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Dear Jimmy -

I am enclosing genealogy information on the Bruce family that might be helpful to you. The enclosed letter from Georgia Bruce Ramm also tells where this information came from and where to seek some more on our exact ~~tree~~ line - She says that much of it came from the SAR Florida Chapter. This might be useful to you as you are a Fla. resident -

Enjoyed talking to Barbara while you were here - Sorry we didn't get together -

I am giving our cousin Betty Brown Alexander this same info - Her younger daughter Lucy is a curator in a museum in Maryland. Hopefully between the two of them they will be able to research our family records in Maryland about the Virginia Bruces -

If you are interested in contacting Ga. Ramm's nephew ~~Robert~~ in Orlando - Her Savannah phone is in the letter -

Hope this will help you some in your research -

Your cousin  
Betty Ludwig

5 pages

Jimmy's  
Copy

July 25, 1994

Saxanob, Va.

Dear Betty,

Many thanks for your nice  
letter and Bruce's Genealogy. Your  
line of Bruce are Virginia Bruce  
while mine are Maryland Bruce.  
I'm sorry you are not my first  
cousin but all Bruces are related  
and go back to Robert the Bruce  
of Scotland - before that to Robert  
de Bruce of Normandy and back to  
the Vikings! I am enclosing a  
brief Genealogy going back to John  
Bruce who came to America in 1645  
and settled at Port Tobacco, Md. in  
Charles Co. Md.

Several years ago I went to La Plata, Md.

To a fine Community College and  
 visited the library there. The people  
 were most helpful and showed me  
 files of family genealogy that people  
 had given them. All the Bruce history  
 was there - that is the families of Maryland.  
 I visited Port Tobacco and it's a  
 museum now with several brick homes  
 left. The town flooded and was moved  
 brick by brick - stone by stone in a cart  
 uphill 9 miles and re-named La Plata.  
 There are several old cemeteries there in La Plata.  
 I am enclosing some other Bruce from a -  
 I saw Mary and Elvin Hasser at Church  
 on Sunday and they told me that your family  
 have been friends for many years. We like  
 the Hassers very much - We could be kin  
 as we both have King family names.  
 Speaking of Kings - there were so many of them  
 listed in The Children of Pride. my G. Grand father  
 was Roswell King III - Dad's cousin was Irene,  
 Pally, Harrington and Harris married King.

Polly King married Gen. Edward King  
and lived on St. Simons - She is dead  
now, as are most of her kin. The  
Kings of that generation lived in Savannah.  
The earlier Kings lived on Oglebees  
(<sup>Island or Simons Island</sup>)  
and around Midway, Ga. Before  
that they came from Windsor, Conn.  
They came to America in 1645 to Mass.  
I have a complete genealogy on the King  
family that my Grandfather Bruce had.

I also have a Jim (our 29 year old Grand-  
son) who is interested in family history  
and wants to put in on a computer program.  
He lives in Orlando and does the Razer  
lights and sound for Sea World - His  
wife works with him on the <sup>music</sup> ~~sound~~ they  
keep produce the shows that Sea World  
puts on - I also have a sister Elizabeth  
(Betty) who lives in Lakeland, Fla.

Mike grew up in Savannah & moved to NC  
(Wilmington) where the children grew up -

Had was born in Sanford, Fla. lived  
 in Pensacola & Savannah before  
 moving to Wilmington, NC. There  
 were a lot of Jews who came to  
 Wilmington and settled in the  
 Cape Fear River Area -

We do have a lot of similar  
 names and places but none match  
 so far.

Please do call me when you come  
 to Savannah. The # is 355-7493  
 We live out on Burnside Island  
 about 13 mi So. of the City. It's almost  
 an Moon River and this property once  
 belonged to Johnny Mercer's family!  
 We could meet for lunch & guide you  
 out here - also get together with Mary and  
 Elvin Saeser.

Thanks for answering my letter -  
 your near relatives  
 Georgia

The settler John Bruce came to Port Tobacco, Md. in 1665

Records from  
Jan of the  
American  
Revolution  
Memberships  
Florida Society:

John Bruce Charles Co. Md.  
Elizabeth Bruce

Charles Bruce (17... - 1759) } Charles Co.  
Maryland  
Jane Laundry Bruce

Henry  
William Bruce (Capt.) (1755 - 1825) Rev. war Maryland  
Elizabeth <sup>Mary</sup> Bruce (17... - 1732) 7th 1799

Henry C. Bruce (1801 - 1842) } Charles Co. Md.  
Jane C. Bruce (180... - 1842)

William H. Bruce (1833 - 1919) } Both of Charles Co. Md.  
Constance J. Bruce (1836 - 1879)

See Back Page Francis B. Bruce (called Frank) (1863 - 1944) Charles Co. Md.  
Georgia Raswell King (1868 - 1913) near Mt. Airy, Ga

" Francis (Frank) King Bruce (1895 - 1964) - Sanford Fla.  
Elizabeth Inglesby Bruce (1902 - 1993) Savannah, Ga

" Georgia King Bruce Rann (1923 - Savannah, Ga  
m. Robert W. Rann (1918 - Chicago, Ill.

My grand-  
father

Francis Burgess Bruce (1863-1944)

Married: Georgia Roswell King 1889 in Sanford Fla. (1863-1913)

Children:

1. Robert Carrick (1890-1895) died young
2. Maxwell Fergusson (1893-1894) died young
3. Francis King (1895-1964) 5 children (see below)
4. Ashmead Fergusson (1898-1919) no children
5. William Henry (1901-1950) 2 children (twins) Billy & Betty Bruce
6. John Fergusson (1905-1986) - 1 dau. Marjorie Bruce
7. Georgia Catherine (1913 - ) no issue

My father

Francis (Frank) Bruce (1895-1963)

M: Elizabeth Inglesby

Children:

1. Elizabeth Inglesby Bruce - m. Frederick Lacy King
- 2. Georgia King Bruce - m. Robert H. Rann
3. Mary Caroline Bruce m. Donald E. Piggard
4. Francis (Frank) Bruce m. Anita Gretchen Hoop
5. Charles Burgess Bruce m. Bessie Bishop Weaver  
m. Rachel Fish  
m. Paulet