Nathaniel Tatum, Jr., & unknown wife of Chatham Co. & Halifax Co., NC, & Hancock Co., GA

c. 1736 Prince George Co., VA. Nathaniel Tatum (Jr.) was born to Nathaniel & Elizabeth (probably Hawthorn).

09 Nov 1750 Edgecombe Co., NC. Nathaniel Tatum (Sr.) made his will. Bequeths to sons Edward, Nathaniel [Jr.], Peter, Jesse, and daughter Rebaker, my plantation and negro wench Judye, to be equally devided among them after my wife Elizabeth Tatum is deceased. Wit; James Cane, Rebekah Cane, Ellener (X) Weaver. Recorded Feb. 1750.¹

Abt 1757 Perhaps Edgecombe Co. or Halifax Co., NC. Nathaniel Tatum, Jr., married an unknown wife.

1758 Halifax Co., NC, was formed from Edgecombe Co., NC.

Abt 1758 Probably Halifax Co., NC. Daughter, Rebecca, was born to Nathaniel Tatum, Jr., & wife.²

Abt 1761 Halifax Co., NC. Daughter, Sarah, was born to Nathaniel Tatum, Jr., & wife.

Abt 1766 Halifax Co., NC. Daughter, Mary “Polly,” was born to Nathaniel Tatum, Jr., & wife.³

27 Feb 1767 Halifax Co., NC. Son, Peter, was born to Nathaniel Tatum, Jr., & wife.

By 1768 Halifax Co., NC. Son, Seth, was born to Nathaniel Tatum, Jr., & wife.

Abt 1771 Halifax Co., NC. Son, William, was born to Nathaniel Tatum, Jr., & wife.

Abt 1772 Halifax Co., NC. Son, Nathaniel III, was born to Nathaniel Tatum, Jr., & wife.

16 Nov 1771 Bute Co., NC. Nath’l Tatum attended a meeting at William Walkers Meeting house on Fishing Creek, representing Kehukey Church [Baptist], along with John Meglamore, William Burgess, Thos. Oveby, & James Bell.⁴ Nathaniel Tatum of Sussex.Cor’d Va. was named on p. 18 with John Meglamore, Past’r, Nathaniel Holt, & Richard Marks.

20 Jun 1772 Halifax Co., VA. St. Andrews Parish: Procession’s included Nathaniel Tatum between Stiths Road, Kettle Stick road, the Meherrin Church road, Jackson’s road and the Court House.

12 Sep 1772 Halifax Co., NC. Kehukey Meeting House was shown as being in Halifax Co. rather than in Bute, which was formed in 1764 and discontinued by 1779.⁵ At an Association held at Kehukey

¹ Vol. XXXI, p. 28
² Children’s birth dates are only guesses. There may have been other, unknown, children.
³ Birth year estimated for Polly from 1840 Federal Census of Talbot Co., Georgia, Roll 51, p. 212: George Manifee (Menefee): 1 male and 1 female aged 70-79 (born 1761-1770) and 28 slaves.
⁴ “Minutes Kehukey Association, Nov. 6th, 1769 TO 1777,” James Sprunt Historical Monograph No. 5, 1904, p. 15 (Chapel Hill, University of North Carolina, p. 279 in Microsoft digitized PDF.
⁵ “Minutes Kehukey Association, Nov. 6th, 1769 TO 1777,” James Sprunt Historical Monograph No. 5, 1904, p. 18 (Chapel Hill, University of North Carolina, p. 283 in Microsoft digitized PDF.

Abt 1775  Halifax Co., NC. Son, James, was born to Nathaniel Tatum, Jr., & wife.

07 Apr 1781  Halifax Co., NC. Nath’l Tatem [Jr.] was a Serg’t Major in Capt. Turner Bynum’s Company of Militia. He was a member of the Kehukee Baptist Church. Turner Bynum was born in Greensville Co., VA, and died in 1831 in Chatham Co., NC.

1786  Greene Co., GA, was formed from Washington Co., GA.


26 Jun 1790  Greene Co., GA. Richard Simmons of Wilkes County deeded to Nathaniel Tatum (Sr. or Jr. not mentioned but probably is Senior) of Greene County, Georgia for the sum of 60 pounds a tract of land containing 287 ½ acres, bounded by the Academy land and vacant lands on all other sides, lying and being in Greene County. Signed by Richard Symmonds. Witnesses: Noel Helms and John McClain. Entered 14 Dec 1795.

18 Jun 1791  Greene Co., GA. Henry Houston of Greene County deeded to Nathaniel Tatum of same place for the sum of 100 pounds a tract of land lying and being in the new Greene County, formerly Washington County, adjoining land surveyed for Col. Williamson and vacant land dated 17 May 1784, and surveyed and certified 15 July 1784. Wit: H. Grayab III, J.P., Seth Tatum. Keziah Houston, wife of Henry Houston of Greene County resigns and relinquishes all the right of dower. Dated: 18 June 1791.

1793  Hancock County was created in 1793 from Greene and Washington Counties, Georgia.

1793  Greene Co., GA. tax (Frances Lawson’s District): Seth Tatum with 287.5 acres adjoining lands of Nathan Clay and on the waters of the Shoulderbone Creek (in today’s Hancock County, west of Sparta.) Next to him on the 1793 tax record is Peter Dent with no details. From www.planetmurphy.org.

1794  Hancock Co., GA. (Shorter District): Nathaniel Tatum x 2, Seth Tatum, William Tatum

5 Jan 1795  Hancock Co., GA. Will of Richard Moon, Senior: I bequeath to my beloved wife Susann Moon my plantation I now live on, 125 acres of land in Guilford County, NC to be at her own; Appointed wife Susannah Moon Extr of will. Dated 15 January 1795. Signed: Richard Moon: Witnesses: Thomas Hill, Seth Tatum. From www.planetmurphy.org.

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9 Greene County, Georgia, Deed Book A, pp. 143-144. From www.planetmurphy.org.
10 Greene County, Georgia, Deed Book 1794-1802, p. 133. From www.planetmurphy.org.
21 Feb 1795 Hancock Co., GA. Inventory and appraisement of Estate of Richard Moon, Senior, deceased, as appraised by us the subscribers this 21 February 1795. Signed: Nathl. Tatum, Thomas Hall or Hills, Seth Tatum.¹¹

1796 Hancock Co., GA. (James Lewis District): Seth Tatam, Nathaniel Tatum, and Nat. Tatum

22 Jun 1796 Hancock Co., GA. Nathaniel Tatum, Senior deeded to Seth Tatum, both of Hancock County, Georgia, for $100, a parcel of land estimated 287 ½ acres lying in Hancock County on the waters Of Shoulderbone Creek, bounded by the Academy Lands…vacant lands, …boundaries as appears by a plot thereof annexed to a grant to Edward Weathers, signed by the honorable Samuel Elbert, esquire, Governor of the said State on 13 December 1785. (Signed: Nathl Tatum, Senr. Witness: Robt. Simms, JC. Entered 30 Sep 1796. Shoulderbone Creek can be found 10 miles west-north-west of Sparta, Georgia. ¹²

03 Nov 1796 Hancock Co., GA. Nathaniel Tatum, Senr., farmer of Hancock County, Georgia deeded to Nathaniel Tatum, Junior and William Tatum, farmers of same place for 100 pounds…parcel of land situate in Hancock County and bounded southwestern by Jackson’s land, southeasterly by land surveyed for Col. Williamson, the other sides by vacant land, by warrant from the honorable Edward Telfare, Esq., President of the Executive Council, dated 17 May 1784, surveyed and certified the 15th July 1784 by M. Williamson, Deputy Surveyor for Washington and further confirmed by grant having date of 24 January 1791 and signed “Edward Telfare,” tested by J. Meriweather, Clerk of the Executive Council, Registered in the Secretary’s Office, Book U, U, u, folio 255, the 26th January 1791 by John Milton, Secretary, containing 287 ½ acres more or less as more fully appears in reference to the aforesaid records. Signed Nath. Tatum (seal), Wit. John Barksdale, JP, Samuel Barksdale. Rec. 25 Jun 1798.¹³

04 Nov 1796 Hancock Co., GA. Know all men …that I, Nathaniel Tatam, Senior of Hancock County in consideration of the sum of $1000 in hand paid me…sell to Nathaniel Tatam, Junior and William Tatam, of same county…four negroes named Leo, Ben, Henry, and Jersey. (Signed) Nathl Tatam (seal). Witnesses: __ Sherman, Jas. Tatam. Registered 3 August 1811. ¹⁴

02 Mar 1799 Greene Co., GA. (Very faded, many words unreadable, condensed): Rebekah Peeples and Seth Tatam principals, and Henry Brewer as surety …to …William Phillips Register of Probates for Greene County…(make bond) of $6000 with $3000 payment…bound Rebekah Peeples, __ Peeples???, and Seth Tatam administrators and administration of goods, chattels, credits of Burwell Peeples, deceased. Said Rebeka Peeples, David Peeples, and Seth Tatam or other persons…do make a just true account of their actions and doings which will be registered in Superior Court or registered in Probate of this county. Signed: Rebekah Peeples (seal), David Peeples (seal), Seth Tatam (seal). Henry Brewer (seal). Witnessed by William Phillips for E. Park, Clerk.¹⁵

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¹² Hancock County, Georgia, Deed Book A, pp. 245-246. From www.planetmurphy.org.
¹³ Hancock County, Georgia, Deed Book C, pp. 52-53. From www.planetmurphy.org.
13 Dec 1799  Greene Co., GA.  Indenture from James Culbreath of Richmond County, Georgia, deeded to Nathaniel Tatum of the aforesaid county, for $1050 a tract of land containing 497 acres lying in the aforesaid county on the waters of Richland Creek originally granted to James Culbreath on 18 September 1784 for 575 acres, boundaries joining lands of James McNeal and Joseph White. Signed: Jas. Culbreath (seal).  Witnesses: Geo Reed, Jun, John “x” Caldwell.  Recorded 27 January 1799, Registered 27 November 1801.  

1800  Hancock Co., GA.  Grand Jury included Seth Tatum.  

1801  Greene Co., GA.  P. Tatum (Wagnon District) and Peter Tatam (Tuggle District)  

03 Mar 1803  Greene Co., GA.  Indenture from Nathl Tatum of Hancock County deeded to James Tatum of aforesaid County for $1050, a tract of land 497 acres with appurtenances being the county aforesaid on the waters of Richland Creek originally granted to James Colberth on the 575 acres, bounded lands of James McNeil and Joseph White. Signed: Nathl Tatum (seal).  Witnesses: Jesse “x” Coleman, Isaac McClendon, J.P.  Registered 23 Nov 1803.  “Confusion exists on the term “aforesaid county.” However, Richland Creek is in today’s Greene County and not Richmond nor Hancock Counties.” From www.planetmurphy.org.  


1805  Greene Co., GA.  (Rea District) tax: James Tatam.  Peter Tatum (Cunningham District) and Peter Tatum (Cabanis District).  From www.planetmurphy.org.  

06 May 1808  Hancock Co., GA.  William Tatam and James Tatam are administrators for Seth Tatam, deceased.  Registered in court on this date was an inventory and appraism of the estate of Seth Tatam - deceased by John Moreland, Wallace Reed, and William Hudson.  Estate included 15 slaves, 5 horses, 32 hogs, and 11 cattle with appraised value of $1581.25.  Notes of debt owed to the estate include Nathaniel Tatum, Junior $29.75 and Peter Dent $30.25.  

NOTE: John Moreland was the administrator of Seth Tatam estate where he named his minor legatee Rees Tatam.  

15 Jun 1808  Hancock Co., GA.  Estate sale of Seth Tatam, deceased, included goods to many people including William Tatam for $94.81, James Tatam for $98.37 ½, Peter Dent for $54.23, Peter Tatum for $170.12 ½.  From www.planetmurphy.org.  

19 Sep 1808  Hancock Co., GA.  Will of Nathaniel Tatam [III], son of Nathaniel Tatam, Jr., & unknown wife, was signed.  He mentions “my affectionate father Nathaniel Tatam, sister ___Easley,  

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16 Greene County, Georgia, Deed Book 2, Part 1, page 527/531 – page has two numbers. From www.planetmurphy.org.
18 Greene County, Georgia, Deed Book 3, p. 691. From www.planetmurphy.org.
nephew Reese Tatum, sister Sarah Dent, surviving heirs of sister Polly Manifee also [brothers] William Tatum, James Tatum and Peter Tatum. Beloved wife Agnes P. Tatum and William Tatum the sole executor and executor. Wit.: Henry Miller William Miller Elizabeth (her X mark) Miller.\footnote{\textbf{NOTE: This will shows that Nathaniel Tatum, Jr., was still alive in 1808.}} Inventory of his son’s estate was taken 26 Oct 1808. This also shows that he was not the same man as Nathaniel Tatum, who married Phoebe Fort and died in Rockingham Co., NC, by 1796.

26 Oct 1808 Hancock Co., GA. Date of Probate not known, but inventory was 26 October 1808 which included 6 horses, 16 cattle, 41 hogs, 1 cotton gin, 24 slaves who are named. Notes owed to estate included James Tatum (77.00), Nancy Tatum (86.55), William Tatum (96.50), Peter Dent (35). From \url{www.planetmurphy.org}. WHO IS NANCY TATUM?

08 Dec 1808 Hancock Co., GA. Second estate sale for Seth Tatum, deceased, included James Tatum, Peter Dent, William Tatum. Negroes hired 24 December 1810 for the year 1811 included Rian to James Tatum, Mary and Hannah + her 2 children, Easter and child Rhody, John to Peter Dent, 2 blankets to William Tatum. From \url{www.planetmurphy.org}.

1809 Hancock Co., GA. James Tatum is appointed guardian of Martha Watkins and William Womack (sister of Sarah Womack), orphan of Abraham Womack. Sarah Womack married James Tatum, date unknown. From \url{www.planetmurphy.org}.

06 Jun 1809 Hancock Co., GA. Indenture from Jesse Gregg, Esquire, Sheriff of Hancock County to Peter Tatum of same county, $400 for 280.5 acres, land being in Hancock County on the waters of Shoulderbone adjacent land of Isaac Jackson. (Signed) Jesse Gregg, Sheriff. Witnesses: H. Greene, Jno Budley, William Barnard, J.P. Registered 4 October 1809.\footnote{Hancock County, Georgia, Book F, p. 1.}

1810 William Tatum of the County of Hancock attended for the purpose of obtaining a grant for lot No. 79 in the 11th District of Wilkinson County drawn by his brother Seth Tatum of Hudson’s district Hancock County, and stated that his said brother had departed this life since the drawing of the last Land Lottery….\footnote{Hancock County, Georgia, Deed Book I, p. 125. From \url{www.planetmurphy.org}.}

14 Feb 1810 Hancock Co., GA. Marriage/marriage bond of Peter Tatum to Nancy Sledge (county record). Cited by \url{www.planetmurphy.org}.

08 Nov 1811 Hancock Co., GA. Estate Sale of Nathaniel Tatum (III) included goods to many people including William Tatum, Peter Tatum, Peter Dent. The slave Molly was sold to James Tatum, and slaves Rachel, Patience, Jack, Daniel, Orzace to Peter Tatum. From \url{www.planetmurphy.org}.

\footnote{\textbf{20} Hancock County, Georgia, Book F, p. 1.}
\footnote{\textbf{21} Hancock County, Georgia, Deed Book I, p. 125. From \url{www.planetmurphy.org}.}
\footnote{\textbf{22} Georgia Land Lottery Papers 1805 - 1914 by Robert Scott Davis, Silas Emmett Lucus, Georgia, Surveyor General Dept. 1979, page 292. From \url{www.planetmurphy.org}. NOTE: William Tatum was born ~1776 and died 12 July 1845 in Chambers County, Alabama, at the age of 68 years, and is buried at the Menefee Cemetery, Gold Hill, (now) Lee County, Alabama.\textsuperscript{^2} He married Agnes B. Dent (~1776 to 14 February 1838 in Chambers County at the age of 62, and is buried at same cemetery). Agnes B. (Dent) previously married 1st to his brother Nathaniel Tatum “II.”}
1812 Hancock Co., GA. tax: Peter Tatum, 9 slaves, no land description.

1812 Hancock Co., GA. Captain Harris. Nathaniel Tatum, Peter Tatum, Seth Tatum, Wm Tatum.23


Hancock Co., GA. Capt. Boren. Peter Tatum.25 (two listings.)


11 Mar 1812 Hancock Co., GA. The plantation whereon Seth Tatum formerly lived, lived on as the property of Smith Dent until 25th December 1813 returned to me by a Constable.26

05 Jan 1813 Hancock Co., GA. 1st Tuesday – Sale of land belonging to estate of Nathaniel Tatum, deceased sold at Sparta for $256.18. Signed by William Tatum and Peter Tatum, Administrators. Peter Tatum purchased this land after it was put up for sale. From www.planetmurphy.org.

29 Sep 1815 Hancock Co., GA. Peter Tatum deeded to Thomas Townsend, both of Hancock County, for $700, 287 ½ acres in Hancock County wherein Peter Tatum now lives, bounded by lands of John Alford, Minse Sledge, Elijah Palmore, John Thomas. Being the land that was sold and conveyed a certain Thomas Harriss of Warren County, Georgia (who was) Administrator of Abr__ MGregor to Nathl Tatum, deceased Father of the said Peter Tatum, by a deed bearing the date of 28 February 1802, recorded in the county of Hancock. …land according to law was sold by Peter Tatum and William Tatum, Administrators of the deceased father, the said Nathl Tatum. And which the said Peter Tatum at a Publick Sale became the purchaser. Land is (defined) by Harriss and Nathl Tatum lines. Signed – Peter Tatum (seal). Witnesses – Elisha Cain, F. Lewis, J.P. Registered 5 July 1816.27

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23 Georgia Property Tax Digests, online at www.ancestry.com.
26 Georigenealogy.org – Hancock County. From www.planetmurphy.org.
27 Hancock County, Georgia, Deed Book L, p. 252. From www.planetmurphy.org.