

# Snidow Artifacts & Ancestors' Photographs

Thanks to Jim Yarbrough of Winston/Salem, NC for sharing these wonderful childhood photographs of his mother, Anne Snidow Yarbrough and his grandfather, William H. Snidow (1868-1919). Their Snidow lineage:

1. Col. Christian Snidow, 1760-1836, m. Mary Burk, 1762-1825, dau. of Thomas and Clara Frazier Burk (headstones shown below).
2. William Henry Snidow, 1798-1866, m. Adeline Chapman, 1812-1872.
3. John Chapman Snidow, 1839-1876, m. Nannie Eliza Hoge (see their daughter's photograph further down the page).
4. William Henry Snidow (childhood photo below), 1868-1920, m. Florence Croft.
5. Annie Lois Snidow (baby picture below), m. Ernest Yarbrough.

Left to right: Anne Snidow Yarbrough, Anne Snidow Yarbrough as a young girl, William Henry Snidow, Anne Snidow Yarbrough



Nannie Hoge Snidow



John Chapman Snidow



This clock belonged to John Chapman and Nannie Eliza Hoge Snidow. It has a Greek Revival Style case made of rosewood. And the movement is stamped August 30, 1870. It is an eight-day key wind movement, and strikes on the hour. From a question-and-answer column in a newspaper

about this type of clock: E. N. Welch Manufacturing Company (Forestville CT.) was the name used from 1864 to 1903 by the firm founded by Elisha Welch. Clocks like this were popular about 1900.

Shown below is the percussion rifle which belonged to John Chapman Snidow of Giles County, VA. The stock is of black walnut, and the decoration is white brass. The barrel is browned rather than blued like modern weapons, and on top of the barrel is stamped "Wm. B. and C. Fisher, Lynchburg VA. Warranted". The Lynchburg Library has a copy of The History of S. O. Fisher, Inc. an internship paper written by Dawn K. Martin, a Mary Baldwin College student, dated September 8, 1981. According to this paper, the S. O. Fisher Company dates from 1828 and was dissolved in the early 1970's. Wm. B Fisher died in 1866, and Cyrus, his brother died in 1872. Presumably, this dates the rifle earlier than 1866. John Chapman Snidow served in Co. B, 51st VA Infantry in 1863.





Florence Snidow Hoge in the old parlor at Wheatland.  
Exterior view of Wheatland below:

Florence Eliza Snidow Hoge William Henry Snidow (b.1868)  
& sister Florence Eliza (b.1872)



*Winter at "Wheatland"*

And thanks to John & Jean Snidow of Hardy, VA for sharing these photographs of the Burks headstones and Col. Christian Snidow's original headstone. Judging by the old truck in the picture below, these pictures were probably taken in the early 1900s?? They're quite clear, considering...



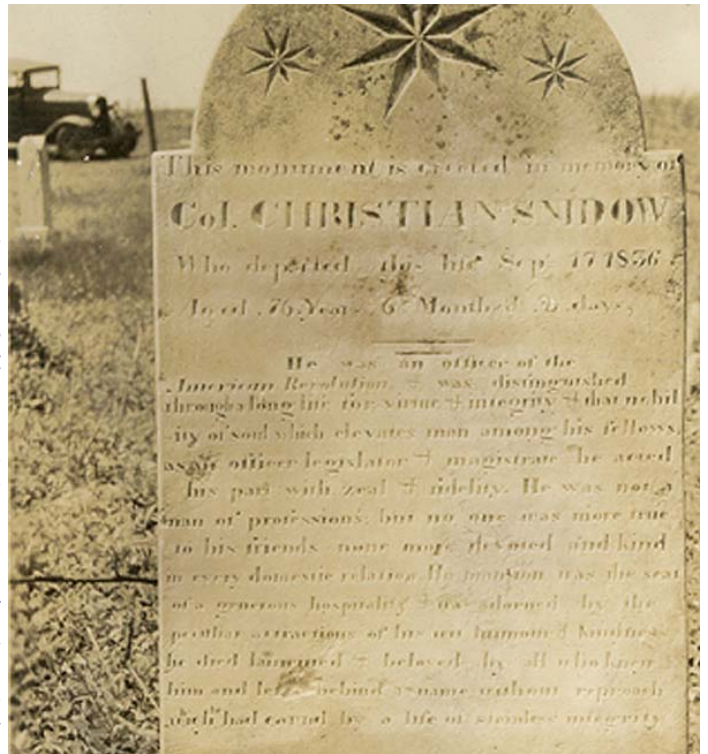


**Col. Christian Snidow's original headstone** - broken in half by a falling tree in recent years and replaced at a ceremony in August 2003.

Here is a close-up photograph of the original headstone....

"This Monument is erected in Memory of Col. Christian Snidow Who departed this life September 17, 1836 Age 76 Years, 6 Months & 2 Days

He was an officer of the American Revolution & was distinguished through a long life for virtue & integrity & that nobility of soul which elevates man among his fellows as an officer, legislator & magistrate. He acted his part with zeal & fidelity. He was not a man of profession but no one was more true to his friends, none more devoted and kind in every domestic relation. His mansion was the seat of a generous hospitality & was by the peculiar attraction of his wit, humour & kindness. He died lamented and beloved by all who knew him & left behind a name without reproach which he had earned by a life of stainless integrity."



HORSESHOE FARM, Pembroke, Virginia



This is a digital image of a hand-colored photograph of a landscape painting of the Horseshoe Farm. This photograph was hand-colored by Patricia Neaves Yarbrough, daughter-in-law of Anne Snidow Yarbrough. Our best information is that the original painting was done by an itinerant artist before the Civil War, and hung in the upstairs hall of the house. The original painting is still in the Snidow family to the best of our knowledge.