



Famous North Carolinians

Artists

William Thomas Bain, Chatham County
Romare Bearden, Mecklenburg County
John Bigger, Gaston County
Boston Napoleon Bonapart Boyd, Pitt County
Selma Burke, Iredell County
Claude Howell, New Hanover County
Joseph Wallace King, Forsyth County
Gene Locklear, Robeson County
Ben Long, Iredell County
Jacob Marlin, Warren County
Kenneth Noland, Buncombe County
Thomas Gilchrist Polk, Mecklenburg
Bob Timberlake, Davidson County
Mary Lyde Hicks Williams, Duplin County

Entertainers

Frances Bavier, Chatham County
Howard Cosell, Forsyth County
Eileen Fulton, Buncombe County
Ava Gardner, Johnston County
Maureen Garrett, Nash County
Kathryn Grayson, Forsyth County
Pam Grier, Forsyth County
Andy Griffith, Surry County
George Grizzard, Halifax County
Jackee Harry, Forsyth County
Moms Mabley (Loretta Mary Aiken),
Transylvania County
Dewey (Pigmeat) Markham,
Durham County
Debbi Morgan, Harnett County
Lonnie Schorr, Wake County
Alice Elizabeth Webb, Guilford County

Authors/Poets

Maya Angelou, Forsyth County
Doris Betts, Iredell County
Fred Chappell, Haywood County
Charles W. Chesnutt, Cumberland
Ellis Credle, Hyde County
Kaye Gibbons, Nash County
Jaki Shelton Green, Orange County
Paul Green, Harnett County
George Moses Horton, Northampton County
Randall Kenan, Duplin County
C. Eric Lincoln, Orange County
Lenard D. Moore, Onslow County
James Larkin Pearson, Wilkes County
William Sydney Porter (O. Henry), Guilford County
Reynolds Price, Warren County
Anne Tyler, Wake County
Islay Walden, Randolph County

Inventors

Caleb D. Bradham, Craven County
William H. Cumming, Guilford County
Frederick Elliott, Guilford County
Joe L. Dudley, Beaufort County
Richard Jordan Gatling, Hertford County
Clay S. Gloster, Jr., Wake County
Lunsford Lane, Wake County
Frederick Lente, Craven County
Parker D. Robbins, Bertie County
Samuel Rogers, Buncombe County
Edward H. Sutton, Chowan County
Roberts S. Thomas, Richmond County
William A. Turner, Washington County
Frank Vaughan, Pasquotank County
David M. Williams, Cumberland County

Musicians

Shirley Caesar, Durham County
John Coltrane, Richmond County
Charles DeLaney, Forsyth County
Roberta Flack, Buncombe County
Hunter Johnson, Johnston County
Ben E. King (Benjamin Nelson), Vance County
Kay Kysor, Nash County
Clyde McPhatter, Durham County
Armelia McQueen, Moore County
Charles Mills, Iredell County
Ronnie Milsap, Graham County
Earl Scruggs, Cleveland County
Nina Simone, Polk County
William E. (Billy) Taylor, Pitt County
Randy Travis, Union County

Scientists

Leonidas Berry, Person County
Christine Mann Darden, Union County
Herman Eure, Gates County
A. Oveta Fuller, Alamance County
Washington C. Kerr, Guilford County
Artis P. Graves, Guilford County
Flemmie P. Kittrell, Vance County
Wade M. Kornegay, Wayne County
George M. Langford, Halifax County
James W. Mitchell, Durham County
Haywood M. Taylor, Edgecombe County
Furney Albert Todd, Wake County
Samuel Von Winbush, Vance County
William A. Withers, Davidson County
William S. Yeates, Hertford County

Sports Figures

Maxine Allen, Northampton County
John Baker, Jr., Wake County
Clarence (Big House) Gaines, Forsyth County
Jim (Catfish) Hunter, Perquimans County
Sam Jones, Scotland County
Michael Jordan, New Hanover County
Meadowlark Lemon, Davidson County
Jonathan Thompson Walton Zachary, Alamance County
Ray C. (Sugar Ray) Leonard, New Hanover County
Walter F. (Buck) Leonard, Nash County
Robert A. (Bob) McAdoo, Jr., Guilford County
Freddie (Curley) Neal, Guilford County
Richard Petty, Randolph County
Enos Slaughter, Bertie County
James (Bonecrusher) Smith, Harnett County

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