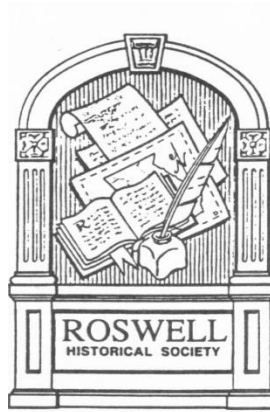


Perkins, Hembree, Ingraham, Morris Families Papers  
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**Biographical and Historical Note:**

Reuben Perkins was born in 1813 in North Carolina. He married Susan W. Relf, also a North Carolina native, in Lincoln County, North Carolina in 1836. Seeking a new opportunity, Reuben Perkins sold his 25 acre homestead on Ball's Creek in Lincoln County, N.C. and after a brief stay in Spartanburg County, South Carolina, he relocated in Lebanon, Cobb County, Georgia in 1839. His farm consisted of three 40-acre tracts purchased from the original winners of the Cherokee Land Lottery. Lots 505, 506, and 507 composed the homestead. The Perkins family was the earliest members among the Mount Carmel Methodist Church, now known as the Roswell United Methodist Church.

I. Reuben Perkins (1813-1854) and Sarah Relf Perkins (1821-1883) had 8 children:

John Albert A. Perkins (1838-1906) married Nancy Melinda Bailey (1840-1933)  
Jeremiah W. Perkins (b.1840) married Mahalia Jane Cummins (1850-1900)  
Mary Susan Perkins (1841-1886) married **Marion Pickens Hembree** (1839-1925)  
Nancy D. Perkins (1843-?) married John E. Barnes  
Epsy L. Perkins (1845-?) married Elias M. Norton (1841-?)  
Ellen Perkins (b. 1848) died as a child  
**Richard Perry Perkins** (1850-1929) married Catharine Eugenia Imes (1862-1929)  
M. Lucretia (“Crissy”) Perkins (1853-1890) married Zachariah Taylor Jones

Reuben Perkins’s farm was situated east of Roswell/Alpharetta Road and is bisected by present day Mansell Road. His early death from pneumonia in 1854, left his widow, Susan, to raise their children. Susan Relf Perkins died in 1883 and is buried next to her husband in the oldest part of the Methodist Church section of the Old Roswell Cemetery. Only field stones mark their grave.

Reuben and Susan’s daughter, Mary Susan Perkins would marry into the Hembree Family, another founding family of Lebanon, Cobb County, Georgia. She married Marion Pickens Hembree.

II. Richard Perry Perkins (1850-1929) and Catharine Eugenia Imes (1862-1929) had 5 children:

Lula Mae Perkins (1883-1979) married John R. Puckett  
Turner Greer Perkins (1885-1967) married Nancy Elizabeth Douglas  
Mary Susan Perkins (1887-1925) married Glen Thomas Morris (1886-1968)  
Son, **Aubrey Morris** (1922-2010)  
Howard Reuben Perkins (1889-1962) married Eva Mae Thomas  
Etha Antoinette Perkins (1894-1975) married **Claude D. Ingraham** (1888-1971)

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## Scope and Content

The collection consists of family papers and artifacts of the Perkins, Hembree, Ingraham, and Morris families. The papers include correspondence, legal documents, land documents, receipts, teaching and school records, and printed materials. A World War II scrapbook of Charles Ingraham is particularly noteworthy as it contains photographs of Ie Jima (with Ernie Pyle signature). The research information about the family papers and the Lebanon Baptist Church by Aubrey Morris, who was a news director for WSB news in Atlanta, Georgia, are also included in the collection.

The collection also contains ledgers pertaining to the Lebanon Baptist Church and legal documents pertaining to dispute over ownership of the church land.

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## Organization Note

Items in this collection are organized by record type, then chronologically. The collection is arranged into ten series: 1) Perkins family papers, 2)Hembree family papers, 3) Etha Perkins Ingraham and Claude D. Ingraham papers, 4) Charles Claude Ingraham & Marie Beeson Ingraham papers, 5) Aubrey Morris family papers, 6) Aubrey Morris research papers, 7) Robert

Thompson papers, 8) Lebanon Baptist Church records, 9) Fight to Preserve Lebanon Baptist Church Building, 10) Artifacts and Printed Material

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### **Selected Search Terms**

Perkins, Reuben (1813-1854)  
Perkins, Mary Susan (1841-1886)  
Hembree, Marion Pickens (1839-1925)  
Ingraham, Claude D. (1888-1971)  
United States—History--World War II  
Morris, Aubrey (1922-2010)  
Lebanon Baptist Church (Roswell, Ga.)

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### **Related Materials**

Morris family photograph collection

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## **Administrative Information**

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