Some Other North Carolina Putmans

There was a **RANDAL** or **RANDEL PUTMAN** listed as serving in the North Carolina Militia in 1772. In 1785, Randel Putman is listed as being deceased and having a son named John.

John, as the heir of Randel Putman, is shown as receiving a Land Warrant for 640 acres for his father's service in the North Carolina Line during the Revolution. The date of this Warrant is September 30, 1785. John promptly sold this land on October 20, 1785 to a John Hannah or Hammon.

I have not a clue as to who Randel Putman is. The fact that his son John immediately sold the land would indicate that he never moved there or intended to live there. Likewise I have no idea who John was or where he lived. They may, in fact, have been descended from the Joshua Putman who was in Pitt County in 1763, and not heard from again.

In North Carolina Colonial Records, there is a listing in Volume 17, page 240 of Army Pay record for **STEPHEN PUTNAM.** A listing of Warrenton, Warren County (formed from Bute) Settlements number 1958 is Stephen Putnam for service in the North Carolina Line in the amount of 186 pounds and change received by William Faircloth. This would be for colonial service prior to the American Revolution. Again, no idea, but this was the same area Thomas, John and Benjamin Putman all lived. The name Stephen has not appeared in the family up to that date so I have no clues as to who he might be.

The 1771 Tax lists for Franklin/Warren/Vance (FWV) counties list Benjamin Putman, Thomas Putman and John son of Thomas Putman. Stephen was possibly a part of this overall family being from the same area. As he disappears, I assume he was killed in the fighting, like Randel.

In the 1870 North Carolina Census of Hertford County, we find two brothers living with the family of James Britt born in Virginia in 1829 and his wife Cornelia Britt born in Virginia in 1835. She might or might not be their sister. This County is way northeast and just below the Virginia border. I do not find them before or afterwards. These two were:

WILLIAM A. PUTMAN born in Virginia in 1845. J. D. PUTMAN born in Virginia in 1846.