

AMBROSE RUCKER

Colonel Ambrose Rucker (Revolutionary Soldier) son of John Rucker, who came to Virginia with 700 Hugunots in 1700.

They embarked in four ships at Gravesend England. The vessel in which John sailed was wrecked in Jamestown Bay off the coast of Va.; he floated on pieces of the wreckage before being picked up by a passing vessel. The account of the ship wreck is given in "Huhunots Emigration and Settlement" by R. A. Brock.

John Rucker the French Hugunot was naturalized in 1704, this is from the "Legislature Journals of the Council of Colonial Va." He was commissioned Captain in Colonial Service in 1740.

His wife was Susannah Phillips daughter of William and Susannah Loyd Phillips. He died in 1742 leaving a will in which he mentions Seven sons and Five Daughters.

Peter	Reuben	Winnifred
John	Isaac	Mildred
Ambrose	Anthony	Phoebe
Benjamin	Sarah	Margaret

Ambrose Rucker was born in Amhurst Va., about 1730 and died there Dec. 1st, 1807. He served first in French and Indian war as Captain 1755-62. We find him in Revolutionary records in many places serving in various capacities, such as paying off his company, guarding prisoners, conveying provisions etc., always with the rank of Captain (See Va. Library Reports of Revolutionary Soldiers.) He was in Va. State Service not in the Continental line. We do not know when he was commissioned Colonel, but he is always spoken of in the Amherst County Records as "The well-known Colonel Ambrose Rucker".

In 1781-82 he was in Va. Assembly on "Committee of Propositions and Grievances". Just before the beginning of the Revolution War he was on the Committee of Safty and was also among the Colonal Justices in the House of Deligates Va., Dec. 30th, 1784. "Resolved that any person who has served in the army of the United States from the day of May 1779 until the close of the late war between America and Great Britain and who is possessed of a land warrant in his own right or by assignment before the King of Great Britain in the year 1763 may exchange the same with the register of the land office for a warrant agreeable to the resolution which warrant he shall be permitted to locate on any vacant land reserved by this assembly on the eastern side of the Ohio for the Officers and Soldiers of this Commonwealth on Continental Establishment".

By virtue of this warrant Colonel Ambrose Rucker was allowed 1420 acres of land. This warrant was given him for service 1755-1762 originally by the King of Great Britain and Exchanged for service in Revolution, which proved he served in both Colonial Military and Revolution.

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These records were found in the Richmond State Library Va. also Amherst County Records, Amherst Co. Va.

Verified by National Numbers.

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Colonel Ambrose Rucker was married twice; his first wife was Mary Clifton Hadley of Amherst Va.

His second wife was Mary Tinsley of Amherst Va. 1752. His children were Four Sons and Ten daughters.

(1 st wife)	Ruben Rucker	married	Margaret McDaniel
(2 nd wife)	Winifred	married	----- Pucket
	Margaret	married	----- McDaniel
	Molly	married	----- Burford
	Ambrose	married	Betsy Lucas
	Isaac	married	(1) Mary Higginbothan 1793
			(2) Mary Christian 1796
			(3) Mary Wingfield 1812
	Sophie	married	----- Jennnings
	Caroline	married	----- Hansford
	Betsy	married	James Marr
	Sallie	married	John Marr
	Benjamin	unmarried	
	Matilda	married	-----Marr

Frankey Lee -----

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Charlotte -----

Colonel Ambrose Rucker is said to have been 6 feet 6 inches tall and weighed 300 lbs.

Isaac and Mary Christian Rucker's Children were:

Henry Patterson Born 1797 Died 1855

Ambrose Jonathan Martha Edwin

Isaac William Benjamin

Henry Patterson Rucker married Judith Lee Glascock of Pittsylvania Co., Va., 1820. She died Nov. 11th, 1856. Their children were George Isaac, born Feb-14-1821, Samuel & Mary.

George Isaac Rucker married Matilda Ready Oct. 4-1843. He died Jan. 17-1883. His wife died May-22-1901. Children were:

Mary Lee born Oct- 13-1845 Died Jan-9-1849

Matilda born Jan-5-1849 Married Jephtha Howard Phillips Sept-14-71

Virginia Lee born Apr-27-1851 Married George A. Love Sept-16-1875

George William born Nov-12-1853 Married Carrie Duncan Nov-12-1879

All died before 1941

Children of Matilda R. and J. H. Phillips were: (He died Sept.15/40)

Althea Lee Phillips Married Charles E. Eckert Nov. 10-1892

Mary Love Phillips Married Hayes I. Gray Jan-1-1902, He died Aug. 6-1934

The only Child of Virginia Lee and George A. Love was Virginia Hazen Love born June-14-1890, Married Wilber McWilliams 1916 and died May 11-1934.

The only child of George and Carrie Rucker is Evelyn B. Rucker married to Andrew Hard Thompson 1909. Their only child Judith Lee, Married to Capt. Charles Kenneth Moore. Their children are Kenneth Hart, the twins Donald Leigh & Michael Lee.

The only child of Althea and Charles Eckert is Charles Rucker. Eckert married to Thelma Mitchell 1918. Their children are Robert Mitchell, Eleanor M. and Carl M.

Althea P. Eckert, Mary P. Gray and Judith Lee T. Moore are members of the Juliana White Chapter of the D.A.R. in Greenfield O.

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Evelyn R. Thompson is a member in San Antonio Texas. The family of George Isaac Rucker has been living in Greenfield Ohio since 1854.