

ALLISON AND CAMPBELL FAMILIES (#308)

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Pg. 87 – The Allison and Campbell families have resided, married, and raised their families in Pennsylvania, North Carolina and Tennessee for several generations, with many subsequent branches living all throughout the United States.

John Allison Jr. in a pension declaration, “was born eight miles north of Hillsborough in Orange County, North Carolina in the year 1762, according to the best information he has upon the subject.” His parents were John Allison Sr. and Martha “Mattie” Hamilton. Martha Hamilton was a servant to William Allison of Lancaster County, Pennsylvania for four years, after arriving in America from Ireland. After her indenture was completed, she married John Allison, a son to William. John and Martha decided to move to North Carolina about 1755. They had eleven children; and at least four of their sons fought in the American Revolution of 1776.

John Allison Jr. served in the Revolutionary War, entering the service for 9 months in 1778 from Orange Co., NC, serving under Capt. William Lytle and commanded by Col. Archibald Lytle. He entered a second time for 3 months under Sgt. William Riley; and a third time under Capt. John Whiteside, with his head commander being General Butler.

In his Revolutionary War Pension application papers, John Jr. wrote “We rendezvoused at Hillsboro, the County Seat of Orange County. From Hillsborough we marched and crossed the Yadkin river at a place then called Island Ford, as well as he recollects, continuing their march they passed through Salisbury, Charlotte, Camden, and crossed Santee River at Nelson’s Ferry, thence to Monk’s Corner thence to the Ten Mile house where we remained for some short time. From this latter place we marched through Dogester and crossed a small stream at Bacon’s Bridge. We then marched to Purysburg where we joined Gen. Lincoln.”

John Jr. married Sarah Tolar 16 April 1789 in Orange County, NC and by 1809 had moved his family to White County, Tennessee. He owned land in the Ditty area in White County. This area became Putnam County in 1854. He died in Ditty, Tennessee, on March 1842, and is buried in the Kemp-Allison Cemetery, with a Revolutionary War Marker by his grave. His wife, Sarah was born in 1768, daughter to John Toler and Sarah “Sally” Thomas. She died in Tennessee about 1855. John and Sarah Allison had eleven children.

Grizzel Allison (b. 1789) married John Campbell; Martha “Patsy” (1791-1897) married Daniel Campbell; Frances (b. 1792) married James Allison; Sarah Jerahe (b. 1794) married James Mitchell; Mary (1798-1850) married Hiram Brown; Joseph “Mine Lick Joe” (1799-1886) married Asenath “Cynthia” Stone; Jems “Wooden Head” (b. 1801) married Mary “Polly” Whitehead; Jane “Jennett” (1806-1875) married Isaac Huddleston; Naomi (1809-1875) married William Huddleston; Ruth (b. 1810) married Joel Burgess; John Ralston (b. 1812); died young.

John and Sarah’s daughter, Martha “Pasty” Allison was born 27 February 1791 near Hillsborough, NC, and died 4 May 1897 in Tennessee. She married Daniel Campbell on 8 September 1811 in White Co., TN. Daniel was born about 1790; moved to White County by 1811, where he died 10 March 1849 in a part of the county that later became Putnam County. He is said to be the son of Lucas & Jane (Tourney) Campbell.

Daniel served in the War of 1812 against the British and the Creek Indians. He served as a private in Capt. Abner Pierce’s company of the Tenn. Militia, in the Battalion of Col. Woodforks; for a period of 182 days (20 Sept. 1814-20 Mar. 1815). He was honorably discharged near Huntsville, TN. After Daniel’s death, Martha moved to Cumberland County, TN, to live with one of her daughters. Six children of Daniel & Patsy (Allison) Campbell were: Nathaniel (abt. 1812-1855) married Delila Nash; William Picket (1812-1870) married Lucy Jane Allison; John E. (1815-1900) married Elizabeth “Besty” McBride (1815-1891);

Joseph (1815-1886) married Elizabeth Ann "Besty" Allison; Nancy Grace (b. abt. 1822) married King "John" Hiram Burgess; James Marion (b. 1828 -) married Lucy "Emeline" Whitehead.

Daniel and Patsy's son, John E. Campbell, was born 11 December 1815 in White County, Tennessee. John's grandson Jesse Michael Campbell related about his grandfather, "He lived between what is now known as Burgess Community and Ditty in Putnam County, which is believed to be the lands which was also owned by his father, Daniel Campbell." One land record shows "John E. Campbell entering 330 acres of land on Town Creek between 1854 and 1862." John married Elizabeth "Besty" McBride in 1835, in White County, TN. In addition to farming his land, John was a potter like his father before him.

The children of John and Betsy: Amanda Minerva (b. 1839); Spartan "Maccah" (b. 1838) married Mary "Polly" Mills; Watson "Columbus" (b. 1841); Richard D. (1843-1907) married Mary Ann Carr; Surbrina O. (1844-1926) married Hiram Bowman (see Bowman Family); Tabitha "Clementine" (b. 1846) married James Montgomery; Elizabeth A., (b. 1852); John R. (1855-1880) married Sarah Jane Mahan.

At least two of John and Betsy's sons were soldiers during the Civil War.

John E. Campbell died in Putnam County 14 Aug. 1900. His wife, Betsy, died there 2 Aug. 1891. They are both buried in the Rhea Cemetery.

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