

property was sold after his death. The proceeds, totaling \$17,374.40, were distributed among his children.

MARBURY, LUKE (ca. 1745–1809). BORN: ca. 1745; only child surviving to adulthood. NATIVE: third generation. RESIDED: in Piscataway-Hynson Hundred, Prince George's County, 1796; "Wheeler's Hope," Prince George's County, 1801. FAMILY BACKGROUND. FATHER: Luke Marbury (1710–1758), Gent., of Prince George's County, a tobacco inspector at Piscataway and a justice of the peace of Prince George's County, 1743–1751. MOTHER: Elizabeth, daughter of William Beanes (1684–1765) and wife Elizabeth Bradley (1684–1773) of Upper Marlborough, Prince George's County. ADDITIONAL COMMENT: In 1761, Luke Marbury's father's estate was to be divided between his widow and three children. There is no evidence of Luke's siblings after this date. It is presumed they died soon thereafter leaving him as the surviving heir. MARRIED ca. 1770 his first cousin Elizabeth (ca. 1747–?), daughter of William Beanes (?–1801) of Prince George's County and wife Mary Bowie (1726–ca. 1794). Elizabeth was the niece of *William Bowie* (1721–1791). Her brothers were Dr. Colmore (?–1831), a physician; Maj. William Bradley (1775–1818), who married in 1809 Eleanor Brown; Col. John Hancock (?–1811), who married first, in 1785, Henrietta Dyer (?–1788), widow of John Dyer, daughter of Peter Dent of Charles County, and married second, in 1796, Harriet Sothoron, widow of William Clagett; and Dr. William (1749–1828), a physician and planter of Prince George's County, who married in 1773 Sarah Hawkins Hanson, daughter of *Samuel Hanson* (1716–1794). Her sisters were Eleanor, who married in 1781 James Mullikin (?–1804); Millicent, who possibly married James Alexander Magruder; and Mary Bowie, who married in 1783 Baruch Duckett (ca. 1745–1810), brother of *Thomas Duckett* (1744–1806). Her first cousins were *Walter Bowie* (1748–1810); *Robert Bowie* (ca. 1750–1818). ADDITIONAL COMMENT: Dr. William Beanes, Marbury's brother-in-law, was taken prisoner shortly after the successful British assault on Washington, D.C., in August 1814. Francis Scott Key, a friend of Beanes, went on board the British ship in the Chesapeake Bay where Beanes was being held in an effort to secure his release. It is from this vantage point that Key witnessed the bombardment of Fort McHenry on the night of September 13–14, 1814,

that inspired him to write the "Star-Spangled Banner." CHILDREN. SON: William (1771–?), who served two terms in the Maryland House of Delegates and who married Jane Contee (1780–?), daughter of John Read Magruder and wife Barbara Contee. Her grandfather was *Alexander Contee* (ca. 1691–1740). DAUGHTERS: Elizabeth (1773–?), who married in 1796 Henry Sothoron of St. Mary's County; Henrietta Beanes (ca. 1774–?), who married in 1802 Thomas Henry Clagett; and Caroline, who probably married ca. 1809 William Marshall, Jr. PRIVATE CAREER. EDUCATION: literate. RELIGIOUS AFFILIATION: Anglican, King George's Parish, Prince George's County. OCCUPATIONAL PROFILE: merchant by 1768; planter, 1805. PUBLIC CAREER. LEGISLATIVE SERVICE: Conventions, Prince George's County, 4th, 1775 (elected, but did not attend), 5th, 1775 (elected, but did not attend), 9th, 1776 (election voided on August 15, 1776, because the freemen of Prince George's County illegally appointed election judges after the ones officially appointed failed to act; subsequently reelected and seated). LOCAL OFFICES: justice, Prince George's County, 1773–1780; King George's Parish Vestry, Prince George's County, in office 1771, 1772, 1784; Committee of Observation, Prince George's County, elected 1775; lieutenant of militia, Prince George's County, commissioned July 1, 1777, resigned November 29, 1777; judge, Court of Appeals for Tax Assessment, appointed 1786; sheriff, Prince George's County, elected 1788, but not commissioned. MILITARY SERVICE: captain, Prince George's County Militia, 1776; Lt. colonel, Lower Battalion of Militia, Prince George's County, commissioned February 4, 1777; colonel, Lower Battalion of Militia, Prince George's County, commissioned September 1, 1777; taken prisoner at Battle of Germantown, October 4, 1777, exchanged March 26, 1781. STANDS ON PUBLIC/PRIVATE ISSUES: manumitted five slaves in his will. WEALTH DURING LIFETIME. PERSONAL PROPERTY: 11 slaves, 1776; 24 slaves and 42 oz. plate, 1796. LAND AT FIRST ELECTION: 687 acres in Prince George's County (682 acres inherited from father, 5 acres by purchase). SIGNIFICANT CHANGES IN LAND BETWEEN FIRST ELECTION AND DEATH: purchased 350 acres in Prince George's County, 1789–1801; charged with 1,092 acres in Prince George's County, 1800; gave son 855 acres in Prince George's County by deed of gift, 1801–1805. WEALTH AT DEATH. DIED: between January and April 1809 in Prince George's County. PERSONAL