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**Elizabeth Lucas Sheetz Little Trussell Papers**  
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**EXTENT:** .42 linear feet

**DATE:** 1806-1981

**EXISTENCE AND LOCATION OF COPIES:** Photographs in this collection have been digitized and are available to view online through the Past Perfect online database: <http://handley.pastperfectonline.com/>

**SCOPE AND CONTENT:** This collection includes application forms for the United Daughters of the Confederacy and the Daughters of the American Revolution, as well as genealogical information on the Osbourne, Mackenzie/McKinny, Rush, Lucas, and Koontz/Coontz/Cooch families.

**BIOGRAPHICAL/HISTORICAL:** Elizabeth S. Lucas Sheetz Little Trussell was born September 1, 1911 at Elmwood Farm in Shepherdstown, WV, and was daughter of Rion and Cora Osbourn Lucas. She taught in Frederick County, and then worked as a clerk for the Frederick County School Board for 40 years, retiring in 1974. She was married to Harold C. Sheetz Jr. (d. 1974), Henry M. Little (d. 1984), and Robert L. Trussell (d. 1989). She died on June 6, 2010 at the age of 98.

**BIBLIOGRAPHY:** Elizabeth L. Trussell Obituary, Winchester Star, June 8, 2010

**IMMEDIATE SOURCE OF ACQUISITION:** Gift of Elizabeth Lucas Sheetz Little Trussell.

**CONTAINER LIST:**

**BOX 1**

Awards, 2 items

Diploma – Abraham Shepherd, July 7, 1806, written in Latin, college unknown

Membership Certificate -- United Daughter of the Confederacy, Elizabeth Shepherd Lucas Sheetz Jr., June 24, 1938, 1 leaf, printed

**Physical Location: Oversize, Box 4**

DAR Application – Lt. Edward Lucas by E. L. S, no date, 3 pages, printed and manuscript

DAR Application and correspondence – William Osbourn by Cora Osbourn Lucas, 1939-1940, 3 pages, 6 leaves, printed, typescript, and manuscript.

Correspondence:

“To expedite our office work...” short form, May 11, 1939

“To expedite our office work...” short form, July 25, 1939

Letter from Isabelle C. Nason (Registrar General to the DAR) to Cora May Lucas, March 20, 1939, 1 leaf, typescript

Letter from Isabelle C. Nason to Cora May Lucas, May 11, 1939, 1 leaf, typescript

Letter from Cora May Osbourn Lucas to Mrs. Frank L. (Isabelle C.) Nason, May 25, 1939, 1 leaf, typescript

Letter from Isabelle C. Nason to Cora May Lucas, October 18, 1940, 1 leaf, typescript

UDC Applications – James B. Lucas and George W. Osbourn by Elizabeth Shepherd Lucas Sheets, 2 pages, 2 leaves, printed, manuscript

Coontz Genealogical Notes – 3 pages, manuscript, 6 leaves, typescript

“Ch. of Admiral Robert E. Coontz of Benton,” 1 leaf, manuscript

“Coontz Genealogy,” 2 leaves, typescript

“Extract from Admiral R.E. Coontz’s Letter,” 1 leaf, typescript

“Ch. of Benton Coontz of Rezin,” 1 leaf, manuscript

“Ch. of Rezin Coontz of Eliz. Lucas Coontz,” 1 leaf, manuscript

“Koontz – Coontz,” 1 leaf, typescript

Letter to Mrs. Edward Webb Cooch, April 20, 1942, 1 leaf, typescript

Early Lucas Ancestors in England, collected by William Alexander Lucas, 5 leaves, typescript

Lucas – Earliest Authentic English Ancestry, 9 leaves typescript and printed

Lucas, Charles C. – Family group records and notes, 2 leaves, manuscript, 10 leaves, typescript

Lucas Family Tree with photograph of Catherine Shepherd Lucas (no date) – 1 item, manuscript, 1 leaf of photographs (photocopy)

Lucas Graveyard – list of interments, 4 leaves, mimeograph

Lucas Family Genealogical Notes, Part 1 – (includes the Confederate Service Record of James B. Lucas), 5 pages, manuscript, 5 leaves, manuscript, 14 leaves, typescript

Lucas Family Genealogical Notes, Part 2 – 5 leaves, typescript, 6 leaves, manuscript, 15 pages, manuscript

Lucas Genealogy, dedicated to Mrs. Rion Lucas and Frank Hayward Kincaid, 113 leaves, typescript

Mackenzie/McKinney Family Notes, 3 leaves, manuscript, 15 leaves, typescript, 2 pages, typescript

Miscellaneous Genealogy -- Correspondences concerning genealogies of miscellaneous families – Genealogy Notes, 15 pages, manuscript, 14 leaves, manuscript, 3 leaves, typescript, 1 printed item, 2 news articles

Osbourn Family Genealogical Notes, 11 pages, manuscript, 4 leaves, typescript, 12 leaves, manuscript, 3 leaves, printed

Church Hill Cemetery Association, July 26, 1920, 1 leaf, print and manuscript  
Church Hill Cemetery Association, bill for "Mr. Gorge Osborn," no date, 1 leaf, print and manuscript  
Letter to Mrs. Lucas concerning Osbourn family, May 10, 1945, 4 pages, manuscript  
Enlistment information on Geo. W. Osbourn, 1 leaf, manuscript  
Letter to Mrs. Alice O. Reinhart from A.D. Hiller, August 23, 1938, 1 leaf, typescript  
Letter from Alice O. Reinhart to Bureau of Pensions Office, November 8, 1936, 1 leaf, manuscript  
Letter from Alice O. Reinhart and Emma K. Osbourn to Veterans Administration, April 5, 1936, 1 leaf, manuscript  
Letter to Alice O. Reinhart from E.W. Morgan, December 9, 1929, 1 leaf, typescript and manuscript  
Letter to Alice O. Reinhart from A.D. Hiller, April 14, 1937, 1 leaf, typescript  
Letter to Adjutants General's Office, February 26, 1938, 1 leaf, manuscript  
Letter to Emma K. Osbourn from Scott R. Wagner, February 15, 1938, 1 leaf, manuscript  
"Osbourne – Vol XI – No. 1," 1 leaf, manuscript  
Enlistment information (Civil War) on Geo. W. Osbourn, Co. D, 12<sup>th</sup> Virginia Cavalry, 1 leaf, manuscript  
"Mary Osbourn, my true and loving wife..." 1 leaf, manuscript  
Will of David Osbourne, 4 pages, manuscript copy  
Will of William Osbourne, 3 pages, manuscript copy  
"Osbourne, Thos.", from Abstracts of Virginia Land Patents, Vol. 7, pgs. 191-2, 1 leaf, manuscript  
"Osbourne, Capt. Thomas", , 1 leaf, manuscript  
Enlistment Record, Osbourn, William, Revolutionary War, 1 leaf, typescript  
"Osborn (Osban) John," 1 leaf, manuscript  
Osbourn, David, Will Book 5, page 67," 2 pages, manuscript  
"Osborn, Thos. Sr." 1 leaf, manuscript  
"Osbourn Record," 1 pages, manuscript  
Osbourne – Link – Buckles Genealogical Data, 1 pages, typescript and manuscript  
"In reference to the Revolutionary War record..." 1 pages, manuscript  
Letter to Mrs. Lucas from Ann Waller Reddy, October 27, 1939, 1 leaf, typescript  
"George O. (my father)..." 1 leaf, manuscript (written on back of stockholder letter from March 31, 1938)

Osborne Family Notes (also Clinkenbeard, Hendricks), 6 leaves, typescript, 3 leaves, manuscript, 5 pages, manuscript

Rush family notes, 3 leaves, typescript

"Rush Family," 1 leaf, typescript

"Rush Genealogy" version 1, 1 leaf, typescript

"Rush Genealogy" version 2, 1 leaf, typescript

Miscellaneous – Genealogy Notes, 15 pages, manuscript, 14 leaves, manuscript, 3 leaves, typescript, 1 printed item, 2 news articles

Old Colored Episcopal Church Deed, 1867, from Deed Book 2, page 539, Jefferson County, WV (in the courthouse at Charles Town), 1 leaf, typescript

Trussell, Elizabeth Lucas – Correspondence with friends, 1939-1948, 16 pages, manuscript, 3 pages, typescript

Shepherd College Alumni Association Golden Anniversary Award, given to Elizabeth Little on May 15, 1981, 1 leaf, print and typescript

## PHOTOGRAPHS

- [1001-001] Farm Work - Raising Hogs on a farm in Frederick County. Large and small hogs, buildings, fences, haystack, chicken, unidentified man, early 20th century.
- [1001-002] O.M. Lucas as a young man, probably 3rd quarter 19th century.
- [1001-003] Mary R. Lucas, of Baltimore, MD. Inscription on reverse difficult to decipher now, possibly her address, circa 1860.
- [1001-004] John Lucas, Jr., as a young man, circa 1860s.
- [1001-005] Katherine Shepherd Lucas (Mrs. R.H. Lucas) of Shepherdstown (now WV), circa 1860s.
- [1001-006] Dr. Robert A. Lucas as an older man. No hat, facing stage right, circa 1860s.
- [1001-007] Dr. Robert A. Lucas as an older man. Straw planter hat, facing stage left, circa 1860s.
- [1001-008] Lucas family group. Persons identified as "Aunt Bet" (Mrs. Robt. illegible), "Aunt Kate" (Mrs. William Bulls(?)), "Aunt Fannie" (Mrs. R.M. Lucas), "Grandma Nellie" (Mrs. Buck Lucas), "Uncle Shep" (Shepherd Lucas), circa 1910.
- [1001-009] R.D. Shepherd as a very young man, circa 1870s.
- [1001-010] E.L. Powell as a very young man. Inscribed, "Your aff: Cousin," circa 1874.
- [1001-011] M.C. [Mary Custis] Lee, of Lexington, VA. [Mrs. Robert E. Lee.], March 19th, 1866.
- [1001-012] "Grandma" Nellie Lucas with 2nd and 3rd (or 3rd and 4th) generation family members (woman and toddler, not identified), circa 1910.
- [1001-013] Trussell collection, unidentified. "Rim stand in lawn in front of house." Man with hunting rifle, house set far back, early 20th century.
- [1001-014] 306 South Washington Street. Rodman house. Front-gable Foursquare with wraparound front and double-decker rear porch, early 20th century.
- [1001-015] Shepherd Lucas as a young man, circa 1870s.
- [1001-016] Leslie D. Kline (Frederick County Superintendent of Schools), out hunting - "Calling the pack in," May 10, 1941.
- [1001-017] Frederick County school system personnel (including Mrs. Trussell) on steps of new Kline Elementary School (1415 Amherst Street - now Frederick County School System Administration building), circa early 1960s.
- [1001-018] Elizabeth Trussell receiving present from nfn Boyce, probably on the occasion of her retirement from Frederick County School System. Gordon, nfn Whitacre, and Roscoe Bowers also present, circa 1990s.
- [1001-019] Unidentified woman in widow's weeds(?), circa 1860.
- [1001-020] Unidentified middle-aged man, late 19th century.
- [1001-021] Unidentified man. Print defaced by ink mustache and goatee, early 20th century.
- [1001-022] Unidentified man, circa 1900s.
- [1001-023] Unidentified older woman, circa 1910.
- [1001-024] Unidentified man, circa 1900s.
- [1001-025] Unidentified group, 3 women and 3 men, outdoors in casual dress (men not wearing jackets), circa 1910s.
- [1001-026] Unidentified man in flat-brimmed hat. Tintype, trace of hand tinting on cheeks, middle to late 19th century.