



The Tipton Family Association of America Newsletter

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President Comments

Hello Tipton Family, I hope everyone is happy and healthy.

The 2023 reunion/conference is only 5 1/5 months out, the hotel has been filling up with TFAA members and family. If you do not yet have your reservation please be sure to give them a call.

The reunion/conference agenda is being finalized and in that agenda plans are to take a field trip to the "TIPTON LANDS" and to have a picnic lunch on or near one of the properties. Several presentations will be held in the hotel conference room where we can get to know each other, learn more and have a bit of fun. Once the agenda is completed we will email it, post it on FB and our Website.

Many of our family want to attend the reunion/conference in Virginia but are unable to so because of the distance, so we are researching vendors that offer tour buses that can pick up in TN (Location TBD) and transported to Woodstock Va for a reasonable price per ticket. We will send out an email once the facts are confirmed.

As we have mentioned before there are many falsehoods out there and many pieces of incorrect information in family trees. Several things are happening: folks are finding a tree and copying it as their own and in fact the person they copied it from had incorrect information in theirs. I have spoken to people that take a family lore as gospel, when in fact some of the "facts" were watered down or built up. It's not only electronic data that is being taken as the facts; books are also in the mix. Please cross reference and follow up with a paper trail.

TFAA has been receiving inquiries as to how we came to use our current logo. I have been researching our records and have also been communicating with the College of Arms UK and so far the COA has sent me a general explanation of who receives a coat of arms. In a nutshell, it says a Coat of Arms is only issued to a

certain family member and his direct line. I sent them a copy of our logo and without further research they could not tell me anything. Nothing is electronic in the COA UK so they will need to search records. College of Arms UK will be working on the research and I will let you all know the findings.

Please share your family information, old pictures, bible entries, stories, marriage documents, news articles etc. with us as you may be holding a piece of paper that would help others unlock their family tree. My Cousin Faye Homyk shared a paper document with me that confirmed my GGG grandfather. I can tell you that information was an overwhelming blessing. Please share!

Tipton Teamwork!!!!

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NOTES FROM OUR RESEARCH DIRECTOR

CHARLOTTE'S TIPTON GENIE TIP

If It's in Print, Then, It's True!

No, no, no!

Just because you may find your ancestor in published documents doesn't mean that the information is correct. Why does that happen? Often records may reflect incomplete research, records may have been misinterpreted, or the sources of the information may have been inaccurate.

Evaluate the information you find by determining the creditability of the author, by evaluating the publication date and place of his information, and by determining the sources he used for his information. Does the author provide copies of the documents used in his publication, and/or does he cite where he got them?

Use the author's details as clues for your own research. If the author provides a list of his sources, search for them on-line. You may be surprised to find many of these original documents in Ancestry.com and FamilySearch.org.

Published family histories are also not always sources of good information. If you are using one or more of these sources, use the same criteria to evaluate them. A published family history is more creditable if the author wrote and published the history within the same time and place that the ancestor lived and that ancestor may have been personally known by the author.

As good as they are, our Tipton books, *We Tiptons and Our Kin*, and *Tipton, the First Five American Generations*, cannot be used as proof for membership in genealogical societies.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Tipton-Haynes

STATE HISTORIC SITE
2620 S. Roan St., Johnson City, TN

Tipton-Haynes Historical Association, Inc. Board Meeting

June 13 @ 6:00 pm - 9:00 pm

August 8 @ 6:00 pm - 9:00 pm

These meetings are open to the general public for attendance. Please contact the historic site for more information – tiptonhaynes@outlook.com or 423-926-3631.

Summers Past History Program

June 5-June 30

Participants ages 6-14 learn about their local history through historic-based crafts, games, music, storytelling, nature & the cave. First week- Native American History, second week- Revolutionary History, third week- Civil War History, and the fourth week will focus on the early 1900s. Each week is \$100 for non-members and \$90 for members. Sessions run 9-2, Monday through Friday. Aftercare available. Applications now available.



Tipton Family Association of America

Save the Date

Event: Tipton Family Association of America Annual Conference and Reunion
Date: **October 27, 28, and 29, 2023**
Location: Woodstock VA/Shenandoah Valley VA

This year's theme is:

Land, Labor and Lives of the Tiptons in Northern VA

TFAA has worked out a group rate with the Holiday Inn (Woodstock, VA)

See rates below and make sure to RESERVE your room ASAP. October is normally a busy month in the northern states due to leaf change season so hurry and don't miss out.

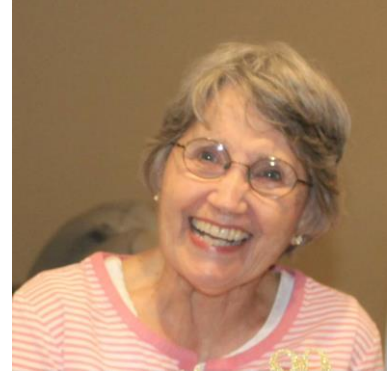
NEWS

Obituaries

Brenda Tipton Lieberman

June 16, 1940-April 15, 2023

Brenda Tipton Lieberman, 82, of Hilton Head Island, SC, went to be with her Lord on April 15, 2023. Brenda was born in Dalton, GA, on June 16, 1940, and went on to graduate from Dalton High School and the University of Georgia.



Brenda, who was rooted and grounded in Christ's love, served her Lord, her church, her family and her community. A longtime resident of Hilton Head Island, Brenda served on the Vestry of St. Luke's Church and was a leader and volunteer with Stephen Ministries. Brenda also loved studying and teaching God's word in Community Bible Study, including the Student Ministries and After School Kids programs on the island. She especially enjoyed volunteering and serving on the board at the Church Mouse Thrift Shop benefiting local ministries.

Brenda is survived by her loving husband of over 40 years, Richard Lieberman, along with her children and stepchildren: Catherine Loflin Hogewood (Mark), Charlotte Lieberman Rayburn (Eric), Steve Lieberman, David Lieberman, and Rick Lieberman (Esther), along with her five grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her beloved son, William Pierce Loflin, III.

A Memorial Service celebrating Brenda's life will be held at 11:00 AM on Tuesday, April 18, 2023, at St. Luke's Anglican Church at 50 Pope Avenue.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Church Mouse Thrift Shop at 78 Arrow Road, Hilton Head Island, SC 29928. Islandfuneralhome.com.

[submitted by Charlotte Rayburn]

FEATURES

Our Other Famous Tiptons

Part Three

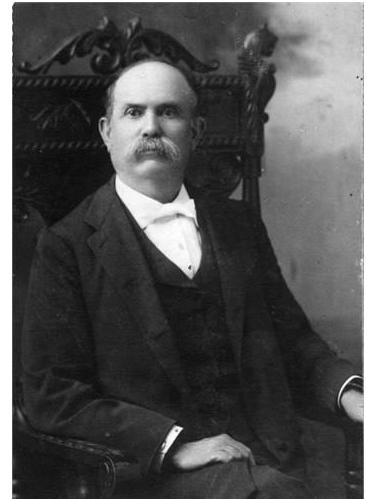
by David Etter

(Adapted from the presentation made on Sunday, October 9, 2022 for the TFAA Reunion/Conference)

For this third excerpt from our talk for the 2022 TFAA Reunion and Conference in Tennessee we will look at one more Tipton in public service and then Tiptons in the field of sports.

HENRY CLAY TIPTON (1840-1908)

Henry Clay Tipton was born on November 21, 1840, in Fayette County, Tennessee, to Isaac and Elizabeth (Anderson) Tipton. Though born in Tennessee, Henry was raised on a farm in DeSoto County, Mississippi. He graduated from Synodical College, LaGrange, Tennessee (sponsored by the Memphis Presbyterian Synod) in 1859 after which he taught school the next year. Then came the war. He enlisted in Company A, Tenth Mississippi Infantry, General J. R. Chalmer's Brigade in 1862.



Tipton saw action in some of the major battles of the war in Tennessee, Kentucky, and Georgia. He was a private and a hospital steward with General J. E. Johnston's forces when they were surrendered in April, 1865 near Greensboro, North Carolina. During the war he was wounded twice and captured once, after which he was paroled and then exchanged.

After the war, Tipton returned to DeSoto County, Mississippi and farming. But in 1871 he moved to Sharp County, Arkansas to farm and, later, to IZARD County where he began a mercantile business and taught school at La Cross.

From this time onward Henry became active in local and state politics as part of the Democrat Party. He was elected State Senator from the 23rd District in 1877, was re-elected in 1881 and served as president of the Arkansas State Senate during that term of office. Having been appointed by President Grover Cleveland to be Registrar of the United States Land Office, he moved his family to Harrison

in Boone County in 1885 and held that position for four years. After that he began a law practice in Harrison and, later, was elected mayor.

In 1895, Tipton was appointed receipt clerk in the office of the state treasurer, then deputy state treasurer in 1898. Upon the death of the current State Treasurer in 1901, he was appointed to fill that office, after which he was elected to the office and served in that position until 1907 when he retired from public office. During this period he had moved his family to Little Rock but moved to Batesville, Arkansas upon his retirement.

Still active in politics, he began a campaign to represent Independence County to the state legislature. But in early February, 1908, Tipton suffered a stroke that left him paralyzed. He died in the evening of March 9, 1908.

Henry Clay Tipton came from a family of eleven children. He married Alice Lawrason in January 1861. Eleven children came of this marriage of whom seven were still living at the time of his death.. Alice died in January 1905. Henry remarried to Mrs. Mildred Hinkle in December 1906.

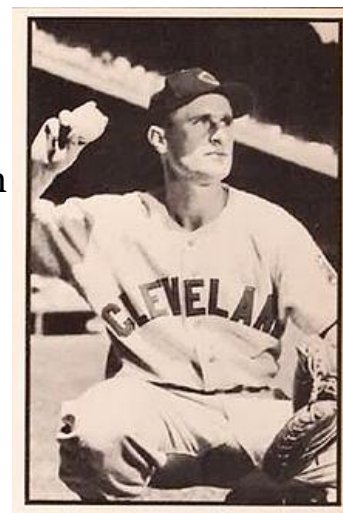
We know that Henry Clay Tipton's father was Isaac Tipton who was born in Tennessee and appears to have lived in Tipton County, Tennessee in 1830 but settled in Mississippi by about 1840. Charles D. Tipton in his volume, *Tipton: The First Five American Generations* (1998), makes the case on page 292 that Isaac was probably the son of John Tipton (ACE B) and his wife Sarah Murray Tipton and was born in northeast Tennessee and then raised to adulthood by Joseph Tipton, Jr. If that is the case, then we can trace Henry Clay Tipton's heritage as follows:

Genealogy of Henry Clay Tipton (1840-1908): Father, Isaac Tipton (1801-1853); Grandfather, John Tipton (1768-after 1801); Great Grandfather, Joseph Tipton (1738-1842); 2nd Great Grandfather, Jonathan II (1699-1799).

Sources: Arkansas Democrat (10 Mar 1908, p. 9), Daily Arkansas Gazette (10 Mar 1908, p. 2), Charles D. Tipton, Ancestry.com (including US census records), *A Reminiscent History of the Ozark Region* (1894)

JOSEPH HICKS “JOE” TIPTON (1923–1994)

Tipton was born in Copperhill, Tennessee on February 18, 1923 and raised in McCaysville, Georgia as the fifth of seven children. Tipton attended high school in Tennessee playing basketball and football. He moved to Shannon, Georgia in order to play baseball, beginning his career in the Textile League with Brighton Mills in 1938 and spending the next three years with the Talladega team. As a result, he was recruited by a scout from the Cleveland Indians organization who signed Tipton to a professional contract.



In the 1941 and 1942 baseball seasons Tipton played in several Indians minor league teams developing as a catcher and an outfielder with a solid batting average as well.

Before the 1943 season began, Tipton joined the United States Navy to serve in World War II. He served in the Pacific from 1943 to 1945 on the escort carrier *USS Kadashan Bay*. His ship was at Leyte, Okinawa and Iwo Jima, and he survived the kamikaze attack it experienced on January 8, 1945.

Tipton returned to the Cleveland Indians baseball organization in 1946. He was with the Harrisburg Senators of the InterState League that season then with the Wilkes-Barre team in 1947. Having converted to catcher full-time, he led the Eastern League with a .375 batting average. He joined the Indians in 1948, making his major league debut on May 2 and played 47 games, appearing in one game of the World Series against Boston.

Tipton was traded to the Chicago White Sox where he played in 67 games during the 1949 season and ended the year with a .204 batting average and three triples.

In October, 1949, the White Sox traded Tipton to the Philadelphia Athletics.



During the 1950 spring training he and three others competed for the starting job as catcher, but all three ended up splitting time over the course of the season. Tipton finished the year hitting .266 with six home runs and 20 RBIs in 64 games.

Tipton's 1951 season held promise, but in May he spent some time in hospital due to a head injury from the backswing of a

baseball bat and in August suffered a leg injury while guarding home plate (the runner was called “out”). Jimmy Dykes was the manager of the Philadelphia Athletics that season and related a story about Joe Tipton.

“That Tipton,” said Jimmy, “is a character. He drives Ted Williams nuts when we play Boston. Know what he does when Williams bats?,” Jimmy asked. He answered his own question in the same breath. “He sings. Sometimes it’s “Tennessee Waltz” and sometimes it’s “On Top of Old Smoky.” At other times he offers Ted advice on how to hit a baseball..”

Due to Tipton’s health issues in 1952 the Athletics waived him and he was picked up by the Indians and played for them for the rest of the season. After a poor season in 1953 due to numerous injuries, in 1954 he was traded to the Washington Senators in what to be his final season in major league baseball. Tipton spent some time in the minor leagues over the next few years. After retiring in 1958 he moved his family to Birmingham, Alabama where he ran an automobile dealership. He died there on 1 March 1994. In 2013 he was inducted into the Fannin County, Georgia Sports Hall of Fame.

Genealogy of Joseph Hicks Tipton (1923-1994): Father, Charles Burt Tipton (1887-1958); Grandfather, John Brown Tipton (1862-1936); Great Grandfather, Wiley J. Tipton (1834-1911); 2nd Great Grandfather, Joseph Tipton (1796-1880); 3rd Great Grandfather, Jonathan Tipton (1750-1833)

Sources: Wikipedia, baseball-reference.com, The Monroe News-Star (16 May 1951, p. 11), Chattanooga Daily Times (19 August 1951), Intelligencer Journal (28 September 1951), Ancestry.com, Social Security Death Index

ERIC GORDON TIPTON (1915–2001)



Eric Gordon Tipton (April 20, 1915 – August 29, 2001) was an outstanding athlete in both football and baseball during his high school and college years. He went on to play Major League Baseball for the Philadelphia Athletics and the Cincinnati Reds and then to a celebrated career of coaching both football and baseball.

Tipton was born to Arthur Lee and Bertha Lenora (Lee) Tipton on 20 April 1915 in Petersburg, Virginia and attended Petersburg High School. From high school he went to Duke University. In football he excelled as punter, a passer, and a runner. While at Duke the Blue Devils football team won 25 games and lost only four. Called the “Iron Dukes,” in the 1938 season playing a nine-game regular season they were undefeated, untied and unscored-upon before losing to Southern California at the Rose Bowl. Tipton excelled in baseball as well.

He is still credited with the longest home run ever hit at Duke. . . . His dual sport career has given him a few accolades. Eric Tipton is one of fifteen men who played major league baseball and was also inducted into the College Football Hall of Fame in South Bend, Indiana (he was inducted in 1965, with six other college football standouts). Of those fifteen, Tipton is in the top half in seasons (7) and games played (501). Others on this distinguishable list include the great Jim Thorpe, Bo Jackson, and the legendary Cal Hubbard, who has been inducted into the College Football Hall of Fame, the Pro Football Hall of Fame, and the Baseball Hall of Fame (as an umpire). Eric Tipton is in good company. (Mike Huber, “Eric Tipton,” Society for American Baseball Research)

Though Tipton was drafted to play for the Washington Redskins out of Duke, he chose to play professional baseball instead. He played outfield for the Philadelphia Athletics (1939–1941) and the Cincinnati Reds (1942–1945). His best seasons in the majors were in 1943 and 1944, when he had 142 hits and batted .288 in '43 and had 144 hits and batted .301 in '44.

During his off-seasons from baseball, Tipton coached football for William and Mary. In 1953 he was tapped by William and Mary to coach baseball. But in 1957 Tipton was named as the United States Military Academy’s baseball coach.

“Coach Tipton taught us a lot about the game of baseball,” remembers retired General Fred Franks, West Point Class of 1959. “We used situational drills, which I also took with me to the Army. Tipton believed that we would get better by playing in games. Batting practice was okay, but inter-squad games were better. Go all out. What would happen in certain situations? He would ask the fielders, ‘What are you gonna do with the baseball?’ Coach Tipton’s favorite saying was, ‘Fundamentals Win!’ I used this concept in the Army as a leader.” (Mike Huber)



Tipton also coached the Academy’s lightweight football team. In 20 seasons at West Point, his baseball teams were 234–201–5 and won three league titles. His lightweight football teams were 104–14–1 for a .878 winning percentage with 13 league titles.

For his athletic ability as a student Tipton was named to the Duke University Athletic Hall of Fame in 1976 in the second induction year. He joined the William & Mary Athletic Hall of Fame in 1989 after serving as a coach from 1939–1957 and, at the time, was one of few non-William & Mary graduation coaches inducted. Tipton was named to the Army Sports Hall of Fame (at the United States Military Academy) in 2005 in the second induction year; he was the first two-sport head coach honored at West Point. Tipton was inducted into the Virginia Sports Hall of Fame in 1978.

Tipton married Eva Gertrude Taylor in Williamsburg, Virginia, on February 18, 1942. “She went by her middle name and was affectionately known to the West Point community as Gert.” (Mike Huber) Upon retiring as coach at West Point, Tipton moved to the Williamsburg area.

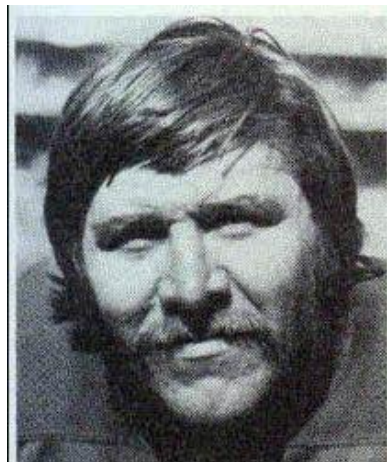
Eric Gordon Tipton died of heart failure on August 29, 2001, in Newport News, Virginia, at the age of 86. His 234 victories as Army skipper are still a record.

Genealogy of Eric Gordon Tipton (1915-2001): father, Arthur Lee Tipton (1880-1947); grandfather, John Wesley Tipton (1855-1910), great grandfather, William H. Tipton (1831-before 1880), 2nd great grandfather, Unknown

Sources: <https://sabr.org/bioproj/person/eric-tipton>, Ancestry.com, Wikipedia

DAVID LANCE TIPTON (b. 1949)

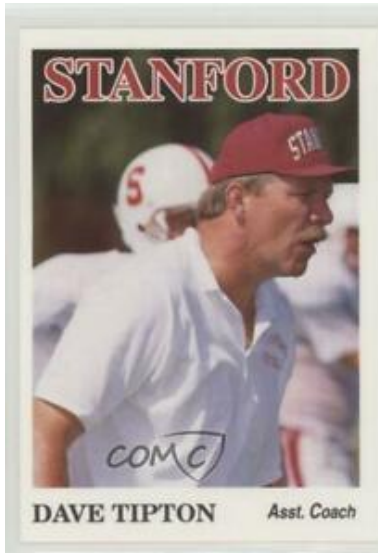
Dave Tipton, born 23 April 1949, in Hollister, California to John C. and Bethel Henrichs Tipton is a retired American professional football player and coach. Tipton attended San Benito (CA) High School and played defense for the football team. In college he continued playing defense first for the Gavilan Junior College in Gilroy, California, then for Stanford University during his junior and senior years there.



While at Stanford Tipton was on the defensive line that was nicknamed *The Thunderchickens*. “The legend of the **Thunderchickens**—the nickname given to the Stanford defensive line—had been hatched prior to the start of the season. Junior defensive end Pete Lazetich had been talking during the preseason about a motorcycle gang in Montana called the **Thunderchickens**. He also thought senior defensive lineman Dave Tipton ran like a chicken. Lazetich thought the nickname fit Tipton and the rest of the Indians' D-Line.” (Bill Connelly, What I Love) The Thunderchickens contributed in a major way to the upset of defeating previously unbeaten Ohio State University in the January, 1971 Rose Bowl by 27-17. Tipton himself had twelve tackles. He and two of his fellow defensive linemen went on to play in the NFL.

Upon graduating from Stanford with a Bachelor of Arts degree in political science in May of 1971 he began a six-year professional football career of three seasons with the New York Giants, two with the San Diego Chargers, and one with the new expansion team in Seattle, the Seahawks.

Tipton left professional football and began his career in coaching in 1977 as defensive line coach at United States International University in San Diego, California then moved to acting as defensive coordinator for San Diego high schools. During this time, he completed his Master of Arts degree in Education with an emphasis in Physical Education from Azusa Pacific University in August 1981. Tipton moved to the college level in 1984 coaching for four seasons with Cal State University at Fullerton and one at Oregon State University (1988).



Then in 1989 Tipton was hired as coach for the outside linebackers (1989-1991) at Stanford University, but then was moved to coaching the defensive line for three seasons (1992-94), recruiting coordinator and defensive interior line coach for seven campaigns (1995-2001), recruiting coordinator and coach for defensive tackles (2002-2004), and then back to defensive line coach for two seasons (2005-2006). All in all, Tipton's 18 seasons at Stanford is still the longest tenure of any coach at that school.

Not being rehired at Stanford for the 2006-2007 football season, Tipton looked for another avenue to use his skills and experience. He began a new career as a history teacher for St. Mary's High School in Stockton, California and as a defensive line coach for the school's football team at the recommendation of Tony Franks (who is still on the athletic staff as of May 2023) when a history teacher's position opened up. In 2014 Tipton was still teaching and coaching there.

"He's a great teacher, but he's also a very fiery guy and won't give an inch," Rams head coach Tony Franks said. "I think he takes a lot of the determination and competitiveness and fire that you have to possess when you play in the NFL. . . ."

"He's been tremendous. He's been great on our campus. The students love him," Franks said. "He's just got such a great, well-grounded approach to his teaching and his classroom demeanor, and our faculty loves him. . . ."

And Tipton, long after being an afterthought on his own high school team, playing half a decade in the NFL and making history with his longevity at Stanford, is just happy to continue a life in football. That's why he can only describe his path in one word.

"Lucky," he said with a smile. (Thomas Lawrence, *A Football Life*, recordnet)

Genealogy of David Lance Tipton (b. 1949): father, John Campbell Tipton (1910-2003); grandfather, John Franklin Tipton (1858-1928); great grandfather, Murray P. Tipton (1822?-1869), 2nd great grandfather, Unknown

Sources: Wikipedia, Ancestry.com, newspapers.com, <https://beckys-place.com/tipton.html>,
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<https://www.footballstudyhall.com/2011/8/7/2347474/what-i-love-the-stanford-thunderchickens>

MEMORIES AND TALES

[Many of us have stories to tell about Tipton family members that would be interesting to us all. We welcome all submissions, short or long.--ed.]

QUERIES

Caroline (Tipton) Miller <millerivan@comcast.net> has submitted a puzzle and a request for help in solving it. Perhaps our collective minds can make something out of it.

The Research Problem: Identify the Father of Lorenzo Dow Tipton (1830-1908)

What we know about the parentage of *Lorenzo Dow "L.D." Tipton (1830-1908)* is that

- His mother was *Fanny Rhyne (1812-1885)*, born in North Carolina in 1812.
- His father was born in Tennessee, likely in the range 1800-1812.
- His father was a **Tipton**, as confirmed by Y-DNA of a descendant 2nd great grandson.
- There were Tiptons in several Tennessee counties during the right timeframe. [See 1830 U.S. Federal Census – Tipton Families in Tennessee, for a complete list.]

No marriage records are extant for a Tipton/Rhyne union in the timeframe 1828-1830 in Tennessee, North Carolina or in Missouri, where our Lorenzo Dow Tipton was born 16 June 1830. No bastardy bonds have been found for a Tipton/Rhyne baby, either.

Y-DNA Trail

Y-DNA matches for **Jerry Stanley Tipton**, a great-great-grandson of L.D. Tipton (1830-1908), trace their Tipton lineage back to *Jonathan Tipton (1699-1779)*. This Jonathan had 5 alliances and 9 sons! His sons were born in Maryland and Virginia, but he did have grandsons born in Tennessee.

67 Marker DNA Matches

Of the ten exact 67-marker matches for Jerry, only three are Tiptons, although Jerry's DNA profile is the perfect Tipton model, according to the Tipton Surname Project manager at FamilyTreeDNA. A 67-marker match for Leland Herbert Tipton goes back to Jonathan through his son *Joseph (b. 1739)*; another exact match for Vern Jay Tipton follows the same path. Interestingly, a 67 marker exact match is to John Calvin Whitson, whose ancestor *William Whitson* died in Washington County, Tennessee in 1783, supporting the Tennessee connection.

1-off Matches Donald Derral Tipton and Thomas Kendall Tipton dead end at *Cesley Bryant Tipton (1828-1895)*, whose parentage is unproven, but believed to trace back to Jonathan Tipton (1752-~1848), son of Jonathan Tipton (1723-1803), grandson of Thomas Tipton (1693-1763). This line does not include Jonathan Tipton (1699-1779), just his brother Thomas.

Lemuel Ray Tipton has traced his lineage to William Hannibal Tipton (1772-1857), who was a grandson of Jonathan Tipton (1699-1779) through his son *Maj. Jonathan Tipton (1750-1833)*. Ronald Graham Tipton also goes back to Maj. Jonathan. Of the nine 1-off matches, six have the Tipton surname.

2-off Matches Of 16 men almost matching Jerry, ten are Tiptons, most claiming *Jonathan Tipton (1659-1757)*, the father of Jonathan Tipton (1699-1779), as their earliest known ancestor, if they have posted a family tree at all.

While there are more DNA matches at 3-off and more, *it seems clear that our Lorenzo Dow Tipton (1830-1908) is a likely descendant of Jonathan Tipton (1699-1779).*

Sons of Jonathan Tipton (1699-1779)

- **Edward Tipton (1728-1795)** was born in St. Paul's Parish, Baltimore County, Maryland, and died in Bedford County, Pennsylvania. His eight sons were born in Maryland and Pennsylvania. Of his grandsons, Eli Tipton (ca.1794-1864), son of Meshac Tipton (1759-1850) was born in Blount County, Tennessee, and married Peggy Walker there in 1814. Eli's son Edward (1815-1871) is the only male in this family of an age to fit the criteria for Fanny's husband, and he would be three years younger than she. Unlikely match. He married Charity Lewis in 1835 in Mississippi and was in Texas by the 1840s.
- **Col. John Tipton (1730-1813)** was born in Baltimore County, Maryland, and died in Washington County, Tennessee, arriving in October 1782. His ten sons were born in Virginia, but most of his grandsons were born in Washington County, Tennessee. His sons were too old to fit the criteria for Fanny's husband, and his older grandsons were mostly dead or married by the mid-1820s, with children too young to be suspects. However, his son **Col. Jonathan Tipton (1776-1858) died in Monroe County, Tennessee**, a particular place of interest. This line is the most promising of the descendants of Jonathan Tipton (1699-1779) in meeting the age and birthplace criteria I have identified.
- Little is known of **Jonathan Tipton (1734- ????)** who was dead before 1750, when another brother was born and named Jonathan. He is unlikely to have progeny.
- **Capt. Joseph Tipton (ca. 1738-ca.1842)** was born in Baltimore County, Maryland and died in Warren County, Tennessee. His three oldest sons were born in Virginia, but Benjamin (ca. 1780-ca. 1847) and Stephan (1781-1867) were born in Washington County, Tennessee, establishing the family in the area by 1780.
Grandsons born in Tennessee in the proposed timeframe:
 - * Isaac (1801-1853), son of John (1769-ca. 1843); he married in 1822 and was in Mississippi by 1840
 - * James (ca. 1804-????), Benjamin (ca. 1808-ca. 1847), William A. (1813-1869), sons of Joseph Jr. (ca.1774-ca. 1839). Nothing is known of James and Benjamin Tipton. William married in 1839 in Obion County, Tennessee and died in Lake County, Tennessee (which is just across the Mississippi River from the "boot" of Missouri).
 - * Jonathan (1802-after 1868) and Isaac (ca.1811-????), sons of Stephan Tipton (1781-1867) Jonathan married before 1819 and his sons were too young to consider as possible fathers in 1830. Isaac married Jane; little information found about him.**Two exact DNA-matches at 67 markers point to this line.** I see no "smoking guns".
- **William Tipton (1738-1798)** had four sons born in Virginia. His grandsons were born in Virginia and Georgia.
- **Maj. Jonathan Tipton (1750-1833)** was born in Virginia and died in Kentucky, but had sons born in Tennessee. His oldest son, Samuel (ca. 1772-1861) settled in Kentucky, where his children were born. William Hannibal (1772-1857), John J. (1775-1843) did the same. Son David (1778-ca.1840) lived in North Carolina, where his children were born, as did sons

Jonathan (1783-bef.1850), Wiley (1785-1860) and Jacob (1791-aft.1850). None of the sons or grandsons match the criteria to be L.D.'s father.

- Of Jonathan's (1699-1779) sons, only **James** is an unknown. Born about 1756, probably in Frederick County, Virginia, his spouse, family progeny and death are not known.

The Monroe County, Tennessee Connection

Fanny never lived in Tennessee, but she had two sets of relatives who did. **Fanny's Aunt Hanna Rhyne married John Ludwig Clemmer in 1803; they moved to Monroe County, Tennessee in 1827.** That move is the vital link to Tennessee for Fanny. In 1830, the Clemmers lived a few miles north of Madisonville near Brakebill, up the road from **Wiley B Tipton** in Division 67, Monroe County, Tennessee. Wiley B. Tipton was a married son of Col. Jonathan Tipton, and a grandson of Col. John Tipton. The neighbors would have known each other.

Hanna's brother Philip Rhyne and his first wife Catherine Totherow Rhyne went to Monroe County at the same time as the Clemmers. In the **1830** U.S. Federal Census for Regiment 67, Monroe County, Tennessee, **Fanny's Uncle Philip "Rhine" lived just eight households from Col. "Jonathan" Tipton, grandson of Jonathan Tipton (1699-1779) through Col. John Tipton (1730-1813).** This is the right Y-DNA line. If Fanny visited her Aunt and Uncle, she could have met her Tipton there. Lorenzo Dow Tipton (1830-1908), her son, would have been conceived about October 1829.

The 1830 census establishes that Fanny's Uncle was a close neighbor of Col. Jonathan Tipton.

Monroe County, Tennessee is where Col. Jonathan Tipton's family lived in 1830. Monroe is next to Blount County, on the border with North Carolina. *Col. Jonathan Tipton (1776-1858)*, moved to Monroe County sometime around 1827 and settled at "Eve's Mill". He represented Monroe County in the legislature for the years 1827 and 1829 and was well known in the area.

Col. Jonathan had six sons born in Tennessee who were older than Fanny, whom she might have become infatuated with, plus several more just a little younger than she was. One son was named **Lorenzo Dow Tipton (1810-1894)**. Having the same name is not enough to mark him as L.D.'s father, but it is enough to make you wonder. He is the right age, born in the right state, and of the right DNA line to be L.D.'s father, but there is no indication they really ever met. The evidence is all circumstantial. However, there is an autosomal **DNA link** between the 3rd great-granddaughters of this Lorenzo Dow Tipton, and the 2nd great-granddaughters of our Lorenzo Dow Tipton.

In the 1830 U.S. Federal Census for Monroe County, Tennessee, Jonathan Tipton had 3 sons between 10 and 15, 1 between 15-19, 1 between 20-30, and one male 50-60 in his household, plus 1 girl between 5 and 10, 1 between 20 and 30, and 1 female between 50 and 60.

Sons of Col. Jonathan Tipton (1776-1858)

1. Jonathan's oldest son, **John Butler Tipton (1797-1873)**, lived in Monroe County, Tennessee in 1830. He was married, with a daughter 5-10, and two sons and a daughter under 5 years of age.
2. Son **E. W. (Edmund Williams) Tipton (1799-1865)** was living in Giles County, Tennessee in 1830. He had married in 1824.
3. Jonathan's son **William Blount "Wiley" Tipton (1801-1880)** was listed as head of his own household in Monroe County's 1830 census; he had married in 1827 and had a son and a daughter under 5. (This is the Wiley B. Tipton who lived somewhat near to the Clemmers.)

These married sons of Jonathan are unlikely to have been involved with Fanny Rhyne, who was just 17 years old in 1829.

4. **Lorenzo Dow Tipton (1810-1894)** was still at home in 1830 – he would be the son 20-30, being 20 years old. He became a Baptist preacher.
5. **Pleasant Madison Tipton (1812-1875)** was the son 15-19. His first marriage was 1832. (There is confusion in records between Pleasant Marion Tipton, Pleasant Madison Tipton and Pleasant M. Tipton. None of these marriages was in Monroe County.)
6. The three younger boys 10-15 were **Elbridge Garry Tipton (1814-1843)**, **Jonathan Caswell Tipton (1816-1896)**, and **Quincy Adams Tipton (1819-1900)**.

Lorenzo Dow Tipton would have been 19 or 20 in 1829, and Fanny was 17, too young to legally marry without parental permission. Fanny's family was enumerated in 1830 in Lincoln County, North Carolina. If she met Lorenzo Dow, it would have been while she was visiting her Uncle Philip. No pre-1838 Monroe County marriage records are extant, so no trace remains of a possible marriage or its dissolution. Probate records 1819-1835 were also lost to fire. Most illegitimate children were given their mother's surname at birth, but Fanny's son was always named Tipton. *The surname and the DNA confirm a Tipton connection.*

Rev. Lorenzo Dow Tipton (1810-1894) married twice -- once in 1831 in Monroe County, and again in 1862 in Bradley County, Tennessee. He had a large family of 16 children, but none of his six sons were named after him. It could be that his namesake already existed, in our Lorenzo Dow Tipton (1830-1908).

Autosomal DNA Connections

A daughter of Rev. Lorenzo Dow Tipton and his wife Emily Thompson (1815-1856), **Sarah Septema Tipton (1853-1899)**, married William Sampson Raulston (1853-1898) in 1886. One of their daughters, **Flora Gertrude Raulston (1891-1969)** married Dexter William Killingsworth (1886-1925). Their son **William Dexter Killingsworth (1917-1981)** and his wife Grace Verna Harvey (1918-2014) had at least three daughters, Margaret Laverne (b. 1942), Maureen Annette (b. 1943) and Karen Kathleen Killingsworth (b. 1945). According to AncestryDNA, M.S. [Margaret Killingsworth Sherbert] and Jerry's sister Caroline Tipton Miller could be half 3rd cousins 1x removed through Lorenzo Dow Tipton (1810-1859). They share 82 cM (1%) of their DNA. Margaret is the sister of Maureen Ryon, who is also a 3rd great-granddaughter of the Rev. L.D. Tipton, and shares 67 cM (1%) of her DNA with Caroline. Caroline's sister and three cousins also match the Killingsworth sisters. These DNA links are our best leads to the Rev. L.D. as the father of our 2nd great-grandfather L.D. Tipton.

Factors that support Rev. Lorenzo Dow Tipton (1810-1894) being the Father:

1. Born in Tennessee
2. Right age
3. Right bloodline (DNA)
4. Possible proximity during the right timeframe
5. Same name
6. Unmarried in 1829/30
7. No sons named after him with other two wives

Contraindications

1. No marriage records
2. No family stories extant
3. No Bible entry for L.D.'s father

4. Distance – it is roughly 260 miles between Lincoln County NC and Monroe County TN

Per Jim Robeson, the DNA expert for *Monterey County Genealogy Society*, “The rules say that you need to do the genealogy work after the DNA points the way.

... you will find there are many possible ways to connect to these sisters. They have one set of parents, so there is only one way from you to them. Find other DNA matches to them that triangulate to you and trace their tree too.

You can't connect formally to him without paper. ...”

Unfortunately, five generations of Tiptons have failed to find a paper trail identifying the father of our L.D. Tipton. The DNA links are tantalizing hints to who might be Fanny's first love.



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