

## **Group 13 – Beaufort Co., NC**

**Joseph Tobitha Bland**[\[Family #8\]](#)(ca 1826 - ) of Beaufort Co., NC married Margaret \_\_\_\_\_. See: AC15/17, pp. 88-113; AC18, pp. 127-128.

DNA participant in this group is:

**Kit # 106065**(Also a member of the Burroughs DNA Project)

William Eugene Bland did not match the other Blands in the DNA Project, but he found a 65/67 match in the Burroughs Family DNA Project and has also become a member of that DNA Project. While not yet fully proven, James Henry Bland's (1851) birth father might have been Frank Burroughs. James was raised by Joseph Tobitha Bland as his son, but James worked with Frank Burroughs later in life. Since James (1851) was raised by Joseph (1826) as his son and given the Bland name, this line is linked to both the Bland and Burroughs lineages by this event in history. There is speculation that Joseph T.'s other children were his natural children. If so, and if male descendants of James Henry's brother, John Bland (ca 1857-1934) can be located, it is possible that Joseph Tobitha Bland's true DNA could be ascertained.