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### DNA

I compared my 12 with Johns, there was a lot of differences in just those 12. I had a rudimentary 12 Y-DNA done about 5 or 6 years ago. It put me in the I1 Haplogroup (M253), my 12 markers match up perfectly with I1-N, which is Norse and has the highest showing in Sweden. My results were suggested by the Genome Project was Gaul/Keltic in origin. From what I have read and researched the Pruitt lineage seems to be connected strongly to Normandy which would explain Gaul/Keltic as well as Norse findings. Anyone else come across anything similar?

#### Comments



**John W. Pruett-VA DF13** Apr 6, 10

Ritch, I have been looking on y Search today at all the Pruett/Pruitts and there are R1b, I1, and unknown haplogroups. Its possible as more people get tested that another haplogroup could emerge especially since many are unknowns.

I did notice that both R1b and 1b people claim their lines back to Thomas of 1636. Who knows who is correct. May be we need an expert in DNA genetics to decide this one.



**Ritchie Pruitt** Apr 6, 10

I am pretty confident of my direct paternal line through my father, Coy, Martin, Hardin Marcus, Hardin, Joel Sr., Joseph Jr., Joseph Sr., Uriah, Henry, Thomas, John

Martin Van Pruitt, was named after Martin Van Buren (8th US President) which my grandfather Coy told me on many occasions. The Wilkes Co area Pruitt's were strong Republicans (or Jefferson/Jackson Democrats in earlier times). They fought in the revolutionary war against the British. They fought against the South in the Civil War. They were strong believers in an united country without slavery. Absolutists were a strong facet of the Primitive Baptist Church, which all the Pruitts were members of. Interestingly, the Primitive Baptist Church is descendant of the Calvinist and possibly Huguenot Church in VA. Van (which most people called him) was a very large man. My father guessed he was at least 6'9" and 350 pounds or more. My father recalled Van "scaring the day lights out of him" as a boy (around 5 or 6 years old) because he was such an imposing figure. I do not have a date of death on Van but it is obvious he lived past 1930 (via US Census) and at least until 1953 (my father's five of year of life). My father and his immediate family were the caretakers of Van's wife (Mary L. Stone) until she died in 1956. She was stricken with polio and was in a wheelchair.

My grandfather passed along many stories about Hardin Marcus through direct knowledge. Other stories about Hardin and his father Joel were passed along to Coy by his great uncles and aunts who were born in the 1860-1870 and lived until 1940-1960. My guess is that stories about Joel were told to Coy's great uncles/aunts by their aunt/uncles/parent. I can connect my family to Joel Jr./Joel Sr. by direct experiences of family members. So I am very concern of Joel Sr. birth 1786 Wilkes Co, NC to death 1860 Wilkes Co. NC by the longevity and overlapping of very large and centrally located family for a long period of time.

After all of that being said, is there a connection between Joel Sr. (1786-1860) and Thomas (1616-1692)/John (1587-1679)? Evidence from compiled records would point out a very high likelihood that this is the case. <http://www.webjmd.com/a05thrua08.pdf> Look at pages 14 through 28.

Another facet would be that all the Pruitts with a paternal DNA test and with the claim of Thomas/John have the exact same 13 markers. 1l or 1l (Norse). Norse could easily translatable to Norman, Welsh, British, Celtic and so on as we have seen from the moments of the Norse peoples over time. Another facet is that the R's could have migrated into the I's because R is older than I and their movements did eventually overlap. My full spectrum DNA has been sent out two days ago, this will be a major upgrade in information. Maybe newer technology (6 years updated) and both full tests done will give a deeper and clearer result that puts all of this together. I will be happy to share with everyone interested.

I love this CSI:Ancestry dynamic! :-)



**Ritchie Pruitt**

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