

## Edward Tatum and Martha [probably Bynum] Timeline

- 1726 **Prince George Co., VA. Edward Tatum** was born to **Nathaniel Tatum & Elizabeth** (perhaps **Hawthorn**). Nathaniel died before 09 Nov 1750 in Edgecombe Co., NC.
- 09 Nov 1750 **Edgecombe Co., NC. Nathaniel Tatum** made his will. Bequeaths to **sons Edward, Nathaniel, Peter, Jesse, and daughter Rebaker**, my plantation and negro wench Judye, to be equally divided among them after my wife **Elizabeth Tatum** is deceased. Wit; **James Cane, Rebekah Cane, Ellener (X) Weaver**. Recorded Feb. 1750.<sup>1</sup>
- 1750s **Edgecombe Co., NC. Edward Tatum** was a soldier in **Captain Robert Warren's** Company. Other names listed included **Lt. Stephen Weaver, Elias Fort**.<sup>2</sup>
- abt 1756 **Probably Edgecombe Co., NC. Edward Tatum & Martha** unknown were married. Note: The family of Nathaniel Tatum & Elizabeth Hawthorn was close to the family of William Bynum, whose will Nathaniel Tatum witnessed (proved May 1746). Edward Tatum and Peter Tatum witnessed two deeds of William Bynum, Jr. Edward's sister Rebecca is hypothesized to have married James Bynum, according to Robert W. Baird, "Bob's Genealogy Filing Cabinet," [www.genfiles.com](http://www.genfiles.com). Note that the names of William Bynum's sons appear to be Luke, James, John, and William. Edward Tatum & Martha had a son Luke.
- abt 1757 **Edgecombe Co., NC. Daughter Elizabeth Tatum** was born.
- 31 Jan 1757 **Edgecombe Co., NC. James Bynum** (county not identified) sold to **John Bynum**, of Edgecombe County, for 80 pounds current money of Va. 300 acres "where **Edward Tatum** now lives" on the upper side of Fishing Creek.<sup>3</sup> "Adjacent **John Parrish, Thomas Drake**, and the creek, as was the land he bought from **William Bynum** four years later," per Baird's web page. Wit.: **James Cane, John Thomas, Wright Nichol森**. Reg. Edge. Co. Feb. Ct. 1757. **J. Montfort, C. Ct.**
- 1758 Halifax Co., NC, was formed from Edgecombe Co., NC.
- abt 1758 **Edgecombe Co., NC. Son John Tatum** was born.
- 20 Aug 1760 **Halifax Co., NC. Edward Tatom** bought for 25 lbs. 200 acres of land on north side of Fishing Creek, , joining **Brock, Weaver**, from **Robert Butler** of Halifax Co., which had been patented to said Robert Butler 20 Apr 1745Wit: **Stephen Weaver, Mary "x" Powell, Martha Mackdesl-?**

<sup>1</sup> 9 November 1750 Edgecombe County, February Court. The will was exhibited into Court by Elizabeth Tatum Widow and Executrix and proved by the Oaths of James Cane, Rebeka? Cane, and Elinor Wever two of the subscribing evidences thereto and at the same time the said Executrix took her Oath by Law proscribed which was ordered to be certified. Test: Benjn Wynnes, Clerk. (on side of will) Nathl Tatum's will is \_\_ 21 May 1751. Vol. XXXI, p. 28.

<sup>2</sup> Original muster rolls in NC Archives, reproduced in Murtie June Clark, *Colonial Soldiers of the South 1732-1774*, Baltimore, MD: Genealogical Publishing Co., 1983, reprinted 1999, p. 666.

<sup>3</sup> Edgecombe County Deed Book 6, p. 149. The date in the deed is 21 June, but it was proved in February court making it likely that the date was mistranscribed when the clerk copied the deed. The calendar change to the Gregorian calendar had occurred five years earlier. Information from Robert W. Baird, "Bob's Genealogy Filing Cabinet," [www.genfiles.com](http://www.genfiles.com). Part of his web page focuses on Bynum genealogy. (Accessed 23 May 2015.)

Sept Court 1760.<sup>4</sup> *Note the name of Stephan Weaver appears once again.* He also had received 50 acres from his father's estate (Nathaniel Tatum, died in 1750 in Edgecombe Co., NC.

abt 1760 **Halifax Co., NC.** Son **Jesse Tatum** was born.

Jan 1763 **Halifax Co., NC.** **Stephen Weaver**, planter of Halifax County deeded to **James Stanton** of Northampton County, 10 lbs, 100 acres joining **Edward Tatum, Jeremy \_\_\_, Malpass, James Stanton.** Witnesses: **Silvanus Stanton, John Wells.** January Court 1763.<sup>5</sup>

21 Jan 1764 **Halifax Co., NC.** **James Bynum** of Edgecombe Co., NC, to **Edward Tatum** of Halifax Co., NC, £20, 50 acres adjoining **Weaver.** Wit: **Charles Daniel, Edmund Daniel.** Recd Apr 1764.<sup>6</sup>

21 Jan 1764 **Halifax County, North Carolina:** **Peter Tatum** of Halifax County deeded to **Edward Tatum** of same, 21 January 1764, 35 pounds money, 50 acres joining **Weaver.** Witnesses: **Charles Daniel, Edmund Daniel.** April Court 1764.<sup>7</sup>

18 Aug 1764 **Halifax Co., NC.** **Hysom (Isom) Weaver** of Halifax Co. to **Stephen Weaver** of same. 24 pounds Virginia money. 200 acres which was part of land acquired by **Robert Butler** 20 Apr 1745 and which he sold to **Isom Weaver**, on north side of Fishing Creek, joining **Edward Tatum, Jarrel Swamp.** [signed] **Isom Weaver** . ... Wit: **Charles Daniel, Peter Tatum, Edwd. Tatum.** Apr Ct 1765. CC: J. Montfort.<sup>8</sup>

04 Oct 1764 **Halifax Co., NC.** **Edward Tatum**, planter of Halifax County deeded to **Malachi Murden** merchant of same, for 25 lbs, 400 acres on north side of Fishing Creek joining **Weaver.** Witnesses: **Hysun Weaver, Peter Tatum.** October Court 1764.<sup>9</sup> Comment from Jim Murphy, [www.planetmurphy.org](http://www.planetmurphy.org): Edward Tatum had 4 deed purchases totaling 400 acres. In October 1764, he sold all 400 acres. Halifax deeds after about 1771 have not been reviewed – from PlanetMurphy.org.

05 Oct 1765 **Halifax Co., NC.** **William Bynum [Jr.] of Orange County**, “son and heir of **William Bynum late of Edgecombe County,**” sold to **Cullen Edwards** 290 acres in Halifax part of “a patent to my father **Wm. Bynum**” for 595 acres dated 01 Feb 1726. Wit.: **John Thomas, Edward Tatum, Peter Tatum.**<sup>10</sup>

08 Oct 1765 **Edgecombe Co., NC.** **William Bynum [Jr.] of Orange County**, sold 300 acres on Fishing Creek ; 100 acres to **James Bynum** of Edgecombe Co. and 200 acres to **Nanncy Bynum** of Northampton Co., describing the whole as the land on which James Bynum then lived. Wit.:

<sup>4</sup> Deeds of Halifax County, North Carolina 1758-1771, abstracted by Dr. Stephan E. Bradley, Jr. 1989. (DB 7/106).

<sup>5</sup> Deeds of Halifax County, North Carolina, abstracted by Dr. Stephan E. Bradley (DB 8, p. 231)

<sup>6</sup> Halifax County, NC, Deed Book 8, p. 434.

<sup>7</sup> Halifax County, NC, Deed Book 9, p.79. Deeds of Halifax County, North Carolina 1758-1771, abstracted by Dr. Stephan E. Bradley, Jr. 1989.

<sup>8</sup> Deeds of Halifax County, North Carolina, abstracted by Dr. Stephan E. Bradley (DB 9, pg 211).

<sup>9</sup> Halifax County, NC, Deed Book 9, p.98. Deeds of Halifax County, North Carolina 1758-1771, abstracted by Dr. Stephan E. Bradley, Jr. 1989.

<sup>10</sup> Halifax County, North Carolina, Deed Book 9, p. 304 (indexed as p. 309). Information from Robert W. Baird, “Bob’s Genealogy Filing Cabinet,” [www.genfiles.com](http://www.genfiles.com). Part of his web page focuses on Bynum genealogy. (Accessed 23 May 2015.)

**John Thomas, Edward Tatum, Peter Tatum.**<sup>11</sup>

- abt 1768 **Halifax Co., NC.** Daughter **Martha Tatum** was born.<sup>12</sup>
- abt 1770 **Halifax Co., NC.** Son **Edward Tatum, Jr.,** was born.
- 19 Sep 1772 **Chatham Co., NC.** Muster Roll of **Captain Isaiah Hogan's** militia company. Among the 110 names on this roll were **William and John Bynum, John and William Hatley, Isaac, Christopher, and Gideon Kirksey, Edward Tatum, John Bird,** and several other neighbors of the **Murphrees.** **William Blyth and James Bynum** were on the roll of Elisha Cain's company.<sup>13</sup>
- abt 1775 **Halifax Co., NC.** Son **Luke Tatum** was born.
- c. 1777 **Chatham Co., NC.** "Any twelve of the following persons be a Jury to lay out a road the best way from James Williams's Ferry into the road leading from the Island ford to Hillsborough Viz. **Charles Morgan, Edward Edwards, James Rigsby, John Herndon, Luke Bynum, William Griffen, Wm. Snipes, Joseph Rosser, Oliver Brewer, Henry Brewer, Isaiah Hogan, James Kirby, Rich'd Parker, Christopher Kirksey, Isaac Kirksy, John Hatley, and Edward Tatum.**"<sup>14</sup>
- Nov 1777 **Chatham Co., NC.** All the hands from Terrells Creek to the Redfield Creek on the south side of Haw River, except **John Herdon, Edward Tatum, William Hatley and William Griffne,** work on the road leading from **James William's** ferry to the county line toward Hillsborough, and that **Oliver Brewer** be overseer from the ferry to the **widow Powwells** and that **James Smith** be appointed overseer of the upper part of the said road.<sup>15</sup>
- abt 1778 **Halifax Co., NC.** Daughter **Julia Tatum** was born.
- 1775/1784 **Halifax Co. or Chatham Co., NC.** **Perhaps an unknown daughter** was born.<sup>16</sup>

<sup>11</sup> Edgecombe County, North Carolina, Deed Book 1, p. 217 and p. 358, respectively. Information from Robert W. Baird, "Bob's Genealogy Filing Cabinet," [www.genfiles.com](http://www.genfiles.com). Part of his web page focuses on Bynum genealogy. (Accessed 23 May 2015.)

<sup>12</sup> The following court case establishes an approximate date of birth for Martha of about 1768.

24 Mar 1818 Pendleton District, SC. Filed in Anderson Co., SC, Estate Papers, Lachago? No. 12, Bundle No. 13, Box 2678, microfilm c1406 in the South Carolina Department of Archives and History, Columbia, SC. "they the deponents is well acquainted with John Tatum," the brother of Martha Tatum (aged approximately 50) who sought guardianship over her affairs and estate because she had been a "lunatic" for at least 15 years. The case runs many pages and extends at least until 2 Oct 1829, after John Tatum had died. Signed by: Russel Cannon {his mark} [his son Carter married Sarah, John Tatum's daughter], Samuel McCollum, Joshua Barton, John Stanly, David McCollum, Benjamin Day, John Cannon [possibly Carter Cannon's brother], Elijah Cannon [Carter's brother]. Before Joseph Carleton, J.P. Note: Carter Cannon married John's daughter, Sarah, and John Cannon married John's daughter, Parthena.

<sup>13</sup> Original muster rolls in NC Archives, reproduced in Murtie June Clark, *Colonial Soldiers of the South 1732-1774*, Baltimore, MD: Genealogical Publishing Co., 1983, reprinted 1999, p. 818.

<sup>14</sup> Chatham County, North Carolina, Court of Pleas and Quarter Session 1774-1779, pp. 95-96.

<sup>15</sup> Chatham County, North Carolina, Court of Pleas and Quarter Session 1774-1779, p. 119.

<sup>16</sup> 1 female 16-25 in the Edward Tatum household in 1800 has not been identified. Perhaps she was a daughter who died young or has not yet been identified.

- 19 Dec 1783 **Chatham Co., NC. William Hatley and Mary his wife** deeded to **Edward Tatum**, for 50 pounds, 300 acres on the north side of Haw River on the Mill Creek, joins Tatum's own line on the old ridge Path...and **Robert Poe**. Signed: William Hatley, Mary "x" Hatley. Witnesses; **Christopher Kirksey, William Ramsey**. February Court 1787.<sup>17</sup>
- 13 May 1784 **Chatham Co., NC. Elias Hendrick** of Chatham Co., N.C., eldest son and heir of **Jesse Hendrick**, late of the sd Co., dec'd, sells to **Bomfield(Bromfield?) Ridley** of Granville, Co., N.C., for 100 pds, specie, 50 acres on the N. side of Haw River, joining **John Herndon, Luke Bynum and Edward Tatum**, it now being the plantation and land whereon **John Brown** lives. Signed: **Elias Hendrick** Wit: **William Brown. Molly Hendrick** wife of the within mentioned **Elias Hendrick** being privately examined, relinquished her right of dower.<sup>18</sup>
- 11 Aug 1784 **Chatham Co., NC. John Wilson** Appointed Overseer of the road leading out of the Seven Island road near **John Petty's** to the head of Cobb's Road to Wake County line and the following hands work on the Same to Wit, **William Wilson, Stephen Wilson, Blumer Wilson, John Christian, Henry Hillery, Nathan Jones, John Prince, Thomas Adams, Frances Syper (Cypert), Burgess Clark, Arhabold Cain, Robert Edwards, John Pitts, Shadrick Weaver, Thomas Syper, David Br \_\_\_ (water spot), \_\_\_ Weaver, Arthor Wood, James Bullen, \_\_\_ s Tuder, William \_\_\_ sdl \_\_\_ hman Hales, Vencet Carter, Bleeker Caudle, David Jones, Joseph Griffin, Denis Browder, William Cain, Joseph Stewart, Richard Warmack, John Booker, Benjamin Poe, Jesse Tatum, John Wood, William Dillard, Younger Burt, John Burt, James Booker, John Osley, \_\_\_ ich Burt, Josiah Burden, and John Lambert**.<sup>19</sup>
- 01 Oct 1787 **Chatham Co., NC. Edward Tatum, Senr.** deeded to **Ezekiar Lasater (Hezekiah Lasiter)**, 100 pds, 150 acres...on the old road.... Signed: Edward Tatum (seal). Witnesses: **William Richardson, James Kirby**. Nov. Term 1787.<sup>20</sup>
- 27 Jan 1789 **Chatham Co., NC. Edward Tatum, Senr** of Chatham County deeded to **Hezekiah Lasiter** of same...150 pds, 150 acres of a parcel or tract of land in county...to the old road...to a branch and then down said branch.. to a reed creek & to John Tatum line. Signed: Edward Tatum (seal). Witnesses: **Hugh Edwards, Edward Edwards**. February court 1792.<sup>21</sup>
- 12 Dec 1789 **Chatham Co., NC. Eliaz (Elias) Hendrick and Sary Hendrick hiz mother, and Edward Tatom, Senr** of Chatham County, NC deeded to **William Ramsey** of same, 150 pds, in Chatham County, north side of Haw River...thence down the River to **Joseph Walker** line...to **Bemfer Ridell's** corner at branch side...branch side to Ridell's corner...to **John Hendons** corner...to Mille(?) Creek thence down the Creek.... 225 acres... Eliaz Hendrick and Sary hiz mother and Edward Tatom, Sen. Signed: Eliaz Hendrick (seal), Sarah Hendrick (seal), Edward Tatum (seal). Witnesses: **Robert Sellerz, John Griffin, John Tatum**. May court 1791.<sup>22</sup> ("z" appears

<sup>17</sup> Deeds of Halifax County, North Carolina 1758-1771, abstracted by Dr. Stephan E. Bradley, Jr. 1989. Deed Book C, p. 172.

<sup>18</sup> Chatham Co., North Carolina Deed Book C - 1783-1786, p. 324.

<sup>19</sup> Chatham County, North Carolina, Deeds, p. 83A. From: <http://poegen.net/NC/PoeNorthCarolina.htm>.

<sup>20</sup> Deeds of Halifax County, North Carolina 1758-1771, abstracted by Dr. Stephan E. Bradley, Jr. 1989. Deed Book D, p. 365.

<sup>21</sup> Deeds of Halifax County, North Carolina 1758-1771, abstracted by Dr. Stephan E. Bradley, Jr. 1989. Deed Book E, p. 298

<sup>22</sup> Deeds of Halifax County, North Carolina 1758-1771, abstracted by Dr. Stephan E. Bradley, Jr. 1989. Deed Book E, p. 156.

to mean “s” in this and similar documents)

- 1790 **Hillsborough District, Chatham Co., NC. Edmond Tatom**, Federal Census, printed, p. 86. (see last page: 2 w males 16/older, 1 w m under 16, 2 w f, 4 slaves, series M637, roll 7, p. 218.)
- 02 May 1798 **Pendleton District, SC. Joseph Duncan** of Pendleton Co. SC to **Edward Tatum**, \$260, 130 acres on Wolf Creek, part of grant to **Joseph Duncan** by patent 6 Feb. 1786, ... mouth of a branch .... Wit. **Jesse Tatum, Wm. Marchbanks**. Rec. 25 Aug. 1798 by wit.<sup>23</sup>
- 02 Jun 1798 **Chatham Co., NC. Edward Tatum** of South Carolina deeded to **Joseph Hackney/Harkney** of Chatham County...225 lbs, a tract of land whereon **John Tattom** formerly lived on containing 250 acres lying in Chatham County on the north side of Haw River on Mill Creek. ...dividing line between **Robt Poe** and said Tattom...line between **Edward Tattom and his son John Tattom**...including the plantation where John Tattom lived. Signed: Edward Tatum (seal). Witnesses: **Titus Atwater, John Tatum**. August Court 1799.<sup>24</sup>
- 15 May 1799 **Chatham Co., NC. Edward Tatum** of South Carolina deeded to **Lord Sellers** of Chatham County, North Carolina...for 225 pds, track of land where the said Edward Tatum formerly lived...325 acres...lying in Chatham Count...on the east side of Haw River on the waters of Pokebury Creek...along **Lasitors** line...along **Joseph Hackney Senr** line.... Signed: Edward Tatum (seal). Witnesses: **Peter Alevater? [Atwater?] John Tatum**. August term 1799.<sup>25</sup>
- 1800 **Pendleton District, SC.** Federal Census, p. 113. **Edward Tatam (Tatum)** 1 w m 45/older, 1 f under 10, 2 w f 16-25, 1 w f 45/older, 6 slaves. Series M32, roll 50, p. 113. (see last page)
- 03 Jun 1804 **Pendleton District, SC. Edward Tatum** bought 200 acres from **Ferdinand Hopkins** on Wolf Creek and 12 Mile River 200 acres.
- 05 Jun 1804 **Pendleton District, SC. I Edward Tatum** of Pendleton District do make this my last will and testament. I will my just debts be paid. I will to my son **Luke Tatum** three fourths of the land whereon I now live. I will to my daughter **Martha Tatum** the other fourth of the said land marked out by a line including my dwelling house, also two negro women **Jude** and **Annasa**, also all my stock of all kinds, with household and kitchen furniture. I will to my loving wife **Martha Tatum**. I will to my daughter **Elizabeth Hendrick** one negro name **Hannah**. I leave out the names of my other children, having already given them their portion. I do appoint my well beloved friend **William Curl** and **Solomon Murphree** my executors. Witnesses: **Hamilton Reid, Charles Durham, Joseph Stephens**.<sup>26</sup>
- 22 Jun 1804 **Pendleton District, SC. Ferdinand Hopkins** for \$118 sold to **Titus Atwater** 237 acres, part of a larger tract....granted Hopkins 2 Jan 1792 on Wolf Creek of 12 Mile River bd by **Mr. Cannon** and **Charles Rice**, being where Atwater now lives. Date 22 \_\_ 1804. Wit: **Jeremiah Ellis and Edward (X) Tatum**. **Edward Tatum** made oath to **James Wardlaw** 22 June 1804. Rec'd 1

<sup>23</sup> Anderson County, SC deeds, Book C, p. 427.

<sup>24</sup> Deeds of Halifax County, North Carolina 1758-1771, abstracted by Dr. Stephan E. Bradley, Jr. 1989. Deed Book K, p. 448.

<sup>25</sup> Deeds of Halifax County, North Carolina 1758-1771, abstracted by Dr. Stephan E. Bradley, Jr. 1989. Deed Book K, p. 407.

<sup>26</sup> Pack 725 Probate Judge's Office, Anderson County, South Carolina.

June 1805.<sup>27</sup>

18 May 1808 **Pendleton District, SC. Edward Tatum to Nathaniel Duncan**, \$300, 197-1/2 acres, part of land Tatum purchased of **Ferdinand Hopkins**, waters of Wolf Creek waters of 12 mile River, **Charles Durham's** line. Wit. **Daniel Duncan, Jesse Tatum**.<sup>28</sup>

28 Dec 1810 **Pendleton District, SC.** The will of **Edward Tatum** was proved. He is buried at Bethlehem Methodist Church Cemetery, Pickens County, South Carolina, with no headstone.<sup>29</sup>

1810 **Pendleton District, SC.** Federal Census, p. 211. **Patsey Tatum**. 1 f 45/older (1765 or earlier), no other members of household, no slaves (Patsey is a nickname for Martha.) Roll 61, p. 211.

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<sup>27</sup> Pendleton Conveyance Book H, p. 158. (Pendleton's deed books were inherited by Anderson County, and are designated as Anderson County deed books.)

<sup>28</sup> Pendleton District, South Carolina, Book I, p. 424.

<sup>29</sup> Information is from: <http://www.genealogy.com/ftm/w/a/l/Kevin-Howard-Walters/WEBSITE-0001/UHP-1420.html>

<p>1790 <b>Chatham Co., NC</b> p. 218 <b>Edmond Tatom</b></p>	<p>1800 <b>Pendleton District, SC</b> p. 113 <b>Edward Tatom</b> p. 113 Jesse Tatum p. 114 John Tatom</p>	<p>1810 <b>Pendleton District, SC</b> p. 211 <b>Patsey Tatum*</b></p>	<p>1820</p>	<p>1830</p>
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Edward Sr., born before 1756  
John already in 1790 census. (b. c1758)  
Jesse already in 1790 census. (b. c1760)  
Edward Jr., abt. 1774/earlier  
Luke, b. 1775.

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<p>1 f any age Wife</p>	<p>1 f 45/older 1755/earlier</p>	<p>1 f 45/older 1765/earlier</p>	<p>Martha, perhaps Bynum wife</p>
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<p>1 f any age Daughter</p>	<p>1 f 16-25 1775-1784 1 f 16-25 1775-1784 1 f 0-9 1791-1800</p>	<p>4 slaves 6 slaves</p>
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Elizabeth, married before 1804\*\* b. c1757  
Martha 1768, per the 1818 court case  
Julia 1778  
Unidentified daughter?  
Perhaps a grandchild?

\* Edward died before December 1810.

\*\* Did she marry Hillary Hendricks? Many family trees give Elizabeth Whitehead as his wife, but she appears to have been Elizabeth Tatum.