

Bible Records: Bernard Markham and Mary Harris Markham

Through my years of research I have come across several different presentations of the Bible Records of Bernard Markham and Mary Harris Markham. Two are given below. I have not had the opportunity to see copies of the actual pages.

The Bible likely came into the hands of Bernard Markham and his wife Mary Harris Markham around the time of their marriage in 1767, Chesterfield county Virginia. The information related to the births and some deaths of their children was probably recorded by them. The Bible then passed to their son George Markham, and is sometimes referred to as the George Markham Bible. He apparently recorded the deaths of his parents, but these are not shown in the Bible Record presentations I have come across. There is no indication that he recorded the statistics of his own family in the Bible. By 1897 the Bible was in the hands of Mary Jane Markham Bryant, daughter of George Markham and his second wife, Fanny Garland. Mary Jane did not have children, and the present location of the Bible is unknown.

Pam Garrett, Dec 2014.

Entries from the George Markham Bible appear in the "Markham Family of Virginia", an article written by Mrs Flournoy "Liddie" Rivers, and published in the Virginia Magazine of History in 1897. She is probably the author of the parenthetical notes. Liddie Rivers gives this information related to the Bible:

These entries are in an old Bible in possession of Mrs. George Lyng Bryant, of Leesburg, Florida (who was Mary Jane Markham, a granddaughter of Colonel Bernard Markham). She testifies that the last entry, as well as the notice in next number of the deaths of Bernard and Mary Markham, are in the penmanship of George Markham, her father.

Bible Records as shown in River's "Markham Family of Virginia":

Martha Markham, daughter of Bernard and Mary Markham, was born the 28th day of February, 1768. She married Mr. Efford Bently, 1782, died at Wintington, where she was interred, An. Do. 1791.

John Markham, son of Bernard and Mary Markham, was born the 20th day of January, 1770. Married Lucy Champe Fleming, Thursday, January 9, 1794.

Catharine Markham, second daughter of Bernard Markham and Mary, his wife, was born the 30th day of December, 1771. She died February, 1776, and was buried at Mr. William Harris, in Manikin Town.

Bernard Markham, son of Bernard and Mary Markham, was born the 2^d day of October, 1774. He died August, 1777; is buried in the orchard where "I (Colonel Bernard Markham) now live,

at the Ware." It was near "Osborne's," two or three miles from Richmond. (This "plantacon at ye Ware" must have come to the Markhams with Mary Harris, for it figures in the wills of several of her ancestors).

Mary Markham, third daughter of Bernard and Mary Markham, was born the 31st day of December, 1776. Was married to Linneus Bolling, son of Robert Bolling, of Buckingham, December 17, 1793.

Elizabeth Markham, fourth daughter of Bernard and Mary Markham, was born May the 25th, 1779; died March, 1790.

William Harris Markham, third son of Bernard and Mary Markham, was born 23d of February, 1781; died March, 1790.

George Markham, fourth son of Bernard and Mary Markham, was born February 6, 1783. Married Elizabeth Evans (daughter of Dr. George Evans and Mary, his wife), May 9, 1805.

Judith V. Markham, sixth daughter of Bernard and Mary Markham, was born July 9, 1787. Married William Cooke of Kentucky.

Sarah Markham, fifth daughter of Bernard and Mary Markham, was born February, 1785; died July, 1786.

Bible Records of Bernard Markham and Mary Harris as shown in "Virginia Bible Records" by Austin 1987.

George Markham Bible owned by Mrs George Lyng Bryant of Leesburg Florida

Col Bernard Markham, eldest son of John/Catharine Markham, 1737 to 13 Jul 1802 Chesterfield co, Va

Births of the Children of Bernard and Mary Markham:

Martha Markham, 28 Feb 1768, m. Efford Bently 1782, d. Winnington 1791, where she was interred

John Markham, 20 Jan 1770, m. Lucy Champe Fleming 9 Jan 1794

Catharine Markham, 30 Dec 1771 to Feb 1776, buried at Mr William Harris' in Manikin Town

Bernard Markham, 2 Oct 1774 to Aug 1777, buried in orchard where I (Bernard Markham) now live, at the Ware.

Mary Markham, 31 Dec 1776, m. Linneus Bolling, son of Robert Bolling of Buckingham, 17 Dec 1793

Elizabeth Markham, 25 May 1779 to Mar 1790

William Harris Markham, 23 Feb 1781 to Mar 1790

George Markham, 6 Feb 1783, m. Elizabeth Evans, dau of Dr George Evans and Mary, his wife

Judith V Markham, 9 Jul 1787, m. William Cooke, of Ky

Sarah Markham, Feb 1785 to Jul 1786

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