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Jehu Meador  
s/o Jonas Meador and Frances Hudgens

**Jehu**, son of Jonas and **Frances Meador**, married **Sarah Atkinson**, who was the daughter of **Mary Ann** and **Samuel Atkinson**, around 1860. Their children were: Frances, **Ann “Annah”**, Patty “Martha”, Sally, Joseph, Jehu Jr., and Jonas.

Jehu Jr. (1772 – 1820) married Drucilla Boatwright (1777 – 1843) daughter of Jane Hensen; Micajah Singleton, to Maria Jane Toney; Valentine, to Harriet E. Parker; John Isham unmarried; Frances Anderson, to John A. Austin; and Drucilla, to \_\_\_\_\_ Austin.



Micajah Singleton

Micajah Singleton (1810 - after 1869) married Maria Jane Toney (1827-1890), daughter of Edmund Toney of Buckingham County, Virginia, December 19, 1844, in Cumberland County, Virginia. They lived in Richmond, Virginia, until 1860. Then they moved to Buckingham County, Virginia, by the packet boat. Micajah sharpened tools for doctors and dentists. He traveled back and forth to England during his life time. Their children were Mary Jane who married John William Yancey, son of John Garland Yancey, and Drucilla Elizabeth, unmarried.

John William Yancey (1838-1904) and Mary Jane (1848-1928) were married March 11, 1867, in Buckingham County, Virginia. Their children were Robert Edmond, married to Margaret Scruggs; Mary Frances, to Thomas Eddie Davis; William Thomas, to Mary Elizabeth Christian; Waverly Garfield, to Sallie Louise Davis.

William Thomas Yancey (1874-1957) married Mary Elizabeth Christian (1886-1942) May 30, 1905, in Buckingham County, Virginia. Their children were Julian Walker (1906-1908), Mary Virginia (1909-1935), Thomas Aubrey, Annie Ruth, John Garland (1916-1974), Pauline Elizabeth and Edith Pitman.

Mary Virginia was married to Fred Martin Simanske of Farmville, Virginia, August 6, 1933; Thomas Aubrey, to Sarah Lanford of Palmyra, Virginia, August 5, 1937; Annie Ruth, to Fred Martin Simanske of Farmville, Virginia, March 22, 1947; John Garland, to Ernie Marie Piercy, of Buckingham County, Virginia, November 18, 1944; Pauline Elizabeth, to Raleigh Thomas Kendall of Buckingham, Virginia, January 6, 1945; Edith Pitman, to Guy Norwood Rogers of Richmond, Virginia, June 29, 1946.

Thomas Aubrey and Sarah live at Arvonnia, Virginia. Their children are Thomas Aubrey Jr.; William Allen and Evalyn Elizabeth Lipoff.

Annie Ruth and Fred Simanske live in Cumberland County, Virginia.

John Garland and Ernie's children are John Garland Jr. and Lyndelle Marie Rice.

Pauline Elizabeth and Raleigh Kendall (1915 – 1965) have a son Donald Thomas. Pauline lives at Arvon, Virginia.

Edith Pitman and Guy N. Rogers live in Richmond, Virginia. Their children are Guy Norwood III; William Saunders and Lou Ann Tiller.

*Pauline Y. Kendall*

**Source:** The Descendants of Jonas and Frances Meador of Essex, Caroline and Cumberland Counties, Virginia, compiled by Perkins Nunnally: Includes Holloway, Holland, and related families.

Jonas Meador, son of John Meador Sr., was born in Essex County, Virginia ca. 1696-1700. Jonas married Frances and all of their children were born in the Essex-Caroline area of Virginia. In 1751 he bought land in Cumberland County where he died in 1768. Descendants lived in Virginia, North Carolina, Missouri, Tennessee, and elsewhere.

(Pg. 7: "While the majority of the sons of Jonas & Frances were too old to serve in the Rev'l forces, the youngest Jesse, served both in the State Militia & on "The Committee of Safety." Several of the other brothers are recorded as having furnished supplies to the American Forces & a number of their sons served in the VA Militia.")

Their oldest son Joel of Bedford Co. (later Franklin) was a Justice of the Peace in 1770. At least 3 of his sons were Rev'l War Veterans. He died November 1798 leaving 166T acres to 8 sons. The 3 Rev' War sons are Jonas, Joel Jr. and Isham and are in the National Archives and court records of Smith Co., TN.

**Source:**

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RWS MEADOR, ISHAM, VA, Martha, #W25697, extracted by Mary Lu Johnson

Pvt under Capt Rice of the VA Line for 6 months, inscribed on roll of West Tennessee, Smith Co., TN. Born 20 Mar 1762 in Bedford co, VA where he enlisted Oct 3 or 4, 1781 as private in Capt. Nathaniel Rice's Virginia company, discharged 5 April 1782. 30 Nov 1832, pension app when resided in Smith Co., TN. Died 2 March 1840. Name of soldier's first wife not given, nor dates of marriage/death. Married 9 May 1817 in Smith County, the part which later became Macon Co., TN to Mrs. Martha Sullivan.

1832 Joel Meader aged 73 and Jonas Meader age 75 residing in Smith Co., TN. 20 April 1853 widow Martha Meader aged 74 living Macon Co., TN, allowed pension on application.

1854 Jobe Meader was living in Jackson Co., TN aged 69

years, states "I am the oldest son of my father Isham Meador by his first marriage I know when Mother died and the length of time he lived a widower". Son Jesse Meader living in Macon Co., TN aged 55 years. 1854 Banister Meader, nephew of soldier, resided Macon Co., TN age 54. AFFIDAVITS: Peter Meador, King Sullivan 20 April 1853, no relationship or ages given. Letter in file requesting pension information from Mrs. Guy (Ruth P.) Turner, Memphis, TN 10 May 1933 on Isham Meadows or Isom Medders "etc". "Old members of the family say he fought from Bedford County, Va and that his wife's name was Beddy. They later moved to Ky where he possibly drew his pension." Another letter from Mr. C.M. Pearce, Proctor, Ark 6 June 1933 requests information on Isham Meadows, Virginia Line from Bedford Co. states his wife's name was Betty Bradshaw.

RWS MEADOR, JOEL, VA, Sally #7445

Name not shown as Meadows. Born 8 March 1760 Bedford Co., VA, names of pts not shown. Volunteered Fall of 1779 while living in Bedford Co., served 3 mos as Pvt in Capt John Arter's company, Col Charles Lynch's VA Regt. Enlisted Fall 1781, 6 mos as Pvt in Capt Nathaniel Rice's VA company. Died April 7 or 8, 1834. Married 13 June 1780, Bedford Co., that part of which was later Franklin Co., VA to Sally Meador b March 1762. POB and names of her pts not given. Removed to Smith Co., TN from Bedford Co. in 1800. At one time lived in Illinois, said "Joel Meader in moving to Illinois and then returning...possible that some of her Grand children had...access to the bible and that the record was torn out...". [A small scrap of the bible was microfilmed; believe last child may have been born 12 Dec 1801]. Joel and Sally Meador had 9 children:

Ann b August 1781; Lydia; Jephtha; Milley; Sally; Bennet; Banister b 1794; Ruth and Joseph. 1832 soldier's brother, Isham Meador aged 71 and Jonas Meador age 75 (relationship not given) were living in Smith Co., TN and stated they had known Joel since infancy and were in service with him during Revolution.

1837 Joel's brother Job Meador aged about 73 stated in Smith Co., TN that he witnessed the marriage of Joel and Sally Meador.

1837 Bennet Meador stated in Smith Co., TN that he was well acquainted with soldier & his wife. RWS Meador, Jonas, Application #R7081 [Rejected].  
Extracted by Mary Lu Johnson

Did not serve six months. 30 Nov 1832 Smith Co., TN applicant gave affidavit in open court. Jonas Meador aged 74 the 3rd day of Feb 1832, born Bedford Co., VA 3 Feb 1758, where he lived until 1809 when he moved to Smith County, Tennessee, where he has lived ever since. Drafted for 6 months, entered 3 Oct 1781, mustered in under Capt Nathan Rice. Company assembled at Prince Edward Court House, marched to Richmond. Company he was with was sent down James River 60 or 70 miles to unload a munitions ship. Discharged 5 April 1782. Isham Meador and Joel Meador who served with him and can prove his service. About six weeks before his service expired he hired a substitute by the name of Andrew Eddins to finish his time.

27 August 1919, letter from Mrs. E. F. Walden, Morehouse, MO inquires. States: "I Mrs. Susie Walden nee Meador born in Cumberland County Virginia am the daughter of Meritt Singleton Meador - son of Jonas Meador - son of William Meador - son of Jehu Meeador - son of Jonas Meador - son of Jehu Meador, Sr. All these Meadors seem to be of Cumberland County Virginia. The will of this Jehu Meado Jr. was made in 1820. The records at Cumberland C.H. Va. show it". RWS Meadow/Meadows, Josiah, VA, #S7225, extracted by Mary Lu Johnson [Not Jackson Co, TN area, maybe related]

Born Feb 1758, pob and names of pts not shown. Enlisted Bedford co., VA, Pvt Capt Joseph Renfro's VA company, went on expedition against the Indians in Greenbrier Co, VA, length of this service 6 months. After expiration of this term, removed to Botetourt co., VA, remained there until the next Feb, then enlisted in Capt. Isaac Taylor's VA co., marched to the Islands of Holston, joined regt of Col John Montgomery, went to Chickamauga India towns, which some they destroyed. Then went by water to the Illinois towns on the MS River & joined Col. Clark, went with him to the Falls of the Ohio, then Harrodsburg, then returned to Botetour co, VA where he was discharged, having served one year. About the time of surrender of Cornwallis enlisted again guarding the magazine at Westhem, VA and prisoners to Fredericksburg, VA, discharged March following. 27 Aug 1832 residing Giles Co., VA allowed pension. States was Minister of the Gospel

**Source:** The History of Smith County Tennessee  
sponsored by Smith County Homecoming '86, Heritage Committee:

On page 70 is the beginning of the list of Veterans of the Revolutionary War Buried in Smith County, TN.

On page 72  
Meadow (Meador), Isham (MN BK 14, pg. 218; PL; Bates 122; Southern Historical Families, Vol II, Boddie).  
VA. Pvt., VA Militai, placed on pension roll 6 April 1833, age 73, Wife Susannah.

Meadow (Meador), Jonas (MN Book, 14, pg. 218; Boddie). VA.

Meadow (Meador), Joel (MN Book, 14, pp. 195, 218; Bates 122; Boddie; PL). 1757-1848. Pvt. VA Militia, placed on pension roll: 6 April 1833, age 75. Wife Sally.

**Family Notes of James Paul Anderson of Gainesboro, Jackson Co., TN (Deceased):** The children of Jonas Meador and his wife Frances moved westward in early 1740's into Amelia and what was later to become Cumberland, VA and Prince Edward counties. Jonas and Frances, living in Caroline County bought land in Cumberland Co., VA. Sold following year. In December 1751 he again bought land in Cumberland and moved there, where he died.

John Meador Sr. was the son of Thomas Meador of VA, who in turn was the son of Thomas Meador Sr. of VA.

Meador spelled various ways: Meador, Meadors, Meadow, Meadows, some early, Meade, Made, Mador etc.....

**Source:** NSDAR Patriot Index: Revolutionary Patriot/Soldiers

**MEADER, JEHU** (*Jehu was the brother of Isham Meador/Meador*)

Birth: VA Circa 1740

Rank: CS PS (Civil Service – Patriot Service)

Service: VA

Death: VA Before (ante) 16 Sep 1808 (*26 September 1808*).

Patriot Pensioned: No

Widow Pensioned: No

Children Pensioned: No

Heirs Pensioned: No

Spouse: (1) Sarah Atkinson

**Source:** Transcribed by Timothy R. Meador, Jr.  
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**CAL'S COLUMN**

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Recently we received a letter in which information on the **Meador family** was sought. So far we have found no reference to the family in the old Court records, as memory now recalls. It appears that they came to Smith County perhaps about the year 1808, and we are six years short of that time in our publication of the old Court records. However, we have recently come across the following: **Isham Meador** was placed on the Revolutionary War pension list in Smith County, Tennessee, for an allowance of \$20.00 per year, on an application dated April 6, 1833, when he was 73 years old. **Joel Meador**, of Smith County, Tennessee, applied on same date, and was then 75 years of age, and was allowed a pension of \$30.00 per year. Evidently these men were brothers and both fought in the American Revolution. We hope shortly to publish a fairly complete list of the earliest members of the Meador family in Smith County and their descendants.

**Source:** Tennessee Genealogical Records: Records of Early Settlers From State and County Archives:  
By Edythe Rucker Whitley: Baltimore Genealogical Publishing Co., Inc.: 1980.

**FOREWORD:** Edythe R. Whitley's Tennessee Genealogical Records brings together in one volume many documents copied from records either at the State Archives in Nashville or at over twenty county courthouses. Originally compiled in the 1930's, in a series of eleven pamphlets, this valuable material has never before been available to the general public. It is here presented in a totally restructured form, and is now in easy reach of the researcher.

Pg. 253 & 254: PETITION FROM SMITH COUNTY, TN:

Petition for an alternation in the Constitution from sundry Citizens of Smith County, 27 November 1837, asking for a new county. Signed by a number of citizens of Dist. 11 of said Smith County. This petition is filed in Box 75. Legislative Papers, Tennessee State Archives, Nashville, TN.

Hezekiah Blankinship  
William Matox  
Lewis Cooper  
Isham Blankenship  
Francis Cooper  
Rice Snider  
Edward Glover  
Samuel Woodcock  
Alfred Simmons  
John Woodcock Sr.  
Nathan Woodcock  
William C. Simpson  
**Jehu Meador**  
John O. Cosby  
**Wesley Meador**  
William Dunn  
**Christopher Meador**  
Stephenson Holland  
Wm. C. Chamberlain  
Joel M. Woodcock

Lewis Law  
**Ira Meador**  
**Bennet Meador**  
Thomas Haney  
Jam. C. Gammon  
John Wood Cock  
**Joseph Meador**  
Jonah Wilderman  
Joseph Woodcock  
Mark Woodcock  
Wiley Woodcock  
William Ferguson  
Andrew Simmons  
James M. Chamberlain  
William Ragland  
Daniel Clebon  
Austin L. Hanes  
**Banister Meador**  
**Anderson Meador**  
**Joel Meador**

Isaac Hatckett  
Joel Blankenship  
Patrick Ramsey  
Benj. Talley  
Calvin Cook  
John Howel  
Henry Snider  
King Silovin(?)  
Samuel R. Tucker  
Lewis Lin  
Charley Woodcock  
Smith Woodcock  
Henry Woodcock  
Robert Bratton  
Joel Hire  
James Jenkins  
William Robinson  
G.B. Parker  
Nedam Holland

Lewis Bandy  
Samuel Martin  
Epsor Epperson  
John Blankenship  
John Martin  
J. H. Snider  
John Butler  
Joel Turkey  
**Jobe Meador**  
John Clabon  
Peter Epperson  
Eli Hire  
John Stowers  
George Lamb  
Edward Bradley  
Cyrus Hanes  
Smith Epperson  
David F. Gilbert  
Joel Simmons

Pg. 225 & 261: SMITH COUNTY WILLS AND OTHER RECORDS:

Many of the early records of this county were lost in 1865 when the courthouse was used as the home of troops. There are some valuable documents, mostly in record books on file in the county, but only a few original papers. Recently, some interest has been taken by the County Court Clerk and the earliest books have been rebound. The earliest will book is marked "B", and begins in 1805. the book contains other records besides wills.

Will Book 1814-1816: James Meador; inventory of his estate and inventory of the estate of Jonas Meador, ade 10 May 1815; proved May 1815 (Page 54).

**Source:** ABSTRACTS OF CUMBERLAND COUNTY, VIRGINIA, WILL BOOKS 1 & 2, 1749 – 1782, Abstracted by Katherine Reynolds:

Pg. 68: (pg. 257): Account of administration of estate of **JONAS MEADOR**. By: **Jehu Meador**, admin. Paid: to James Holloway for his account; to Richard James for his account; to James Holloway on account of Lewis Turner, orphan of Micajah Turner; to William Hill account, Drury Hudgens; paid Thomas Holand for his account; paid Sam Holloway for account of Jesse Boatright; Wm. Saunderson for finishing the crop; James Minter for his account; John Creasy for his account; Richard Blands account; Caleb Hughes for Thos. Kevil for work done; Zach McGwin for account James Guilliam; **Jesse Meador** for his account; Wm. Hughes for account Randolph Robinson; Holloway Hudgens for account Robert Hudgens; Wm. Hix for **Jonas Meador** bond on **Joel Meador**; paid James Holloway on account Lewis Turner estate; James Holloway on same account; Dal Boatright for his account; John Murry for bond of Jane Meador; paid Wm. Edwards for his account; Hezekiah Bradley for account of John Burton; George Carrington for account of Wm. Holland; Joseph Palmore for his account; Alex and Peterfield Trent and Co. for...accounts; Daniel Bates for account; Richard Crump; Miller Burford; Thos. Sugt. Hill; paid Hannah Holloway for this account; James Minter for **Sarah Meador**, orphan of **Jonas Meador**; Thomas Kevil for board and clothing of Ann Meador; Jesse Thomas; Bond vs. Caleb Hughes, 1773; Bond vs. Thomas Hughes, 1773; Micajah Compton and his wife; Thomas Kevil; due Lewis Turner, orphan of Micajah. In obedience to order of court account was dated 23 November 1778. Account examined and ordered recorded 18 October 1779. Jos. Carrington.

Pg. 69: (pg. 266): Will of FRANCES MEADOR, dated 17 August 1774, Pr. 25 September 1780. Daughter, Ann: granddaughter, Rosannah Meador; my children, Joel Meador, Mary Holland, Frances Holloway, John Meador, Josiah Meador, Jehu Meador, Jacob Meador and Jesse Meador. Exrs.: Joel Meador, Jehu Meador and Jesse Meador. Wit.: John Atkinson, Josiah Robertson, Meatha Meador (X). Proved by Josiah Robertson and Meatha Meador. Samuel Holloway and Simon Gentry were security for Jehu.

Pg. 69: (pg. 269): Appraisal of estate of FRANCES MEADOR. Court 22 January 1781. 1 negro woman named Milla, L 600, 1 boy Isaac, L 1000, L 7000.00; 1 negro man hary, 2500.00; 1 old bay horse, L 200, 1 calf, L 300, 500.00; 1 calf, L 300, one cow L 300, one year old, 600.00; 1 sow and 5 pigs, one.....150.00; 1 sow and 4 pigs, L 75, 4 sheats, L 200, 275.00; 1 L 20 half of which is to the estate of each, 160.00; 2 beds and furniture, L 500 each, 1005.00; 1 bedstead and 1 large trunk, 350.00; 2 pair old cotton cards, flax wheel, 9 bottles, pigs, coffee pot, 2 mugs, 1 pepper box, 1 chamber pott, parcel of old pewter, 1 iron pit, 1 loom, 20 bushels corn, 1 woman saddle, etc....Creed Haskins, Field Robinson, William Frayser.

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