

## A Small Family

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This Is an on going journey, so please contact me about any errors or corrections, I appreciate all the help I get. I apologize for the lack of some sources, when I tried to change to a new program some sources were so messed up I just deleted them.

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- *ID:* I00356
- *Name:* William Nicholas Sr. McClelland
- *Sex:* M
- *Title:* Sr.
- *Birth:* 1700 in County Antrim, Ireland
- *Death:* 1778 in Rowan County, North Carolina
- *Event:* Will Proven 1778 Will proven Rowan County, North Carolina.
- *PROP:* Had land survey made in what is now North Carolina.
- *PROP:* 1761 Received Granville Grant in Rowan County, North Carolina.
- *Reference Number:* 356
- *Note:*

According to Karla Nicholson an article by W. Watts (a distant cousin), the families migrated to North Carolina in 1766, but of course we know that Sarah married

Phillip McConnell in Rowan County in 1763. Another record shows the McClelland's coming to North Carolina in 1763 and yet another shows William as a newcomer buying land on a deed dated November 6, 1760 or 1763 on the south branch of Fourth Creek. The McClelland's seem to have come to Pennsylvania first from Northern Ireland. It seems that our William's daughter Mary married William Stevenson and was the first of the family to emigrate to North Carolina. The McClelland clan soon followed. Her husband William was born in 1725 in Ulster (County Antrim) Ireland and came to Washington County, Pennsylvania in 1748 where he met and married Mary. It is highly likely that William McClelland married Mary Ross in Ireland and came to Pennsylvania between 1725 and 1748. One report says that their oldest son John was born in Ireland in 1725 and married a Martha ----- in Ireland before emigrating. Another report says that daughters Mary and Elizabeth were born in Ireland. If true, then it is likely that all the children, including our Sarah were born in Ireland. The McClelland's were prosperous farmers and soon had a fairly well established farm growing corn, wheat, oats, hay, flax, potatoes, cotton, fruit and vegetables and possibly tobacco. They also used slave labor. William Stevenson was nicknamed "Little Gabriel" and seems to have been quite a figure in Iredell County. Several of his and Mary's grandchildren left North Carolina for Kentucky and later Illinois Their 3rd great grandson was Adlai Stevenson who ran for president against Eisenhower and is thus a distant cousin of ours.  
Courtesy of Marjorie Wolf

# HIST: "William McLelland was at the battle of Cowan's Ford and was captured near Shepherd's Cross Roads and is supposed to have died in prison. That was in February 1781, and Cornwallis surrendered at Yorktown, Virginia in October, 1781, but nothing was heard of William McLelland after his capture. He was the father of "Saddler" John McLelland." from "History of Concord Church, Iredell County., North Carolina (1775-1913)" by S.W. Stevenson, MD of Mooresville.  
# HIST: Published by by Brady Printing, Statesville, Iredell County, North Carolina 1913

*Father:* [Nicholas McClelland](#) b: 1675 in Ireland

*Marriage 1* [Mary Ross](#) b: 1703 in County Antrim, Ireland

- *Married:* 1725 in County Antrim, Ireland

- *Married*: 1734 in Rowan County, North Carolina

## Children

1. [Agnes McClelland](#) b: 1730 in County Antrim, Ulster Province, Ireland
2. [Mary McClelland](#) b: 1730 in County Antrim, Ulster Province, Ireland
3. [Martha McClelland](#) b: 1738 in County Antrim, Ulster Province, Ireland
4. [Elizabeth McClelland](#) b: 1740 in County Antrim, Ulster Province, Ireland
5.  [John Sr. McClelland](#) b: 1740 in County Antrim, Ulster Province, Ireland
6.  [Sarah McClelland](#) b: 1743 in County Antrim, Ulster Province, Ireland
7.  [Jane McClalland](#) b: 1747 in County Antrim, Ulster Province, Ireland
8.  [William Jr. McClelland](#) b: 1748 in Chester County, South Carolina
9. [Rachel McClelland](#) b: 1749 in Pennsylvania
10. [Rebecca McClelland](#) b: 1755 in Rowan County, North Carolina

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