

Genealogy of  
Dr. Upton B. Bowden  
Henrietta Bowden Ray  
“Chup”/Chuck Bowden  
Ethel Bowden Stricklen  
Margaret Ann Bowden Thomas  
Tyson Thomas

From: Mary Larrabee  
1214 Boyd Avenue  
Maryville, TN 37803

## HIS CHILDREN.

## BORN

1. William, March 5, 1798.
2. JOHN (VII), February 22, 1799.
3. Sarah Jennet, February 5, 1802.
4. Grace, October 6, 1804.
5. Hannah Mansfield, February 18, 1807.
6. Mary Kirtland, October 31, 1809.
7. William, January 19, 1812.
8. Benjamin, April 3, 1816.

## SEVENTH GENERATION

John (VII) Douglas.  
(1799-1850)

Father of Rev. Doctor William Kirtland Douglas.

- 1799.. February 22nd, Born in Northford.
- 1825.. April 17th, Married Anne Carter (or Cotter, as it appears in old records of Branford).
- 1828.. October 18th, first child, Emily Elizabeth, was born. She died March 8, 1836.
- 1829.. May 29, second child (first son), WILLIAM KIRTLAND, was born. In this Christian name, the traditional, paternal Christian name, WILLIAM, is given; paternal grandmother's surname, KIRTLAND, used also in naming him. The family custom of one Christian name broken for the first time since 1538, when the Scotch ancestor, Robert Douglas, was born presumably. Born in New Haven.
- 1830.. Renounced claims to Family Estate.....Removed to New Haven in early life.....Employed by Seth Bliss as humble mechanic.....Bliss later became Congregational clergyman and still later Secretary of American Tract Society.....John Douglas made the first Douglas Pump, established general machine works first on Artisan Street, later moved to State Street.
- 1832.. September 21st, third child (second son), Edward

Henry born. He died March 1, 1836, seven days before sister, Emily Elizabeth, died.

1838.. October 14th, fourth child (second daughter) born, Annette Hopkins.

1840.. May 18th, 1840, fifth child (third daughter), Emily Caroline ("Aunt Carrie"), was born.

Doctor Douglas, then, had one brother and three sisters, all of whom except Aunt Carrie, died in early life.

1850.. December 29th, John Douglas died.

## EIGHTH GENERATION

Reverend William Kirtland Douglas, M. A., S. T. D.  
(1829-1898) Dec. 17, 1898

1829.. May 29th, Born in New Haven.

1851.. Graduated from Yale College (B. A.)

1853.. Curious thing, First one in Family to break from Congregationalism since 1640, just as he was the first in this line to be named after a different fashion (two Christian names, instead of one). Decides to enter the ministry of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, May 22nd, Ordained Deacon by Bishop Brownell and became Rector of St. John's, Warehouse Point, Conn.

1854.. Became Master of Arts, receiving his M. A. from Trinity College, Hartford, Conn.

July 23rd, Ordained Priest by Bishop Williams.

1855.. Health fails in Connecticut.....Consults physicians who advise recuperation in the South.

December 25th, became Rector of Grace Church, Waterproof, La., where he was invited by Oscar Kibbe.....Established Grace, also St. Joseph's Church at St. Joseph, La.

1857.. October 20th, Married Miss Sarah Louisa Tucker at Natchez, Miss. She was a wealthy heiress on a great Mississippi Plantation.

1858.. May 2nd, left Grace and St. Joseph's and on May

died of yellow fever in 1878 - buried in old Dry Grove Cemetery near Raymond, La.

- 14th became Rector of Church of the Epiphany, New Iberia, La.
1860. Appointed Chaplain to Bishop Polk.....In his official capacity as Chaplain to Bishop Polk, he accompanied the latter to Sewanee, Tennessee, when and where the University of the South was established.
1861. Left New Iberia on January 1st. Became President of Jefferson College, near Natchez, exercising presidential duties with his other work as Professor of Languages and Parish Priest.....War between the States Declared, College suspended and College Quarters occupied by U. S. Troops.
1865. Superintendent of Public Schools at Natchez, Miss..... Reorganized Schools following the War.....Served one year.....Appointed to Travel through Mississippi for purpose of establishing Schools for the enfranchised blacks.....Three months of this wore him out, and he resigned.....Visited Connecticut after 12 years absence.
1867. At Dry Grove, Miss.. Founded Bishop Green's Training School for Postulants.....Trains and dates for Holy Orders (ministry).....School came to be known as Bishop Green Associate Mission also.
1871. Columbia College honored him with degree of S. T. D., Doctor of Sacred Theology.
1878. Memorable Epidemic of Yellow Fever.....Mrs. Douglas succumbed as one of the victims.
1881. October 22nd, Rector of Calvary Church, New Orleans, to March, 1886; with St. John's, New Orleans, 1885 to March, 1886.
1882. Elected Secretary of Council of Diocese of Louisiana.
1886. Became Rector of Grace Church, St. Francisville, West Feliciana Parish, Louisiana, a famous, old, and historic Country Parish.....Completed the Restoration of the Church Edifice and rebuilt Organ.....This edifice and contents were not spared during the War..... Though the War was then over by more than twenty

- than Trumbell on June 20th.....Marches to New York and Joins Continental Army under General GEORGE WASHINGTON.....Participates in disaster of Long Island, Harlem Heights, White Plains. Philip's Manor, Croton River and New York.....On September 15, Col. Douglas' horse was shot from under him. Clothes perforated with bullets Engagement exposes him, becomes exhausted, loses his voice, rarely slept under a roof to middle of December. Exposed thus to terrors of battle at New Haven now, Col. Douglas purchased 150-acre farm, and moved young wife eight miles from there to place called Northford.
1777. Died from exposure at Northford on May 28th.

## HIS CHILDREN.

## BORN

1. Olive, March 25, 1768.
2. WILLIAM (VI), February 23, 1770.
3. Hannah, April 12, 1772.
4. John, March 24, 1775.

## SIXTH GENERATION

Captain William (VI) Douglas  
(1770-1823)

1770. February 23rd, Born in New Haven.
1778. Sent as Messenger to Groton by Uncle, General Douglas, to Colonel Ledyard.....defied all danger..... was compelled to swim his horse across the Thames, near New London.
1797. January 28th, Married at Northford to Sarah Kirtland, daughter of Constant and Rachel Kirtland. Sarah Kirtland Douglas, grandmother of Doctor William Kirtland Douglas, was born on March 19, 1778, and died on November 28, 1842. Captain Douglas, grandfather of Dr. Douglas, a farmer.
1823. September 14th, Died.

Scarlet Coats Taken from Prize Vessels.  
1766.. April 20th, he died.

## HIS CHILDREN.

## BORN

1. William, April 26, 1729—died young.
2. Olive, November 4, 1731—died young.
3. John, April 12, 1734.
4. Benjamin, August 29, 1739.
5. WILLIAM (V), Januray 27, 1742-3.
6. Sarah, April 18, 1744.
7. Olive, October 14, 1749.

## FIFTH GENERATION

Colonel William (V) Douglas.  
(1742-1777)

Son of Lieut.-Col. John Douglas.

- 1742.. January 27th, Born in Plainfield, Conn.
- 1758.. French and Indian Wars break out.....Became an Ord-  
erly Sergeant under Gen. Israel Putnam.
- 1759.. Participated in Expedition which resulted in sur-  
render of Quebec.....Later engaged in sea-faring busi-  
ness.....Commander of Merchant Ship sailing between  
New Haven and West Indies.
- 1767.. July 5th, Married Hannah Mansfield, daughter of  
Stephen M. Mansfield of New Haven, a sister of Col.  
Jared Mansfield, Head of West Point, later Surveyor-  
General of the United States.....She was born No-  
vember 17, 1747.....She died May 22, 1825.
- 1775.. May 16th, REVOLUTION.....Commissioned as Cap-  
tain under Montgomery, who requests him to take  
command of the flotilla on Lake Champlain.....Accepts  
Position of Commodore.....Renders signal service in  
siege and capture of St. John's, at head of Lake  
Champlain.
- 1776.. Raises his own Regiment which he himself equips  
and funds.....Commissioned as Colonel by Gov. Jona-

years, so impoverished in purse and spirit was this historic church by the Reconstruction Era that it had never been able to complete its architectural restoration until Doctor Douglas became Rector.... Here for twelve years, was Doctor Douglas honored and loved by all, as falls to the lot of few clergymen. Here he preferred to remain, declining everything in the way of inducement for him to leave.... Here he mellowed and ripened; his scholarship became a diocesan treasure; his sweet piety an attraction; here he developed his best powers as an editorial contributor. He became in constant demand on every imaginable occasion, religious, social, fraternal, ecclesiastical.

1896.. Not only was he the most prominent clergyman in Louisiana, next to the Diocesan, acknowledged and always treated as such, but for years he was a Clerical Deputy to the General Conference of his church, taking an active part at all times. In 1896 he decided to attend the Lambert Conference in London, England. He went, the first of this line of the Family, so to do since the days of the original William Douglas, about 250 years before him.....But suddenly he became ill in Liverpool, and his health gave way completely. He was compelled to return to America suffering bodily pains and the keen disappointment of not attending the Lambert Conference. He steadily declined and lingered along until

1898.. December 19th, when he died at St. Francisville, La.  
Buried in yard of Grace Church, St. Francisville, La.

## HIS CHILDREN—THE NINTH AND PRESENT GENERATION.

1. William Taylor Douglas, deceased.
2. George Herbert Douglas, deceased.
3. Elizabeth Newman Douglas. 1862-1953
4. Annie Harriet Douglas, now Mrs. E. D. Moreno.
5. Henrietta Pennington Douglas, now Mrs. U. B. Bowden.

Annie  
Sept. 1863 — died 1941

6. Mary Ethel Douglas, now Mrs. Bernard Gruenstein. *Bernard entered life*

7. Sarah Kirtland Douglas, deceased. *Entered life eternal 1924*

NOTE—The children of No. 1, 2 and 5 constitute the tenth generation. Two children of No. 5 have children of their own, and these make the 11th generation.

Rev. William Taylor Douglas, eldest son of the late and celebrated Rev. W. K. Douglas, D. D., entered into Paradise, March 1st, 1908, aged 49 years. He was a true and loyal priest of the Church, serving with all his might, for twenty-five years; first in his native Diocese of Louisiana, then in Texas, in Kansas, in California, and lastly, as Rector of the Church at Ferndale, Colorado, where, as in every other place, he was highly esteemed and beloved. His death was from pneumonia. His friends and brother clergymen of Louisiana, who knew him well, are witnesses to his faithful ministry while serving in this Diocese, and the same testimony can be borne by those he served in other dioceses.

—From "The Diocese of Louisiana."

He married Mrs. Anna Prophet. Their children are:

1. Sarah, died in infancy.
2. William Kirtland.
3. Margaret.
4. Helen.
5. Gertrude.

George Herbert Douglas, M. D., graduated from Tulane Medical College in 1887. Began practice in Morgan City. Being made mayor, his enthusiasm and understanding freed that seaport from yellow fever and smallpox.

From earliest childhood he was his sisters' tender protector, and was a most loving father. Often he said, "The way to train children is to keep them with you," and he carried it out in each day's life. Putting an extra rod to his bicycle he would take six children out for a "spin," keeping them happy throughout the whole afternoon.

1699.. Moved with Wife and Two Children to a plantation on Quinnebaug. This became later known as Plainfield, Conn.

1705.. Helped to form Church at Plainfield, Conn. Chosen its First Deacon.

1715.. Bought Father's Land for 13 (pounds, English).

1719.. August 10, Died.

His Widow is known to have been living in the year 1729. She was a Sarah Proctor. Dates here are difficult, made so naturally by the historical fact that in 1781 the Town of Plainfield, Conn., was burned by Arnold.

#### HIS CHILDREN.

##### BORN

1. Hannah, September 7, 1696.
2. William, February 19, 1697-8.
3. Samuel, April 13, 1699.
4. Abiah, February 26, 1701-02.
5. JOHN, July 28, 1703.
6. Sarah, December 7, 1704.
7. Jerusha, April 26, 1706.
8. Samuel December 3, 1707.
9. Benajah, September 17, 1710.
10. James, May 20, 1711.
11. Thomas, November 26, 1712.
12. Asa, December 11, 1715.

#### FOURTH GENERATION

Lieut.-Col. John (IV) Douglas.  
(1703-1766)

Father of the Celebrated Col. William Douglas.

1703.. July 28th, Born in Plainfield.

1724-5 January 24th, Married Olive Spaulding.

Was Lieutenant-Colonel of Eighth Connecticut Regiment, under Colonel Jedediah Huntington.... Took part in number of engagements.... His Regiment was the best equipped Regiment of the Colony, wearing

to have his advise therein." Mr. Douglas was chosen one of the first two deacons of the church in 1670.

## SECOND GENERATION

## Deacon William (II) Douglas.

Fifth and last Child, Second (younger) Son, of  
(1645-1724-5)

Deacon William (I) Douglas.

1645..April 1st, born in Boston, Mass.

1646..March 8th, Christened.

1660..With Parents, removed to New London, Conn.

1667..December 18th, married Abiah Hough, who died February 21st, 1715.

1670..With his Wife, Received into New London Church.

1682..Father died, succeeds him in the office of Deacon.

1706..March 29th, lands set off to him in Voluntown, later sold to his son, William III.

1715..First wife died February 21st, marries the second wife in the following July, Widow Mary Bushnell.

1724-5 March 9th, he Died.

## HIS CHILDREN.

## BORN

1. Elizabeth, February 25, 1668-9.

2. Sarah, April 2, 1671.

3. WILLIAM (III), February 19, 1672-3.

4. Abiah, September 18, 1675.

5. Rebecca, June 14, 1678.

6. Ann, May 24, 1680.

7. Richard, July 19, 1682.

8. Samuel, (exact date unknown, but about 1684).

## THIRD GENERATION

## Deacon William (III) Douglas.

(1672-3-1719)

1672-3 February 19, born in New London, Conn.

1698..July 24, Admitted to New London Church.

His childhood came so close to the Civil War that there had been no toys or even playtime, so to give his children toys and help them with their games and plays was his great delight. "His winning personality attracted all alike."

—The True Democrat.

He married Miss Eva T. Carlin in 1887.

## THEIR CHILDREN

1. A son, died in infancy.

2. George Herbert.

3. William Kirtland. — 1891 - 1959 ✓

4. Joseph Edmond.

5. William Taylor.

6. Laura Elizabeth.

7. John Tucker.

8. Richard Mansfield. — The Rev.

George Herbert Douglas married Miss Marguerite Nichol.

## THEIR CHILDREN

1. George Herbert. — killed at Iwo Jima, U.S.A. II

2. Richard Leah, died in infancy.

Joseph Edmond Douglas married Miss Josephine Janvier.

## THEIR CHILDREN

1. Josephine Celeste. m. Bayler Orr Simpson

2. Eva Carlin. — Joseph Edmond Douglas

3. Katharine. — Joseph Edmond Douglas

William Taylor Douglas married Miss Ruth A. Thompson.

## THEIR CHILDREN

1. Ruth, died in her second year

2. William Taylor.

3. Jean Gordon.

4. William Kirtland.

John Tucker Douglas married Miss Regina Janvier. — born Aug 23, 1898 May 27, 1896 died Aug 6, 1971

John Tucker, born Oct 29 - 1927  
Their children  
1. John -

Henrietta Pennington Douglas married Rev. Upton Beal Bowden.

THEIR CHILDREN.

1. Henrietta, married E. Bruff Folse.
2. Upton Beal Bowden.
3. John Douglas Bowden.
4. Mary Ethel Bowden.
5. Margaret Elizabeth Bowden.
6. Paul Delafield Bowden.
7. Kirtland Douglas Bowden.

CUTOFF BEAD  
JOE CECIL "RED" RAY M.  
MILDRED REEVES M.  
ROBERT HOWELL STRICKLIN

FIRST CHILD

Henrietta Bowden married Edward Bruff Folse.

THEIR CHILDREN.

1. Douglas-Bowden Folse.
2. Dorothy Bruff Folse.
3. Emily Margaret Folse.
4. Henrietta Winifred Folse.
5. Edward Bruff Folse.
6. Ethel Elizabeth Folse.

SECOND CHILD

Upton Beal Bowden married Della Wilder Ramsey.

THEIR CHILDREN.

1. Della Henrietta Bowden. *1st generation? no children*
2. Charles Upton Bowden. *Margaret Ann*
3. Ethel Virginia Bowden. *Their children - Robert "Bob", Nancy & Mary*

THIRD CHILD

John Douglas Bowden married Bula Benbow Edgar.

THEIR CHILD.

1. Henrietta Lucille Bowden.

FOURTH CHILD

Mary Ethel Bowden.

FIFTH CHILD

Margaret Elizabeth Bowden married James J. Bowden.

standing Mr. Buckleys intention to goe into the Bay have sent James Morgan and Mr. Douglas to desire him to stay untill seacond day com seavent-night wich day the Towne have agreed to ask againe Mr. Fitch to speake with him in order to know Mr. Buckleys myne fullye whether he will continue with us or no to preach the gossell." The application was unsuccessful, and Oct. 9, another town meeting was held, in which "Mr. Douglas by a full voate none manifesting themselves to the contrary was chosen to goe to Mr. Wilson and Mr. Eliot to desire there advise and help for the procurinage of a minister." Nov. 24.... "a town meeting concerning what Mr. Douglas hath done about a Minister" was held, and they decided to extend a call to the Rev. Simon Brastreet, of Boston. In consideration of his journey to Boston for a minister, twenty acres were added by the town to Mr. Douglas' farm.

"Mr. Bulkeley now stood in debt to the town for his year's salary, paid in advance; and Jan. 12, 1666, "Mr. Douglas and goodman Hough are voted by ye Towne to demand the 80 (pounds, English) of Mr. Buckley which he stands ingaged to pay to we towne." It was not, however, till after repeated dunning, and Mr. Bulkeley had mortgaged his house, that he paid back his salary. Mr. Bradstreet arrived early in the year, and the town purchased of Mr. Douglas, a house and lot for the new minister, until they should build a parsonage. June 1 it was "Voted by the town that the house now agreed upon to be built for the ministry and also the house and land bought of Mr. Douglas with ye land which hath hitherto been reserved for the ministry both to us and our succeeding generations never to be sold or alieanted to any vse forever." To this day (1879) the land is occupied by the old first burial ground of New London, and there repose the ashes of the good old deacon. He was always active in the church economy. There appears upon the records under date of Aug. 15, 1667, while he was town clerk:..... "Myselfe chosen to hold the box for contributions and this to be propounded to Mr. Bradstreet

with Dan'l Witherell to be "Commissarys" to Army at Hartford.

1682.. July 26th, Dea. Douglas Died aged 72.

1685.. Mrs. William Douglas died in N. Y.

From Diary of his Minister, Rev Simon Bradstreet:  
"1682, July 26, Mr. William Douglas one of Ye Deacons of this church dyed in Ye 72 year of his age. He was an able Christian & this poor chh will mvch want him."

## HIS CHILDREN.

## BORN.

1. Ann, August 26, 1641. *(born in England 1637)*
2. Robert, Scotland, 1639.
3. Elizabeth, August 26, 1641.
4. Sarah, April 8, 1643.
5. William (II), April 1, 1645.

## DEA. WILLIAM DOUGLAS' OFFICIAL POSITIONS.

Townsmen—1663, 1666, 1667.

Recorder & Moderator—1667, 1668.

Sealer & Packer—1673, 1674.

Deputy to General Court—1672.

A BIT OF COLONIAL CONGREGATIONAL HISTORY IN WHICH  
DEA. WILLIAM DOUGLAS FIGURED.

—From Douglas Genealogy, 1879. pp.57-69.

"In 1665, the church at New London began to feel uneasiness in regard to their minister's views. In 1661, the Rev. Gershom (so written by himself) had succeeded the Rev. Richard Blinman as preacher. When he came, he entered into a covenant, as Miss Caulkins says, "to become minister of the town on a salary of £80 for three years, and afterwards more, if the people found themselves able to give it." Feb. 25, 1664-5, their uneasiness had increased, but the town voted that "they were willing to leave Mr. Burkley to the libertye of his conscience without compelling or enforcing him to anything in the execution of his place and office contrarye to his light according to the laws of the commonwealth." June 10, 1665,..... "The Towne under-

## THEIR CHILD.

1. Pennington Bowden, died in infancy.

## SIXTH CHILD

Paul Delasfield Bowden married Margaret P. Spilman.

## SEVENTH CHILD

Kirtland Douglas Bowden married Vera Beatrice Roberts.

## THEIR CHILD.

1. Eva Douglas Bowden.

*Eva Douglas Bowden married  
Frances Potts  
Their Child  
1. Linda Ruth* ✓

## DEA. WILLIAM DOUGLAS

(1610-1682)

Son of Robert Douglas of Scotland, born not far  
from A. D. 1588.

A. D.

1610..Born in Scotland, August 9th.

1636..Married to Ann Mattle.

1637..Becomes Father of first Child, Ann Douglas.

1640..Emigrated to New England.....Probably landed at  
Cape Ann..First settled at Gloucester, Mass... Aug-  
ust 31st is named and allowed on Boston records "to  
be a townesman, he behaving himself as becometh  
a Christian man."

1641..Removes to Ipswich, where on February 28th, he  
was entitled to a share of the public land.

1645..Returns to Boston.....Follows cooper's trade.

1646..May 1st, buys dwelling house.

1647..March 12th, buys another piece of property.

1648..June 20th, sells out.

1659..December, buys Robert Isbell's House on New Street  
New London, Connecticut.

1660..Removes to New London, with Wife and Three Chil-  
dren, Robert, Sarah and William.....Gets 60 Acres  
of ground "three miles or more west of town plot  
with brook running through it," which piece of  
ground was inherited by William, second son, and  
held in the family for more than 200 years.

1662-3 With Cary Latham, appointed appraiser of property  
for New London.

1665..New London Church becomes uneasy about views  
of their Minister, Rev. Gershom Burkeley, and calls  
Rev. Simon Bradstreet as Burkeley's successor....  
For his Journey to Boston on this occasion, New  
London gave him 20 acres. (See Page 2 of this Ab-  
stract, for fuller particulars), Buys 100 acres more

1670..Chosen one of First Two Deacons of New London  
Church.

1675..King Phillip's War Breaks out.

1676..May 19th, General Council appoints Dea. Douglas

*Genealogical Abstract of  
The Douglas Family*

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With Particular Reference to Direct Line  
From Deacon William Douglas (1610-1682)  
To Rev. William Kirtland Douglas, M. A.,  
S. T. D. (1829-1898).

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Compiled for the Children of the Late Doctor  
W. K. Douglas, by Bernard Gruenstein.

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