

Bruce Family Genealogy

1. Charles Bruce⁶⁴
 - b. before 1715
 - d. 1790 in Fredericksburg, Va., while visiting
buried in Fredericksburg, Va.
 - m. Diana Banks⁶⁵
 - b.
 - d.

children

 1. James Bruce⁶⁶
 - b. 1763
 - d. 1837
 - m.
 - b.
 - d.

children

 1. James Coles Bruce
 - b. January 26, 1808
 - d.
 - m. Eliza Wilkins
 - b.
 - d.

children

 1. Alexander Bruce
 - b.
 - d. 1906
 - m. Mary Anderson⁶⁷
 - b.
 - d.

children

 1. Walter Bruce
 - b.
 - d.
 2. Malcolm Graham Bruce
 - b.
 - d.
 3. Ellen Douglas Bruce
 - b.

⁶⁴ Appointed overseer in Virginia by Governor Alexander Spotswood. He purchased a large and valuable farm in Orange County, Virginia, midway between Charlottesville, Culpeper, and Fredericksburg. He built "Solider's Rest" about 1755 on the property; it burned completely in 1857.

⁶⁵ Frances, the sister of Charles Bruce, married Gerard Banks. It is possible that Diana was a relative.

⁶⁶ Lived in southern Halifax County, Virginia, in 1808.

⁶⁷ Daughter of Judge Francis T. Anderson, Virginia Court of Appeals.

d.
m. Richard Crane⁶⁸
b.
d.

2. Charles Bruce, Jr.

b. 1768

d.

m. Frances Stubblefield⁶⁹; after 1769, but prior to 1772

b.

d.

children

1. Elizabeth Bruce

b.

d.

m. James Williams⁷⁰

b.

d.

children

1. Philip Williams

b.

d.

m. Mildred Catlett

b.

d.

children

1. Robert Williams⁷¹

b.

d.

m. Adele Cutts⁷²

b.

d.

2. George Morton Williams

b.

d.

m. Gertrude Long

b.

d.

children

1. Mary Jane Williams

b.

⁶⁸ Son of Charles R. Crane and grandson of R. T. Crane, founder of The Crane Company of Chicago.

⁶⁹ Eldest sister of Henry Bruce, Sr.'s, mother, Mary Stubblefield.

⁷⁰ A captain in the Continental Army and a general in the U. S. Army during the War of 1812.

⁷¹ A general in the U. S. Army.

⁷² Widow of Senator Stephen A. Douglas.

- d.
 - m. H. St. George Tucker⁷³
 - b.
 - d. 1932
 - 3. Bruce Williams [daughter]
 - b.
 - d.
 - m. Malcolm Bruce⁷⁴
 - b.
 - d.
- 2. William Bruce, Sr.⁷⁵
 - b. 1724
 - d. August 1792
 - m. _____ Banks⁷⁶
 - b.
 - d.
 - children
 - a. Mary Bruce
 - b.
 - d.
 - never married
 - b. Milly Bruce
 - b.
 - d.
 - never married
 - c. Betsy Bruce
 - b.
 - d.
 - never married
 - d. Margaret Bruce
 - b.
 - d.
 - m. William H. Hay
 - b.
 - d.
 - e. Lucy Bruce⁷⁷
 - b.
 - d.

⁷³ Spent thirty years in Congress; was son of John Randolph Tucker.

⁷⁴ Of "Berry Hill."

⁷⁵ Operated a moderately successful plantation of 300 acres on the Rappahannock River now in Stafford County, Virginia, near the Staffor-King George county line, about five miles from Fredericksburg.

⁷⁶ Conjectural. Written statement of Harriet Mason Hay, deceased, great-granddaughter of William Bruce and a second cousin of Henry Bruce, Sr. Banks was said to have been born and reared at "Springfield" plantation, in King George County, and may have been a relative.

⁷⁷ Lucy Bruce Laing and her three unmarried sisters, Mary, Millie, and Betsy, went to live with their nephew, Henry Bruce, Sr., when they approached old age.

- m. _____ Laing
 - b.
 - d.
 no children
- f. Robert Bruce⁷⁸
 - b.
 - d.
 - m. Roberta Carey
 - b.
 - d.
 - m. _____ Young
 - b.
 - d.
 six children
- g. Charles Carey Bruce⁷⁹
 - b.
 - d.
 - m. Nancy Kenyon
 - b.
 - d.
 two children
 - m. Sarah Mason
 - b.
 - d.
 six children
- h. William Bruce, Jr.⁸⁰
 - b.
 - d.
 - m. _____ Campbell
 - b.
 - d.
 - m. _____ Gravatt
 - b.
 - d.
 seven children
- 1. George [S. ?] Bruce, Sr.⁸¹

⁷⁸ Removed to Caroline County, Virginia, where he died in his thirtieth year. One son, Charles Bruce, settled in Stafford County, Virginia, where he died at age 77 in 1848, leaving one son and several daughters.

⁷⁹ Lived at "Springfield" near the old William Bruce home place. The tomb of Charles Carey Bruce is said to be preserved in the family burial ground on the farm.

⁸⁰ Enlisted in the Continental Line during the American Revolution, was captured, and died in prison.

⁸¹ He and his wife had a small plantation in Stafford County, Virginia, which was operated with the assistance of two or three slaves. One of the slaves, Winny, was part of the dowry of Mary Stubblefield. Henry Bruce, Sr., received at his father's death £89 and the following slaves: Phillis and child, £70, Frank (age 17), £70, Winny, £25. He had willingly split his father's small estate with his brother even though the

- b. after 1749
 - d. October 1778
 - m. Mary Stubblefield⁸² ; in 1775 or 1776
 - b.
 - d. April 13, 1818
- children
- 1. Henry Bruce, Sr.⁸³
 - b. October 30, 1777, Stafford County, Virginia
 - d. July 10, 1855, Fleming County, Ky.
 - m. Eleanor Threlkeld⁸⁴ ; January 11, 1798, in Fleming County, Ky.,
by Rev. M. [?] Holmes
 - b. May 15, 1778, Frederick County, Virginia
 - d. April [6 or 7], 1863
- children
- 1. George Stubblefield Bruce⁸⁵
 - b. October 28, 1800, Fleming County, Ky.
 - d. September 10, 1883
 - m. Sabina "Bina" Metcalfe⁸⁶ ; October 9, 1823, by
Rev. Walter Warder
 - b.
 - d. October 23, 1883
- children
- 1. Eleanor "Ellen" Bruce
 - b. January 26, 1827
 - d. January 31, 1851
 - m. James A. Chappell⁸⁷ ; October 11, 1848, in
Fleming County, Ky., by Rev. S. L. Helm
 - b. September 11, 1823
 - d.
- children
- 1. Henry Bruce Chappell
 - b. August 26, 1849, in Fleming County, Ky.
 - d.
 - 2. Ellen Holt Chappell
 - b. September 19, 1850, in Fleming County,

law entitled him to the total. George Bruce received £119 and the following slaves: Fortune (a woman), £70, a man (son of Fortune), and Ben, £80.

⁸² Henry Bruce, Sr. visited his mother's sister in Virginia between 1798 and 1811. She was the widow of Charles Bruce of "Soldier's Rest." In 1808 he met Charles and James Bruce (both sons of Charles Bruce who had died ca. 1790).

⁸³ Moved to Fleming County, Kentucky, in 1793.

⁸⁴ A Mrs. Mary Threlkeld Bishop (d. May 27, 1883, aged 67), wife of Hon. Richard M. Bishop, is listed in the deaths of the Bruce Records. Her relationship to this Threlkeld is unknown. For a genealogy of Eleanor Threlkeld, see Morgan, p. 32.

⁸⁵ He and his wife lived in Carlisle, Kentucky. Mariah, a slave of Henry Bruce, Sr.'s, mother became "mammy" to Henry and Eleanor's children before she was 14 years old.

⁸⁶ Daughter of Eli Metcalfe (d. December 18, 1859) and Sally (Pickett) Metcalfe (d. August 9, 1844).

⁸⁷ Remarried Lucy P. Bruce, his sister-in-law, following Ellen's death.

Ky.

- d.
- m. William S. Spencer; June 14, 1872
- b. July 19, 1846
- d.

2. Eli Metcalfe Bruce

- b. February 2, 1828
- d. December 15, 1866
- buried in Highland Cemetery, Ft. Mitchell, Ky.
- m. Sallie E. Withers; February 1, 1854
- b. March 25, 1835
- d.

children

1. Mattie Withers Bruce

- b. November 10, 1854
- d.
- m. Dudley S. Reynolds, M.D.; July 13, 1881
- b.
- d.

2. George S. Bruce

- b.
- d.

3. Charles W. Bruce

- b.
- d.

3. Sally Bruce

- b. August 18, 1829
- d.
- m. Oliver Hazzard Perry Thomas; October 29, 1853
- b.
- d. July 10, 1878

children

1. Emi Tolle Thomas

- b.
- d.
- m. _____ Hunter
- b.
- d.

2. Benjamin F. Thomas

- b.
- d.

3. Bessie Thomas

- b.
- d.
- m. _____ Jones
- b.

- d.
- 4. George B. Thomas
 - b.
 - d.
- 5. Luellen Thomas
 - b.
 - d. August 26, 1873, in Maysville, Ky.
- 4. Henry C. Bruce
 - b. February 15, 1831
 - d.
 - m. Susan M. Stockwell⁸⁸ ; December 7, 1858, in Lafayette, Indiana
 - b. December 6, 1838, in Henderson, Ky.
 - d.
 - children

⁸⁸ Daughter of James Monroe & Catharine M. Stockwell.