

## First Generation

1. Property: Purchased land on the Cowpasture at a run which bears his name, Highland County, VA. in 1776.<sup>1-2</sup> Location: in Lower Cowpasture, Benson's Run area in 1776.<sup>3</sup> Individual Note: on 13 Apr 1778 in Augusta County, VA signer of a petition to establish a new county.<sup>4</sup> Property: owns 6 horses and 13 cattle in Augusta County, VA in 1787.<sup>5</sup> **George BENSON**<sup>5-9</sup> died before Jul 1808; .<sup>10</sup>

**Margaret**<sup>11-12</sup> died about 1820; in Bath County, VA.<sup>13</sup> Estate: on 16 May 1820 in Bath County, VA inventory: 4 cattle, 4 horses, 16 geese, 3 slaves, and numerous other items .<sup>12</sup>

George BENSON and Margaret had the following children:

- +2 i. **Mary BENSON**, born abt 1785, Virginia; married Henry SWADLEY Jr., abt 1800.
- +3 ii. **Hambleton BENSON**.

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2. **Mary BENSON**<sup>6,14-18</sup> (George-1) was born about 1785 in Virginia.<sup>19</sup> Education: cannot read and write in 1850.<sup>20</sup>

Mary BENSON and Henry SWADLEY Jr. were married about 1800.<sup>6-7</sup> **Henry SWADLEY Jr.**<sup>15,21-26</sup>, son of Henry SWADLEY and Mary PENCE, was born on 10 Oct 1781.<sup>26-27</sup> Property: Pendleton County land patent for 50 acres on South Fork in 1820.<sup>28</sup> He signed a will on 24 Mar 1845 in Pendleton County, VA.<sup>29</sup> He died on 27 Mar 1845; at the age of 63.<sup>26-27</sup> Location: in Pendleton County, WV .<sup>6</sup> Henry was buried at Propst Cemetery in Brandywine, Pendleton County, WV.<sup>26</sup>

Henry SWADLEY and Mary BENSON had the following children:

- 4 i. Location: in Pocahontas County, VA .<sup>27</sup> **Mary SWADLEY**<sup>27</sup> was born (date unknown).
- 5 ii. **Infant SWADLEY**<sup>30</sup> was born (date unknown).
- 6 iii. **Infant SWADLEY**<sup>30</sup> was born (date unknown).
- +7 iv. **Jacob SWADLEY**, married Susan FOLKS, 1 Dec 1842, Pendleton County, VA.
- +8 v. **Eliza SWADLEY**, born 1813, Virginia; married William PROPST.
- +9 vi. **Nicholas SWADLEY**, married Jane SHARP, 1837, Pocahontas County, VA.
- +10 vii. **John SWADLEY**, born 9 Jan 1803, Pendleton County, VA; married Sarah STONE; married Mary BOLTON; married Susannah HEVENER.
- +11 viii. **Sarah "Sally" SWADLEY**, born 1805, Pendleton County, VA; married Jacob EYE.
- +12 ix. **Naomi SWADLEY**, born 6 Dec 1807, Pendleton County, VA; married Henry HEVENER, 5 Nov 1829, Pendleton County, VA; died 9 Jun 1883, Crabbottom area, Highland County, VA.
- +13 x. **Hettie SWADLEY**, born 1810, Pendleton County, VA; married RIGGLEMAN.
- +14 xi. **Peter SWADLEY**, born 1823, Virginia; married Mahulda REXRODE.
- +15 xii. **Mark SWADLEY**, born Jan 1825, Virginia; married Malinda PROPST; died 11 Feb 1910.
- +16 xiii. **Lavina SWADLEY**, born 21 Aug 1826, Virginia; married Daniel PROPST; died 4 Oct 1912.

3. **Hambleton BENSON**<sup>31</sup> (George-1) was born (date unknown).

Hambleton BENSON had the following children:

- +17 i. **George BENSON.**
- 18 ii. **Andrew BENSON**<sup>6</sup> was born (date unknown).
- 19 iii. **William BENSON**<sup>6</sup> was born (date unknown).
- +20 iv. **Robert BENSON.**
- 21 v. **Howard BENSON**<sup>6</sup> was born (date unknown).
- +22 vi. **Mary BENSON**, born 1782, Virginia; married Isaac SKIDMORE, Feb 1803, Bath County, VA;  
married Larkin SAMUELS; died bef 1860.
- +23 vii. **Eleanor BENSON**, married James MCCUTCHEON, Nov 1815, Bath County, VA.
- +24 viii. **Hamilton BENSON**, born 1786, Bath County, VA.

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1. **Morton, Oren F.**, *Morton's History of Highland County, VA*, 86.
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4. *Annals of Bath County*, **Oren Morton**, 106.
5. Augusta County, Virginia 1787 Personal Property Tax List, 128.
6. **Morton, Oren F.**, *Morton's History of Highland County, VA*, 264.
7. **Morton, Oren F.**, *History of Pendleton County*, 333.
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13. Bath County, Virginia Willbook , Book 2, page 311. estate inventory 16 May 1820.
14. *New History of Highland County, VA* (1983), 228. refers to Morton's History entry.
15. **Morton, Oren F.**, *History of Pendleton County*, 303, 333.
16. Pendleton County, VA Probate Records, Willbook 4, pages 244-245. wife Mary.
17. **Pendleton County Historical Society**; Cemetery Records of Pendleton County, WV, 292. says Mary Swadley.
18. Pendleton County, Virginia Census, 1850, 52A. listed in son Mark's household.
19. Pendleton County, Virginia Census, 1850, 52A. 60 years.
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22. *New History of Highland County, VA*, 228.
23. Pendleton County, VA Probate Records, Willbook 4, pages 244-245.
24. Highland County Death Records, 1883.
25. **Wooddell, James E. & Rita H**; Pocahontas County Marriage Bonds and Minister's Returns, 21.
26. **Pendleton County Historical Society**; Cemetery Records of Pendleton County, WV, 292.
27. **Morton, Oren F.**, *History of Pendleton County*, 303.
28. *Pendleton County Land Patent from Sims' Index*, 5:.
29. Pendleton County, VA Probate Records, Willbook 4, pages 244-245. proved 3 April 1845.
30. **Morton, Oren F.**, *History of Pendleton County*, 303. died young.
31. Bath County, Virginia Willbook , Book 1, page 429. Hambleton Benson, son of George, deceased.