

## THE BOOK OF JARED

### RUFFIN FAMILY

Through William Ruffin we claim ancestry back to Jamestown, Va. Whether he is numbered among the first settler is not known. He is definitely placed in that community after 1650. He signed the will of Edward Chetwine 27 Sept. 1649 and signed the will of William Jewry 1 Jan. 1651.

William Ruffin bought land in Isle of Wight Co., Va., 10 May 1653.

In a deposition, John Smyth, aged 50 years said WILLIAM RUFFIN covenanted with John Groves to build him a house for three hundred pounds of tobacco. Ruffin's son to help for twenty days. It was not built so the tobacco was buried in the ground for want of housing. 9 June 1664.

7 Feb. 1667 William Ruffin empowered his son Robert to defend in court the suit of Nicholas Boon. On June 9, 1670 William Ruffin made over to Katherine Thornton 200 acres of land in case of her death to be equally divided between her two children.

ROBERT RUFFIN, the son of William died in Isle of Wight Co., Va., in 1693. He married Elizabeth, the wealthy widow of Joseph Watkins. Their children were:

Elizabeth Ruffin	md. William Kinchin
Robert Ruffin	md. Elizabeth ---
William Ruffin	