

RIVERS

John Rivers m. Mary Fort, sister of Phillis Fort, as reflected in LWT of Phillis Fort dtd 1/25/1781, pvd 3/31/1791 Abbeville Co., S. C., wherein she named as exr, her bro-in-law, John Rivers, headed "Mecklenberg Co." (N. C.) Interrogatories dtd at Charlotte, N. C., filed 96h Dist., Abbeville Co., S. C. reveal that Phillis Fort lived with John and Mary Rivers and died in their house; also that John Rivers had a blind son, James. The LWT of Mary Rivers dtd 11/29/1802 Edgefield Co., S. C., WB A, P. 172, names dau., Lucy Rivers Garret, and son, John Rivers.

John Rivers made his LWT dtd 5/20/1779 pvd 7/1790 Edgefield Co., S. C., WB A, P. 18, "John Rivers of Mecklenberg County," naming sister, Lucy Rivers; bro., Jones Rivers, and friend, Robert Thomson, exrs. "...the whole of my estate to be sold and the money laid out in land in Georgia to the best advantage and that equally divided between my three children." Issue of John Rivers follows:

I. James Rivers.

II. Lucy Rivers prob. m. Robert Garret, a s. of John Garrett, whose LWT dtd 10/23/1784, pvd 1/1/1785 Abbeville Co., S. C.

III. John R. Rivers, b. ca 1760, Rev. War Soldier, lived Edgefield Co., settling in Richmond Co. Ga. by 1795. Appears on Ga. Muster Rolls as Pvt. under Col. Samuel Elbert, 2d Continental Ga. Battn, certified by sd Col. Elbert 8/18/1785. Edgefield Co., S. C. deed dtd 3/24/1801, "Know all men by these presents that I, John Rivers of Richmond Co., Ga., planter, ...sold to Mary Hargrove...land situated in Edgefield Co., near the red house...21 1/4 acres." He recd a land grant of 540 acres on the Savannah River 10/15/178-; and was Judge in Jasper Co. 1815. The first evidence of him in Ga. is a deed, Richmond Co., 8/20/1795, John Rivers and wife, Mary Ann to Andrew Wilson, land on Spirit Cr., being an orig. land grant 1792 to Wm. Brown, thence sold to John Rivers. In deeds to his children, i.e., 11/23/1808 Warren Co., John Rivers conveys to Thomas Rivers 300 acres, being pt. of a 700 acre tract "which John Rivers lives on," and 5/8/1809, John Rivers conveys to Nancy Rivers 400 acres. The est. of John R. Rivers is published in Jasper Co., first Ann. Return dtd 1827, with Thomas Rivers, admr.; however, he d. 1/19/1823 Jasper Co. The first deed in Jasper Co. was from James Stephens to John Rivers dtd 9/29/1810, DB 3, P. 122-3. Issue of John R. Rivers follows:

1. Robert Rivers m. Susan Thurmond, dau. of Philip Thurmond.

2. James Rivers, w., Milly, his est. filed Jasper Co. Wills, Apprs., V. 10, P. 187-8, in 1832.

3. Nancy Rivers.

4. William Thomas Rivers, b. 9/11/1785 Edgefield Co., S. C. m. 11/15/1804 Mary Milligan, b. 10/31/1778 S. C., d. 1851 Warren Co., Ga., dau. of Thomas Milligan and w., Frances Watkins of Prince Edward Co., Va. William's LWT dtd 1840, pvd 1849, Warren Co. He d. 7/24/1849. His Bible in possession of Mrs. C. W. Mathews, Warrenton, Ga. Issue:

a. William Thomas Rivers, b. 2/14/1806 Jasper Co., Ga., d. 8/25/1869, m. 12/19/1830 Barbary B. Hutchinson.

b. Harriett McGahee Rivers, b. 4/2/1808 Jasper Co., Ga., d. 9/27/1868, unmd.

c. Mary B. B. Rivers, b. ca 1810 Jasper Co., Ga., decd in 1849, m. 12/20/1829 Jasper Co., Alfred A. Comer.
 d. Susan Raborn Rivers, b. 5/2/1811 Jasper Co., Ga.
 e. John F. Rivers, b. 12/31/1814 Warren Co., Ga., d. 8/3/1898, m. 1/26/1839 Fereby Howard, b. 11/15/1815 Jefferson Co., Ga., d. 2/3/1894, dau. of Willis Howard, Jr. and w., Sarah Elizabeth Spring.

Issue:

- i. Nancy Emily Rivers, b. 12/15/1839 m. Sydney Hillman Thompson.
- ii. George Rivers, b. 5/5/1841.
- iii. Solomon Howard Rivers, b. 2/4/1843, d. 3/7/1893, m. 5/25/1871 Jane Terrell.
- iv. Elizabeth A. Rivers, b. 12/1/1844 m. S. M. McNair.
- v. Mary Savannah Rivers, b. 1/5/1847 d. 12/16/1924, m. 9/5/1867 Dr. Robert Thomas Barton.
- vi. John Stokes Rivers, b. 12/28/1848.
- vii. Dillie F. Rivers, b. 11/25/1850, d. 12/1908, m. Andrew J. Williams.
- viii. Thomas William Rivers, b. 5/10/1853 m. Lucy Boyd.
- ix. William David Rivers, b. 11/29/1855.
- x. Albert Preston Rivers, b. 12/9/1857 m. Margaret Hadden.
- f. Francis Milligan Rivers, b. 3/1816 Warren Co. Ga., d. 9/23/1849, m. 8/3/1839 Sabina Hobbs.
- g. Thomas Jefferson Rivers, b. 10/27/1812 Jasper Co., Ga., d. 4/9/1853 Warren Co., Ga., m. 11/28/1833 Warren Co., Ga. Nancy McGahee, b. 1815 Ga., d. 1856 Jefferson Co., Ga.

Thomas Jefferson Rivers, above, received a land grant of 20 acres in Warren Co., and 350 acres April 1839. He is listed on 1840-50 Warren Co. Census. Issue:

- 1- Mary A. Rivers, b. 1833 Warren Co. Ga.
 - 2- Deana L. Rivers, b. 1836 Warren Co. Ga.
 - 3- Martha E. Rivers, b. 1840 Warren Co., Ga.
 - 4- John T. Rivers, b. 1842 Warren Co., Ga. m. 1/3/1861 Mary F. Moncrief, Thomas Co., Ga.
 - 5- Peniva J. Rivers, b. 1844 Warren Co., Ga.
 - 6- James M. Rivers, b. 1846 Warren Co., Ga.
 - 7- William George Rivers, b. 1838 Warren Co., Ga., d. 7/11/1915 Thomson, McDuffie Co., Ga., m. Margaret Ellen Thompson, b. 1832 Jefferson Co., Ga., dau. of Shadrack Thompson and his w., Ann Carswell.
- Issue:
- a. Arrenia C. Rivers, b. 1861 Warren Co. Ga.
 - b. John T. Rivers, b. 1863 Warren Co., Ga., m. Mrs. Elizabeth White, 1/25/1890, Richmond Co. Ga.
 - c. Robert S. Rivers, b. 1869 Richmond Co. Ga., d. 1915, Charleston, S. C.
 - d. Mary Rivers, b. 1870 Richmond Co., Ga., m. Rufus Kimbrell, she d. 1955 Ocala, Fla.
 - e. Isaac Rivers, b. 1875 Richmond Co., Ga., m. 4/12/1900, Mary Williams, McDuffie Co. Ga.
 - f. James Rivers, b. 7/12/1880 Richmond Co., Ga.
 - g. Margaret Rivers, b. 1873 Richmond Co., Ga. m. Mr. Blitchington.
 - h. William George Rivers, b. 11/10/1879 Richmond Co., Ga., d. 2/24/1943, m. 12/12/19 Cll Emily Frances Leggett.

William George Rivers m. 2d abt 1890 Mary E. Pendarvis and had issue:
i. Pearl Rivers, b. ca 1885 Richmond Co., Ga. m. Mr. Blackman.
j. Joseph Shirley Rivers, b. 11/7/1892 McDuffie Co., Ga., d.
11/14/1959 Dorchester Co., S. C.
k. Ellen Rivers, b. 9/18/1894 McDuffie Co., Ga., d. 8/30/1952
Dorchester Co., S. C., m. J. W. Whetsell.

William George Rivers, b. 11/10/1879, d. 2/28/1843 Charleston, S. C.,
m. 12/12/1901 in Charleston, Emily Frances Leggett, b. 7/3/1884
Pitt Co., N. C., d. 1/21/1966 Charleston, S. C., dau. of Edward Grey
Leggett and his w., Frances Ann Daniel, had issue:

- 1- William Sinclair Rivers, b. 9/22/1902 Dorchester, S. C., m.
1/24/1936 Reba Gladys Stone.
- 2- Brandwell Cozart Rivers, b. 10/15/1905 Charleston, S. C., m.
11/8/1933 Ruth Gissell.
- 3- John Randolph Rivers, b. 12/14/1908 Charleston, S. C., m. 2/20/1924
Eva Lavon Spell.
- 4- Mamie [twin] Rivers, b. 8/24/1910 Charleston, S. C., d. 12/12/1913.
- 5- Mabel [twin] Rivers, b. 8/24/1910 Charleston, S. C., d. 2/1913.
- 6- Tresse Alwilder Rivers, b. 4/15/1914 Charleston, S. C., m. 1/24/1936
Harold Lamar McLaws.
- 7- Ashley Grey Rivers, b. 2/19/1916 Charleston, S. C., m. 1937 Evelyn
Whitson.
- 8- Evora Janet Rivers, b. 5/14/1918 Charleston, S. C., m. 6/15/1936,
Russell Henry Teuscher.
- 9- Zopha Neal Rivers [twin], b. 10/22/1920 Charleston, S. C., d. 2/1921.
- 10- Benjamin Lafayette Rivers [twin], b. 10/22/1920 Charleston, S. C.,
m. 9/27/1941 Vivian Ella Lewis, div., m. 2d 2/12/1966 Elma D. Black.
- 11- Sopha Serfeaniel Rivers, b. 9/18/1921 Charleston, S. C., m.
Harriett Shuler.
- 12- O'Hagan Lacurklas Rivers, b. 6/7/1923 Charleston, S. C., d.
2/4/1924.

Robert Augustus Rivers, b. 1/15/1809 Fayette Co., Ga., m. 11/28/1833
Pike Co., Ga., Jane Caroline Harper, had: John Franklin, b. 8/20/1834;
Sarah Eliza, b. 10/30/1836; William Thomas, b. 5/11/1839; James
Judson, b. 8/14/1841; Robert Augustus, b. 9/21/1843; Eliza Ann., b.
11/25/1846; Josiah Nunley, b. 5/10/1849; Wyatt Appleton, b. 10/28/1851;
Elsie Caroline, b. 1/17/1855; and Tabitha Adaline, b. 12/25/1859, all
Fayette Co., Ga.

Robert Rivers of Spalding Co., Ga., b. 11/1863 Ga., w., Pearl, b.
8/1869 Ga., lived at Mt. Zion, had issue: Mable, b. 6/1890; Annie R.,
b. 10/1892; Pauline, b. 1895; Jimmie D., b. 1898; and Harriett Rivers,
mother of Robert, b. 11/1828 living with family in 1900.