

Sullivant/Brantley

*Research Sullivant - Brantley*

Recently we corresponded with Hugh Sullivan. He descends from Drury Sullivan/t who married Elizabeth Brantley. According to records there were 2 Elizabeth Brantley who married Sullivants. One record said that Elizabeth, dg of Robert Brantley (d 1795), married Wm Sullivant. Although I could see no reason to rule out Drury Sullivant as the Sullivant who married this Elizabeth, I had somewhat accepted the report since it was written many years ago by an experience researcher of Halifax County, NC.

Robert mentioned in his will dg Elizabeth Sullivant and her dg Mary who he left a slave. We have now learned from Mr Sullivan, that Drury's will of 1812 in Franklin Co, NC mentioned that his dg Mary (Polly) Sullivant had received slaves from her grandfather. Further, he names one of his slaves as Judes. Robert left slave Jude to dg Elizabeth Sullivant.

We are satisfied that Elizabeth, the dg of Robert Brantley, married Drury Sullivan/t not Wm Sullivan/t, as once reported.

This is a perfect example how coordinating facts between researchers and the Association can prove very productive. Now, Mr. Sullivan has resolved his Sullivan/Brantley connection and so have we identified the true husband of this Elizabeth and have thus identified more descendants of Grandfather Edward Brantley.