Augusta County Historical Society Acc #515 John Lewis Charts and Related Papers 1678-1762 (1962)

Size: 2 folders

Scope & Content

This collection contains three detailed charts of descendants of John Lewis, an early settler of Augusta County and regarded as the founder of Staunton, Virginia.

Also included are papers related to the dedication of the John Lewis monument held in 1962. Several newspaper articles relating the life of John Lewis and the celebration are also a part of the collection.

Historical/Biographical Note

John Lewis was born in Donegal County, Ireland in 1678. In 1715 he married Margaret Lynn. He came to America in 1728. In 1732 John Lewis and his family moved to Augusta County. He first located on the left bank of Middle River, which was then called Carthrae/Cathey's River. He later moved to Lewis Creek and built a stone house then known as Fort Lewis. That building is no longer standing but a log building that he erected later still stands. John Lewis died February 1, 1762.

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Organization/Arrangement

Folder 1: (1) three charts of John Lewis descendants (2) copy of remarks made by Irvin Frazier at Staunton, VA on May 30, 1962 (3) program of John Lewis Memorial Celebration (4) will of John Lewis 1761

Folder 2: four newspaper articles related to the life of John Lewis and the Memorial Celebration

Miscellaneous