

chant in Georgetown, D.C., who married in 1799 Margaret Crable (?-1840), widow of Thomas Johns Chew; Allen (1778-1782); and Richard. DAUGHTERS: Elizabeth (1772-?), who married Thomas Davis; Mary (1774-1800); and Hannah (1780-1782). PRIVATE CAREER. EDUCATION: literate. RELIGIOUS AFFILIATION: Anglican, Prince George's Parish, Montgomery County. OCCUPATIONAL PROFILE: planter; a merchant, in partnership with his stepbrother *Thomas Cramphin, Jr.* (ca. 1740-ca. 1831) and Richard Wooten under the name "Allen Bowie and Company." The firm had substantial financial resources that the partners utilized principally in loaning money and dealing in real estate during the Revolution. PUBLIC CAREER. LEGISLATIVE SERVICE: Convention, Frederick County, 1st, 1774. LOCAL OFFICES: justice, Montgomery County, commissioned 1777, 1785, 1788, and 1794—at least 1800; commissioner of tax, Montgomery County, 1785-1786, 1798; Levy Court, Montgomery County, 1799-1800. MILITARY SERVICE: captain, 1776; colonel, 1780. WEALTH DURING LIFETIME. PERSONAL PROPERTY: 30 slaves, 1790. LAND AT FIRST ELECTION: 1,489 acres in Frederick County (603 acres inherited from his father; 350 acres belonged to his brother James, but were under his control in 1769; 537 acres by personal acquisition). ADDITIONAL COMMENTS: his father, John Bowie, Jr., purchased 2,000 acres in Frederick County in 1747, naming the plantation the "Hermitage" after an old land grant. He built a brick dwelling on the tract for his son Allen, who was then a minor. His father continued living at "ThorpeLand" until his death. Part of the tract on which the "Hermitage" was built was devised to Allen, who moved there when he came of age. SIGNIFICANT CHANGES IN LAND BETWEEN FIRST ELECTION AND DEATH: purchased 2,035 acres and sold 167 acres in Montgomery County, 1778-1794. WEALTH AT DEATH. DIED in May 1803; buried in Prince George's Parish, Montgomery County. LAND: owned 1,869 acres in Montgomery County in 1794; no other land transactions found after that date.

BOWIE, FIELDER (ca. 1745-1794). BORN: ca. 1745 at "Brookridge," near Nottingham, Prince George's County; elder son. NATIVE: third generation. RESIDED: in the town of Nottingham, Prince George's County. FAMILY BACKGROUND. FATHER: Allen Bowie, Sr., Gent. (1719-1783), justice of the peace in Prince George's County from 1752 to 1754; inspector of tobacco, Marlborough warehouse in 1757; son of John Bowie, Sr. (ca. 1688-1759). MOTHER: Priscilla (?-1747), widow of Capt.

William Finch, a mariner and London shipowner. STEPMOTHER: Ann (1718-1779), daughter of Rev. John Fraser (?-1742), rector of King George's Parish, Prince George's County, and wife Ann Blyzard. UNCLE: *William Bowie* (1721-1791). STEPUNCLE: *George Fraser* (?-1764). STEPAUNT: Susannah Fraser, who married *John Hawkins, Jr.* (1713-1757). HALF BROTHER, PATERNAL: John Fraser Bowie. HALF SISTERS, PATERNAL: Susannah Fraser Bowie (1749-?), who married Matthew Eversfield (1742-1798), son of Rev. John Eversfield (ca. 1701-1780); Priscilla Bowie (1750-1786), who married *Thomas Duckett* (1744-1806); and Anne Bowie (1751-1782), who married Lt. John Smith Brookes. HALF SISTER, MATERNAL: Phoebe Finch, who married Mordecai Smith (1737-?), of Calvert County, son of Nathan Smith and wife Cassandra. FIRST COUSINS: *Allen Bowie, Jr.* (1737-1803); *Walter Bowie* (1748-1810); and *Robert Bowie* (ca. 1750-1818). MARRIED ca. 1765 Elizabeth Clagett (1745-1794), who was buried at "Brookridge," Prince George's County; daughter of Rev. John Eversfield (ca. 1701-1780), who immigrated from England in 1728, was the rector of St. Paul's Parish, Prince George's County from 1728 to 1780, and an outspoken Tory whose property was confiscated during the Revolution, but was ultimately returned to him and his wife Eleanor Clagett; granddaughter of Richard Clagett, Sr. (ca. 1681-1752) and wife Deborah Dorsey. Her brothers were John (1731-?), who was educated for the ministry at Oxford University, England, but died on his return voyage to America, leaving a widow and one daughter; Matthew (1742-1798), who married Susanna Fraser (1749-?), daughter of Allen Bowie, Sr. (1719-1783); Charles (1750-ca. 1815), a physician, who married in 1785 Elizabeth, daughter of Thomas Gantt, of Calvert County; and William (1753-?), who died young. Her sisters were Eleanor (1733-?), who married William Eversfield, of England; Mary (ca. 1739-?), who married Benjamin Brooke, Jr.; and Deborah (1748-?), who married Benjamin Berry. CHILDREN. SONS: Allen (ca. 1768-1795), who married Sarah Chew; Thomas Contee (1771-1813), who married Mary Mackall (1776-1825), daughter of *Robert Bowie* (ca. 1750-1818); Eversfield (1773-1815), who married Elizabeth Lane; and John Fraser, Jr. (1781-1823), who married Mary Calvert. DAUGHTERS: Priscilla (1776-1810), never married; Elizabeth Susannah (1785-1824), who married Joseph Howard, Jr. (1786-1839). PRIVATE CAREER. EDUCATION: educated at Rev. John Eversfield's school near Nottingham, Prince George's County. RELIGIOUS AFFILIATION: Anglican, St. Paul's Parish,