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Last time I ran through Benjamin Garrett in a semi-live process.

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We created research notes.

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Research continues... Reminder of his relationships.

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Remaining research to be done in SLC.

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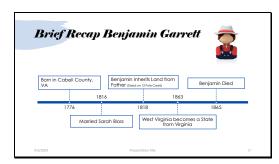
Find the last session on the GTV Academy website. Course Access, login, 2024 YouTube Video course.

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Find it in the list.

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Reminder of a brief timeline. Timelines are important... And keeping in mind when state and county borders change.

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Problem finding Benjamin in 1830. I had shown this to you but didn't show you how I found him.

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On Ancestry, Search, Card Catalog, filter to Virginia (because West Virginia was not a state yet), U.S. Census, 1830, Sort by Record Count, Open.

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First tried by using Benjamin Garrett and autofill.

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No luck.

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Removed Benjamin. Note the side box. You can filter by state and county. We're not using that right now but pay attention to the Not Stated township.

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Searching for Benjamin Garrett with only his last name. Found 115 results. Scrolled the list for Cabell County, VA. Found Robert Garrett. Same last name, not my Benjamin. Clicked into Robert to access the Cabell County roll. Confirmed location at the top. Notice the "not stated" township. Same as the side box previously.

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I could have accessed it here. There are two ways to access it. In this case, I could have drilled into the "not stated" township and found the same thing. You just need to scroll through the record to find your ancestor.

Robert Garrett is on the same page as my ancestor Benjamin Garrett, so he is likely related.

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Several Family Histories mention Benjamin Garrett and his wife Sarah Bloss.

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Research now continues with Sarah Bloss.

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There are multiple images found for Sarah Bloss. The goal is to find the original if possible. Use uploader and dates to find the oldest upload date. Sometimes this is the originator who might know where the original image came from.

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Multiples of the same image.

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Find a Grave had the oldest image. Reach out to the originator.

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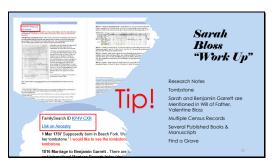
Name printed in Book Find the book.

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Three are from one book.
One from another book... I think.
Find the books.

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Found several records for Sarah Bloss. Some are from the Benjamin Garrett research such as census record during the time they were together.

Add the FamilySearch ID and the Ancestry hyperlink to the ancestors Research Notes.

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Moving on to Valentine Bloss. Benjamin Garrett and Sarah Bloss were found in Valentine Bloss' will.

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Honey Taylor found the DAR records during our last session. Thank you.

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The DAR Records – purchased a copy. Had some Revolutionary War records, newspaper articles, the history of Wayne County, and some references to some books. This led me to want to find the Hardesty's book, the Rev War Records and the newspaper articles that I did not have.

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On Fold3 I found the entire Rev War package. Only two of the pages from the DAR record were duplicated. There is more to the story here. I need to transcribe and study this further.

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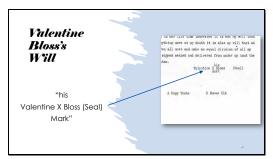
One record lead to another. The DAR records led to the Rev War records.

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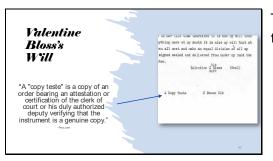
Will for Valentine Bloss gives evidence of marriage for Sarah and Benjamin. Also, the relationship "daughter" of Sarah and her father Valentine.

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This is typical for someone who can't write with an X for "his mark".

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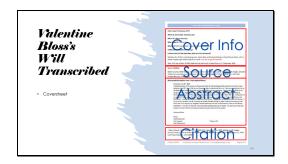


This is a derivative document. I need to find the original.

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Transcribe documents exactly as you see it with misspellings, line breaks, marks, smudges, indents, and all. Use [sic] to let the reader know that you (the transcriber) know the previous word is misspelled or spelled differently than what it is today. This let's the reader know it is not a typo on your part.

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Line out boilerplate language.

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Remove lined out boilerplate leaving a sentence and paragraph like structure keeping the same order that it was written.

This is important because it was and still is common practice to list children in birth order. Sometimes boys will be listed and then all of the girls. In that case you won't know the exact birth order but will often list the boys in order of age then girls in order of age.

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The last page contains an image of the document.

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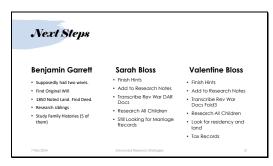
Full source citations on every page.

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Copy and paste the abstract into the ancestor's research notes.

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Next Steps... Still lots to do. Some in Salt Lake City during RootsTech.

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- Drill into Census, even if it's not your ancestor just to get into the roll. Then Search.
- Confirm older census with neighbors.
- Images, Documents, & Dates
 - Images uploaded, by whom and when. Reach out to the oldest date.
 - Documents Family History (books & manuscripts publish date).
 - Seek the Books they are printed in.
- Multiple Indexes in Books
- Are there more records? Deeds, DAR, Land, Tax, etc.
- Transcribe, Abstract into Research Notes.
- Pay attention to clues vs. facts.
- FIND THE ORIGINALS!
 - Put it in your hands if you can.
 - Photograph it!