S.C., Richland Co., Lower Township, G. B. Bush household.

¹⁰⁵ Porter Family Tree (birth date); Newlin and Newlin, *The Newlin Family*, 537; U.S., *Social Security Applications and Claims Index*, 1936-2007, SSN: 718-12-9994; *The State* (Columbia, S.C.), 12 Feb. 1978, p. 14-C (Jabez's obituary); "Wed 25 Years," *The State*, 22 Oct. 1950, p. 7-C, celebrated twenty-fifth wedding anniversary on 9 Sept.

¹⁰⁶ Porter Family Tree (birth date); Newlin and Newlin, *The Newlin Family*, 537, gives Garnet's birth date as 4 March 1894; U.S., *Social Security Applications and Claims Index*, 1936-2007, SSN: 247-88-9097; *Richland County, South Carolina, U.S., Marriage Index, 1911-2010* Ancestry.com; *The State* (Columbia, S.C.), 14 Aug. 1988, p. 6-D (Garnet's obituary), gives death date as Saturday [13 Aug.]; gravestone image at FindAGrave.com (memorial #156923656); S.C. death cert., Richland Co., year: 1964, no. 6155 (spouse's full name).

¹⁰⁷ Newlin and Newlin, *The Newlin Family*, 537; *The State* (Columbia, South Carolina), 29 Dec. 1929, p. 18 (first marriage); S.C. death cert., Richland Co., 1949, no. 2135 (death of first wife); U.S., *Social Security Applications and Claims Index*, 1936-2007, SSN: 254-09-4971 (second wife's full name); *The State*, 21 July 1978, p. 8-D (obituary); gravestone image at FindAGrave.com (memorial #156958977).

1878. She died at Gadsden, South Carolina, 21 November 1947 and was buried at St. John's Episcopal Church Congaree Cemetery, Congaree, South Carolina.¹⁰⁸

Ruth married at Greensboro 17 January 1912, **JULIUS HUGUENIN ADAMS**, son of Joel Robert and Mary Caroline "Minnie" (Huguenin) Adams. He was born in South Carolina 15 Aug. 1868. Julius died at Columbia, South Carolina, 1 August 1934 and is buried at St. John's Episcopal Church Congaree Cemetery.¹⁰⁹

Adopted child of Julius Huguenin and Ruth Worth (Porter)⁹⁻¹⁰ Adams:

- i. PORTER HUGUENIN ADAMS, b. Columbia, S.C., 1 Dec. 1918; d. Sumter, S.C., 13 Nov. 2012; m. Greenwood, S.C., 21 June 1941, SARA GILMAN LEWIS.¹¹⁰ Porter does not appear in his parents' household in the 1920 census, and is identified as their adopted son in the 1930 census.¹¹¹

17. **WILLIAM CLARKSON PORTER JR.**⁹⁻¹⁰, (*William*⁸⁻⁹, *Ruth*⁷⁻⁸ *Worth*, *David*⁶⁻⁷, *Daniel*⁵, *Lydia*⁴ *Gorham*, *Shubael*³, *Desire*² *Howland*, *John*¹; *Eunice*⁶ *Hussey* [wife of *Daniel*⁵ *Worth*], *Sarah*⁵ *Gorham*, *Stephen*⁴, *John*³, *Desire*² *Howland*, *John*¹) was born at Greensboro, North Carolina, 1 March 1880. He died at Morehead Township near Greensboro 20 April 1950 and was buried at Green Hill Cemetery, Greensboro.¹¹²

William married at Greensboro 19 April 1905, **CHARLOTTE DAVIS "LOTTIE" HARRISS**, daughter of Benjamin Oscar and Sarah B. "Sallie" (Wiggins) Harriss. She was born at Halifax County, North Carolina, 17 February 1880. Charlotte died at Greensboro 6 December 1947 and is buried there at Green Hill Cemetery.¹¹³

¹⁰⁸ Porter Family Tree (birth date); *The State* (Columbia, S.C.), 22 Nov. 1947, p. 11 (Ruth's obituary); gravestone image at FindAGrave.com (memorial #75617035).

¹⁰⁹ N.C. marriage cert., Guilford Co., FHL 102170481, Image 352; *Greensboro Record* (Greensboro, N.C.), 18 Jan. 1912, p. 6 (marriage); S.C. death cert., Richland Co., 1934, no. 13166; *The Columbia Record* (Columbia, S.C.), 2 Aug. 1934, p. 5 (Julius's obituary); gravestone image at FindAGrave.com (memorial #75617055); gravestone image at FindAGrave.com (memorial #75614831 [father's full name]); gravestone image at FindAGrave.com (memorial #67437019 [mother's full name]).

¹¹⁰ S.C. marriage cert., Greenwood County, 1941, no. 5194; *The State* (Columbia, S.C.), 15 Nov. 2012, p. B2 (obituary); gravestone image at FindAGrave.com (memorial #100710209).

¹¹¹ 1920 U.S. Census, S.C., Richland Co., Bellwood, Julius H. Adams household; 1930 U.S. Census, S.C., Richland Co., Gadsden, Julius H. Adams household.

¹¹² Porter Family Tree (birth date); *U.S., Social Security Applications and Claims Index, 1936–2007*, SSN: 237-05-7203 (birth); N.C. death cert., Guilford County, 1950, cert. no. 8248, gives death location as "Rural – Morehead" – outside the city limits of Greensboro in Morehead Township; gravestone image at FindAGrave.com (memorial #17601489).

¹¹³ N.C. marriage cert., Guilford Co., FHL 102170509, Image 782; 1880 U.S. Census, N.C., Warren Co., Judkins, 117, Benj. O. Harris household; *North Carolina, U.S., Marriage Records, 1741–2011*, Halifax Co., 1 June 1874, Charlotte's parents' marriage; N.C. death cert., Guilford Co., 1947, no. 26973; *Greensboro Record* (Greensboro, N.C.), 8 Dec. 1947, p. B3 (Lottie's obituary); gravestone image at FindAGrave.com (memorial #17601300).

Children of William Clarkson and Charlotte Davis (Harriss) Porter Jr.⁹⁻¹⁰,
b. Greensboro:

- i. ROBERTA SLOAN PORTER¹⁰⁻¹¹, b. 19 Dec. 1906; d. Southport, N.C., 5 March 1998, bur. Northwood Cemetery, Southport, N.C.; m. Greensboro, 5 Oct. 1927, CECIL RAY HON.¹¹⁴
- ii. CHARLOTTE HARRIS PORTER, b. 10 Oct. 1917; d. 18 Sept. 2012, bur. Green Hill Cem., Greensboro; m. Greensboro 7 Oct. 1939, JOHN ERVIN BARNEY.¹¹⁵
- iii. REV. WILLIAM CLARK(SON) PORTER III, b. 29 Nov. 1918; d. Greensboro 20 July 2005, bur. Green Hill Cem., Greensboro; m. Austin, Tex., 26 Nov. 1952, JANE ROGERS WARE.¹¹⁶

18. FRANCIS LOGAN PORTER⁹⁻¹⁰, (*William*⁸⁻⁹, *Ruth*⁷⁻⁸ *Worth*, *David*⁶⁻⁷, *Daniel*⁵, *Lydia*⁴ *Gorham*, *Shubael*³, *Desire*² *Howland*, *John*¹; *Eunice*⁶ *Hussey* [wife of *Daniel*⁵ *Worth*], *Sarah*⁵ *Gorham*, *Stephen*⁴, *John*³, *Desire*² *Howland*, *John*¹) was born at Greensboro, North Carolina, 30 June 1882. He died at High Point, North Carolina, 24 December 1963 and was buried there at Oakwood Memorial Park.¹¹⁷

Francis married at Jersey City, New Jersey, 11 Nov. 1908, **ANNA LOUISE CONITY**, daughter of William James and Louise (Cook) Conity. She was born at Brooklyn, New York, 17 November 1879. Anna died at High Point 15 November 1966 and is buried there at Oakwood Memorial Park.¹¹⁸

Francis was a member of the North Carolina Society of Mayflower Descendants, General No. 20124, State No. 574.¹¹⁹

¹¹⁴ N.C. marriage cert., Guilford Co., FHL 102170520, Image 607; *The News and Observer* (Raleigh, N.C.), 12 Oct. 1927, p. 6 (marriage); *North Carolina, U.S., Death Indexes, 1908–2004* (death); gravestone image at FindAGrave.com (memorial #36393088).

¹¹⁵ N.C. marriage cert., Guilford Co., FHL 102170486, Image 548; *The Charlotte News* (Charlotte, N.C.), p. 9 (marriage); *Greensboro News and Record* (Greensboro, N.C.), 20 Sept. 2012 (Charlotte's obituary); gravestone image at FindAGrave.com (memorial #97441513).

¹¹⁶ Tex. marriage cert., Travis Co., 1952, no. 1819; *The Austin American* (Austin, Tex.), 30 Nov. 1952, p. C-7 (marriage); *North Carolina, U.S., Birth Indexes, 1800–2000* (birth); WWII draft registration card, 16 Oct. 1940, Morehead, Guilford Co., N.C. (birth); U.S., *Social Security Applications and Claims Index, 1936–2007*, SSN: 239-09-5109; *Greensboro News and Record* (Greensboro, N.C.), 29 July 2005 (William's obituary).

¹¹⁷ Porter Family Tree (birth date); WWI draft registration card, 12 Sept. 1918, Queens, N.Y. (birth); N.C. death cert., Guilford Co., 1963, cert. no. 38404; *The High Point Enterprise* (High Point, N.C.), 27 Dec. 1963, p. 5 (obituary); gravestone image at FindAGrave.com (memorial #104172483).

¹¹⁸ *New Jersey, U.S., Marriage Index, 1901–2016*, Ancestry.com, 1908, 22–373; *Jersey Journal* (Jersey City, N.J.), 14 Nov. 1908, p. 6 (marriage); *Greensboro Record* (Greensboro, N.C.), 14 Nov. 1908, p. 7 (marriage); N.C. death cert., Guilford Co., 1966, cert. no. 36502; *Greensboro Daily News* (Greensboro, N.C.), 16 Nov. 1966, p. B5 (Anna's obituary); gravestone image at FindAGrave.com (memorial #203473914). Anna's death cert. gives her birth date and location as 18 Nov. 1879 in N.J., however, her husband Francis's Mayflower Society application (see next note) gives it as 17 Nov. 1879 at Brooklyn, N.Y. Her tombstone gives her birth date as 17 Nov. 1879. All federal census records from 1900 through 1940 support New York as her birth location.

¹¹⁹ *GSMD Membership Applications, 1620–1920*, vol. John Howland, p. 3378.

Child of Francis Logan and Anna Louise (Conity) Porter⁹⁻¹⁰:

- i. LOGAN PORTER¹⁰⁻¹¹, b. Flushing, Queens, N.Y., 22 Aug. 1911; d. High Point, N.C., 8 Sept. 1983, bur. Oakwood Memorial Park, High Point; m. Hillsville, Va., 10 Aug. 1938, SARAH LEE BLACKWELL.¹²⁰

19. **(HORACE) WALDO PORTER**⁹⁻¹⁰, (*William*⁸⁻⁹, *Ruth*⁷⁻⁸ *Worth*, *David*⁶⁻⁷, *Daniel*⁵, *Lydia*⁴ *Gorham*, *Shubael*³, *Desire*² *Howland*, *John*¹; *Eunice*⁶ *Hussey* [wife of *Daniel*⁵ *Worth*], *Sarah*⁵ *Gorham*, *Stephen*⁴, *John*³, *Desire*² *Howland*, *John*¹) was born at Greensboro, North Carolina, 8 November 1885. He died at Greensboro 23 June 1943 and was buried there at Green Hill Cemetery.¹²¹

Horace married **RACHEL JAMES PETTY**, daughter of John W. and Mary J. (Tomlinson) Petty.¹²² She was born at Bush Hill (now Archdale), North Carolina, 21 June 1886. Rachel died at Greensboro 16 January 1987 and is buried there at Green Hill Cemetery.¹²³

Horace was a member of the California Society of Mayflower Descendants, General No. 7322, State No. 914.¹²⁴

Child of Horace Waldo and Rachel J. (Petty) Porter⁹⁻¹⁰:

- i. (HORACE) WALDO PORTER JR.¹⁰⁻¹¹, b. Greensboro, N.C., 16 Dec. 1914; d. 15 Oct. 2003, bur. Green Hill Cemetery; m. Nashville, Tenn., 2 July 1940, OAKLEY WILLIAMS.¹²⁵

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¹²⁰ Va. marriage cert., Carroll Co., 1938, no. 18498; *North Carolina, U.S., Death Indexes, 1908–2004*; gravestone image at FindAGrave.com (memorial #104190125).

¹²¹ Porter Family Tree (birth date); N.C. death cert., Guilford Co., 1943, no. 106; *Greensboro Daily News* (Greensboro, N.C.), 24 June 1943, Sect. 2, p. 1 (Waldo's obituary); gravestone image at FindAGrave.com (memorial #24302075).

¹²² N.C. marriage cert., Guilford County, FHL 102170509, Image 890; N.C. death cert. for mother Mary (Tomlinson) Petty, Guilford County, 1941, no. 306, identifies mother's maiden name.

¹²³ U.S., *Quaker Meeting Records, 1681–1935*, Springfield Monthly Meeting Records, 2:44 (birth); *Greensboro News and Record* (Greensboro, N.C.), 17 Jan. 1987, p. D4 (Rachel's obituary); gravestone image at FindAGrave.com (memorial #57151164).

¹²⁴ *GSMD Membership Applications, 1620–1920*, vol. John Howland, p. 1480.

¹²⁵ N.C. birth cert., Guilford Co., FHL 8396243, Image 1195; *Pittsburgh Tribune-Review*, 16 Oct. 2003 (Waldo's obituary); gravestone image at FindAGrave.com (memorial #57454013); *The Tennessean* (Nashville, Tenn.), 4 July 1940, p. 6 (marriage).