

Origins of California's African American Pioneers

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Alabama

Martin Castillo
"Daniel"
George Washington Dennis—Mobile
"Isaac"
Gabriel Moore
Susan Neal
William Saunders
"Stephen"

Arkansas

"Clampa"
John Derrick
"Little Harry"
William Hart
Stephen Spencer Hill
Robert Johnson
Mrs. Logan
Clara Logan
Gabriel Moore
Philip Norris
Williamson Pease—Sabine River area, Napoleon
Artimisa Penwright (Rodgers)—Johnson Valley
Daniel Rodgers—Little Rock, Johnson Valley, Dardanell, Yell county
Charley Tyler
"Washington"
B. Zechariah

Connecticut

James Drew
Edward P. Duplex—New Haven
Adaline Duplex—New Haven
York Felmented
William F. Freeman—Connecticut or New York
Clarissa (Caesar) Grimes—New Haven, Litchfield
Cecelia Grimes (Williams)—New Haven, Litchfield
Phebe A. Patter
Nelson A. Primus—Hartford
W.H. Williams—New Haven

Delaware

Samuel Burris—Dover
Westley Carry
William E. Johns
Rebecca Jones—Wilmington
Charles Lewis
E. Lodine
James Olney
Henry Tolbert—Milford

Florida

James Duff
James D. Garvin
Julia Hernandez M.
Mary Hernandez
Joseph Lee
James Nichols
Elizabeth Segee—Jacksonville
Emma Segee—Jacksonville
George Seville—Key West
James Segee—Jacksonville
George Seville—Key West

Georgia

Dennis Aviery
James R. Davis—Savannah
Elijah Barker
Peter Gooch
Bridget “Biddy” Mason—Hancock County
George F. Monroe
Francis Murray
Sarah Murray
Mary Ellen Pleasant
Paul Rushmore
John Wade

Illinois

Charles Alexander—Springfield
Nancy Alexander--Springfield
Joseph Barthelome—Sparta
John Ferguson
Phoebe Ferguson
Henry Finley
Barney Ford—Chicago
John G. Johnson
Mr. Lyons—Chicago
Addie Raimus—Galena
Mrs. John Raimus—Galena

John Raimus—Galena

Indiana

John Monos

Michael Monos

Henry Wirth—Hagerstown

Kansas

Peter Biggs—Fort Leavenworth

Kentucky

Barnett, Sophia (Mrs.)

Benjamin Berry

James Brown

Vardaman Buller

“Charley”

C.C. Churchill

James Churchill—Louisville

Charles Caulwell—Bowling Green

Isaac Caulwell—Bowling Green

Lucy Caulwell-Disard—Bowling Green

Margaret Caulwell—Bowling Green

Maria Caulwell (nee Barnett)

Zachariah Caulwell—Bowling Green

Charles Essix

Henry Fox

Tom Gilman

“John”

“Joe”

Judge Kelly

David C. Lee

“Mose”

Josephine Ormsby

Peter Powers

Frank Seals

Rachel Seals

Schofield, Sophia—Bowling Green

John Scott

Richard Rapier

“Rheubin”

Uriah Smith

Charles Tipton

Titus, Lucy Mrs.—Bowling Green

Henry Yantes

Louisiana

Mary Allen

John Clamont

John Coward
Joseph Davenport—New Orleans
Eliza Davis—Patersonville, Arrakapas
Louisa Kelly
William A. Leidesdorff—New Orleans
Emilie Lisk
Charles Mercier
Joseph Moss
Rowland Paddy
Williamson Pease—New Orleans
Mary Ellen Pleasant—New Orleans
Henry F. Sampson—Rapides County
Charles Satchell—New Orleans
Madison Scott
Mary Ann Scruggs
J.B. Smith
Josephine Smith
George Thomas—New Orleans
Walter Street—New Orleans
Jane Elizabeth Whiting—New Orleans

Maine

Thomas Addison
Orris Holmes
Amanda Moore
Reuben Ruby—Portland

Maryland

Thomas Banks
William H. Blake
Ann Marie Booth-Hubbard—Baltimore
Edward Booth—Baltimore
Elige Booth—Baltimore
George Booth—Baltimore
Harriet Booth-Gale—Baltimore
Samuel Booth—Baltimore
Charlotte Brown—Baltimore
James Brown—Baltimore
Francis Butler
Henry Carroll
J.C. Cork
Caroline Detter
Thomas Detter
Lewis Dukehart
Barney Fletcher—Baltimore
Charles Fletcher—Baltimore
George Fletcher
George W. Gordon—Baltimore
William G. Hance—Baltimore

Jerry Harden—Baltimore
Ralph Jacks
Rufus James
George Mathews
William Mathews
Henry Miles—Baltimore
John Miles—Baltimore
Josephine Miles—Baltimore
Sarah Miles—Baltimore
Sylvia Miles—Baltimore
William Blake Miles—Baltimore
Isaac Pierson—Baltimore
George Ringgold
Elijah Robinson
Nancy Ross (Gooch)
Robert Small
George Smith
Giles Sneed
Darius Stokes—Baltimore
Charity Tilghman
John Thomas (James Williams)—Elkton
James Watkins

Massachusetts

John Austin
John A. Barber—Nantucket
John Blackburn—New Bedford
Henry Bracey
Lloyd Brooks—New Bedford
Charlotte Brown—Baltimore
Charlotte L. Brown—Baltimore
James E. Brown—Baltimore
Margaret Ann Brown—Baltimore
Thomas P. Buchanan—New Bedford
Henry Carroll—New Bedford
Gilbert Carter—New Bedford
George T. Chester
Horatio M. Chew
Antoine DeSant—Boston
James R. Davis—New Bedford
William Davis
Alexander Dove—Boston
James A. Dyer—New Bedford
William Ferguson—New Bedford
William Foreman—Boston
George Frank
Sarah Godfrey
B.F. Griffin
George Harris
Shadrack Howard—New Bedford
Mary Ann Israel-Ash

Walter Jackson—Boston
John Jenkins
Johnson
David Johnson—New Bedford
Ezra Rothschild Johnson—New Bedford
Nathan Johnson—New Bedford
John M. Jones—New Bedford
Rebecca Jones—Boston
“Kelsey”
Ed Lewis—Boston
Henry Mason
William R. Mathews
Charles Moreno
A.Morris—Boston
William Morris
Eliza Jane Peneton—New Bedford
Solomon Peneton—New Bedford
Mary Ellen Pleasant—Nantucket, Boston, New Bedford
Philip F. Piper—New Bedford
Thomas E. Randolph—New Bedford
James R. Robinson
David W. Ruggles—New Bedford
Hester Sanders—New Bedford
William Hester—New Bedford
Jeremiah Burke Sanderson—New Bedford
Mary Sanderson—New Bedford
William Skillman
John Smith
Darius Stokes—Baltimore
George Thompson
William Thompson
Elizabeth Thorn (Scott)—New Bedford
T.M.D. Ward—New Bedford
James William (John Thomas)—Boston, New Bedford

Michigan

Samuel Crane
Mrs. Flowers—Niles
Norris Stewart
Harriet Wartham
Samuel T. Webster

Mississippi

“Allen”
Charley Bates
Hartwell Bates
Thomas Berry
Edrington Binum
Margaret Binum

Thomas H. Bowen
Harry Brown
Sandy Jones
Archy Lee
Bridget “Biddy” Mason
Nathaniel Pointer
Henry Valle-Fredericktown

Missouri

Charles Alexander—St. Louis
Nancy Alexander—St. Louis
Robert Anthony—St. Louis
Joseph Barthelome
James P. Beckwourth—St. Louis
Benjamin Berry
Peter Biggs—Liberty
“Bob”
Isaac Bolton
Jane Bonds
P. Brown—St. Genevieve City
Richard Brown
Samuel Childers
Mary (Burns) Churchill—St. Joseph
Ellen Clark—Polk County
Sandy Clark (Jenkins)
John Clayton
Alvin Coffey—St. Louis County, Kansas City
Mahalia Coffey
William Crum
Mary Ann Dorsey
Sylvia Estes (Stark)—Clay County
James Fines
Elizabeth Flake (Rowan)
“Frank”
Peter Gooch
Caroline Grider—Silver County
John Grider—Silver County
Charles Haley
Matilda Henshaw (Childers)
Jacob Johnson—St. Louis
“Laura”
Aleck Long—St. Louis
“Lucy”
“Mary”
Bridget “Biddy” Mason—Hinds County
Ellen Mason—Hinds County
Harriett Mason—Hinds County
Joseph McKinney
William H. Morrison
“Negro Bob”

J.J. Neimore
Laura Pearson
Peter Powers—Warsaw
Robert Price
Moses L. Rodgers
Nancy Ross (Gooch)
“Sam”
Rachel Seals (Powers)—Warsaw
“Sam”
John Scott
Mary Elizabeth Snelling (Sugg)—Johnson City
Joseph Tatum
“Tom”
Henry Valle—Ironton County
Eliza Williams
“Washington”
William Washington
Hannah Wilson
Peter Wilson
Susan Wilson—Wayne County
“Winnie”
Edward Yahtes

New Jersey

Ever Brown
Charles Haley
George Humphries
Theresa M. Thompson—Camden
John P. Williams

New York

Thomas Allen
Van Allstein
Sarah Lavinia Bailey (Hall)
William H. Barker
Chester Bass
Philip A. Bell
James Bowman
J.H. Bowser
Samuel Brown
Peter K. Cole
Nelson Cook
Samuel Cornish
George Diggs
George W. Dawson—Rochester
William H. Defleet
Charles Frederick Easton
William Edmondson
Abner F. Francis—Buffalo

Jacob Francis—Buffalo
William F. Freeman (New York or Connecticut)
William Henry Garrison
William Henry Hall
Newport F. Henry
Henry Hicks
Aaron Holcomb—New York City
Robert Holmes—Staten Island
Mrs. Hyers—New York City
Anna Madah Hyers—New York City
Samuel B. Hyers—New York City
Isaac Isaacs
Peter Jackson—Brooklyn
John S. Jacobs—Rochester
Edward Johnson
John A. Lake
William A. Leidesdorff
“Louis”
G.A. Middleton
Mary Mundon
Willam H. Newby—New York City
Charles Pettorous
James Richard Phillips
James Price
John S. Russell
Daniel Seals
James S. Shaw
Moulton Shelton
Joseph Sinclair—New York City
George C. Smith
Thomas Smith
Henry Stanley--Buffalo
James Rylander Starkey
S.W. “Cato” Stepson
Mary Thomas
S. Thomas
William M. Thomas
Jonas H. Townsend
William Turner
Richard Williams
W.H. Williams
A. Washington
Frederick Washington
William Henry Yates

North Carolina

Alfred Alexander
Peter Barker
Martin Carson
Samuel Collins

John Dickerson
“Elijah”
Beard Erwin
Elizabeth Flake (Rowan)—Mason County
Lewis G. Green
Sabra Greenlief
Hueston Greenly
Gilbert Hardy
William Haywood
John S. Jacobs—Edenton
Joseph Jacobs—Edenton
William Kinkaid
“Laura”
James Mackey
Logan McDowell
Daniel Milton
Louden Nelson
J.W. Newsom
Charles Parks
Allen Patten
Laura Pearson
Henry Pierson
William Pollock
Daniel Rodgers
Amos Lace Scott
Gilbert Shade
James Rylander Starkey
William Sugg—Raleigh
Jesse Tower
John Wade—Robinson plantation
George Washington
John Woodfin

Ohio

Oberlin College

Frederick Barbadoes
William H. Hall
Daniel Seals
Fielding Smithea
Cornelius M. Wilson

James Madison Bell—Gallopolis, Cincinnati
David Brown—Lancaster
F.P. Clanton
James Cook
Dorthea McGowan—Columbus
Jess McGowan
J.M.M. Mordy
William O’Hara
Charles Satchell—Cincinnati

T.M. Willet

Pennsylvania

Peter Anderson
Isaac Beckett
Abraham Butler Brown—Philadelphia
Graften Tyler Brown—Harrisburg
M. J. Brown
Mary Robinson Brown--Philadelphia
George Burk
Samuel Burris—Philadelphia
William Burris
George Burt
George Bush
James C. Carter
Peter William Cassey—Philadelphia
William Cawtion
Henry M. Collins—Pittsburgh
Harriet Davis—Philadelphia
Caroline Detter
Andrew Edwards
Robert Emory
“Fisar”
Mifflin Gibbs—Philadelphia
John Gibson—Philadelphia
Charles Gideon—Philadelphia
William Grace
Charles (Jessie) Hackett
John Alex Hollman
Shadrack Howard—Philadelphia
Isaac Isaacs—Philadelphia
Isaac Jackson—Pittsburgh
John S. Jacobs
Barney M. Lee—Pitt Township, Allegheny County
Peter Lester—Philadelphia
Daniel Mahoney
Leandro Mayo
William H. Newby—Philadelphia
John Smith—Philadelphia
L. Stevens—Philadelphia
Henry Tolbert—Philadelphia
Jonas H. Townsend
“Visar”
Vosburg, Fritz James
T.M.D. Ward—Philadelphia
Waters, Shephard
Charles Wilkins
James Williams (nee John Thomas)—Philadelphia

Rhode Island

O.C. Gardiner
Henry Johnson

South Carolina

Barney Ford
Richard T. Houston—Guilford
John F. Meshaw
Ellard Summers
Anne Wilson

Tennessee

James Barker
Willis Bond
Monroe Branch
Richard Campbell
Alvin Coffey
Tom Gilman
John Grider—Seviere County
Ellen Jacobs
“John”—Nashville
Robert Johnson
G.A. Middleton
Bob Mitchell
Charles Nelson
Nathaniel Nelson—Cook County
Williamson Pease—Hardeman County, Haywood County
Mr. and Mrs. Pierson
James Price
Daniel Rodgers
John Scott
Thomas Simson
Mrs. Stockton
George Stockton
John Wade
“Walker”

Texas

W.J. Bryant
Felix Grundy
“John”—El Paso
Charles P. Owens
Martha Owens
Sara Jane Owens
Robert Owens
Winnie Owens
Susan Wilson

Utah

Laura Pearson
Oscar Crosby—Salt Lake City
Grief Embers—Salt Lake City
Toby Embers—Salt Lake City
Elizabeth Flake (Rowan)—Salt Lake City
Green Flake—Salt Lake City
Hark Lay—Salt Lake City

Virginia

Alexander T. Augusta—Norfolk
M. Bates
Peter Biggs
Frank Bird
John Blackburn
Cupid Blue
Allen Brown
David Brown—Hampshire County
Spencer Burns
Peter Byers—Henrico County
Albert Callis
Julia Clark
Sandy Clark (Jenkins)—southern Virginia
James Clary
Aaron Cobb
J.O. Cousins
Seatum Crawley
James R. Davis—Richmond
Samuel Elliott
John Ferguson
James R. Gassoway
John H. Gassoway
Caro A. Green
J. Hall
Mary Ann Harris—Richmond
Hart, William--Richmond
Joseph Edward Hatton—Norfolk
Richard Henderson
Matilda Henshaw
Phillip Barney Hodge
Ellis James
Richard Johnson
Thomas Johnson
Rebecca Jones—Norfolk
Daniel Langhorne
Charles John Lee
William Lee—Arlington
Peter Lester
Grundy Lilley
William Magill

William McKuen
Lydia Neil
William H. Newby
H.H. Nickols
William T. Paige
Maria Perkins
Emanuel Quivers—Richmond
Thomas E. Randolph—Powhattan County
Charles Satchell
Louis Sawyer
Frank Shelton—Orange County
Gabriel W. Simms
Julia Snelling
Ephraim Spriggs
James Sullivan
Richard Swan
D.J.C. Wallace
Elizabeth Jane Whiting—Kanawa
Ann Wielrich—heir in Farmersville
George Woods—Richmond
William H. Yates

Washington, D.C.

Ellen Addison
Daniel Baltimore
A. Brown
Alex Butler
Thomas Detter
Jacob Dodson
Adel Duff
William H. Hall
“Jim”
John Johnson
S. Jones
Barney M. Lee
George F. Monroe
Stafford P. Morton
Thomas W. Pierre
Moulton Shelton
Jeremiah Smallwood
Henry Tillison
William Henry Yates
Mary York

West Virginia

William Robinson
John Scott—White Sulphur Springs

Wisconsin

George R. Symes
“Willis”

Outside U.S.

Mary Barnswell—San Juan, Puerto Rico
William Blossom—Canada
A.H. Buler—West Indies
“Captain William”—Panama
Ezekiel Cooper—Buxton, Ontario
John T. Callender—West Indies
Richard Dalton—St. Thomas, Virgin Islands
Antoine DeSant—Cape Verde Islands
Alexander Dove—West Indies
William B. Farrell—St. Croix, Virgin Islands
Fletcher (Dr.)—St. Christopher, Danish West Indies
Francois Garesa—France
Annie Garrick (Peters)—St. Croix, Virgin Islands
Thomas Grant—West Indies
Brabantio Granville—Haiti
William G. Hance—Panama
Richard Harvey—England
Robert A. Hill—West Indies
John Johnson—Canada
“Juana”—Lima, Peru
Manuel Lativo—Mexico
William A. Leidesdorff—St. Croix, Virgin Islands
Ann C. Woods Lombard—West Indies
Eugene Peters Lombard—Martinique
Justo Martinez—Chile
John Mayhew--African
John F. Meshaw—West Indies
Mathew A. Phipps—West Indies
Henry Sanchez—Kingston, Jamaica
Wilford Street—(mother died in Smallfield, Jamaica)
William A. Ward—West Indies