

**ROBERT BAILIFF SON OF THOMAS BAILIFF AND ELIZABETH BAKER MOVED  
HIS FAMILY FROM CHATHAM COUNTY NORTH CAROLINA TO CHRISTIAN  
COUNTY KENTUCKY ABOUT 1819**

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The big question is why did **ROBERT BAILIFF** make this move to **CHRISTIAN COUNTY, KENTUCKY** ?

**ELIZABETH BAKER BAILIFF'S** father **THOMAS BAKER SR.** is deceased 1793 in Orange County, North Carolina. Her mother [name not known at this time] is deceased before **THOMAS BAKER SR.** dies. **ELIZABETH** has four brothers: **THOMAS JR., JOHN, JAMES** and **ROBERT BAKER.** She has one sister **NANCY GREGASON.**

In the 1810 Hopkinsville Twp, Christian County, Kentucky, census appears three of **ELIZABETH'S** brothers: **THOMAS BAKER JR., ROBERT BAKER** and **JOHN BAKER.** **ELIZABETH'S** brother **JAMES** remained in Orange County, North Carolina.

The obituary of **THOMAS BAILIFF** second son of **ROBERT BAILIFF** [**ROBERT** son of **THOMAS BAILIFF SR.** and **ELIZABETH BAKER**] indicates that **THOMAS BAILIFF** was born in 1820 in Christian County, Kentucky. The 1850, 1870 and 1880 censuses all state that **THOMAS** was born in Kentucky. **THOMAS BAILIFF** is the child of **ROBERT BAILIFF** and **NANCY ANNA BUCKNER.** The oldest child of **ROBERT** and **ANNA** is **EDWIN BAILIFF** born in Chatham County, North Carolina, in 1819. This strongly suggest that **ROBERT BAILIFF** moved his family from Chatham County, North Carolina, to Christian County, Kentucky in 1819. He probably made this move because he wanted to be near his uncles on the **BAKER** side of the family.

**ROBERT BAILIFF** probably had three children in Christian County, Kentucky. These children were **THOMAS BAILIFF** in 1820, **WILLIAM BAILIFF** in 1821 and **SUSAN JANE BAILIFF** in 1823. The 1850 census establishes that **ANDREW BAILIFF** [5<sup>th</sup> child] was born in Tennessee [probably Smith County] in 1824. The above information establishes that the **ROBERT BAILIFF** and **NANCY ANNA BUCKNER** family lived in Christian County, Kentucky, from 1819 to 1823/24.