

## Hall County history

# Abercrombies came to Hall from Carolina

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The 1820 Federal census of Hall County enumerates three families of Abercrombies. There were two men by the name of James and a John Abercrombie. The name is also spelled Abercromby, Abercrumby, and Abbercrombie, but seems to be the same family.

The Abercrombies apparently came to Hall from South Carolina via Jackson County. There are many Abercrombie marriage records and other court records found in Jackson County prior to the creation of Hall. One of the early militia districts in Hall was named for one of the Abercrombies.

There are many recorded transfers of property in DEEDS AND MORTGAGES in Hall County courthouse.

James Abercrombie sold to Garland Floyd by DEED, 175 acres, Aug. 25, 1825, BOOK B, p. 33.

James Abercrombie sold to Alexander Crawford by DEED, 175 acres in Jackson County, Aug. 25, 1826, BOOK B, p. 167.

John Abercrombie sold to Abner Langford by DEED, 250 acres Lot 30 in 11th district, Apr. 6, 1829, BOOK C, p. 54.

A widow, Nancy Abercrombie, was granted lot 30 in 12th district, Nov. 14, 1825. She was listed as living in 154th district Warren County.

James Abercrombie was an original settler in Hall County. It is certain that he came from South Carolina. He was the second James Abercrombie enumerated in the 1790 census, Laurens County, S.C. His wife Ann, or Mary Ann, and he disappeared from the county after they sold land in 1798. The couple had at least three sons and several daughters.

1. Christiana Abercrombie married Alexander Crawford in Jackson County, Apr. 24, 1807. It is believed that she is a daughter of James and Ann Abercrombie.

2. Barbara Allen Abercrombie married John Stringer in 1809. He was born in 1792 and died May 2, 1856. John Stringer left a will recorded in Hall County and names children: Mary Cruise, Nancy Ann Mullins, Elizabeth Westbrooks, Mahala Garner, Jane A. Hyatt,

William A., John G., Alexander M., Daniel M., and James A. Stringer. Barbara Abercrombie is believed to be a daughter of James and Ann Abercrombie.

3. Abia Abercromby married John Davis in Jackson County, Sept. 8, 1811. Abia is also possibly a daughter of James and Ann Abercrombie.

4. James Abercrombie (2nd) married Mary Hamilton. He was born before 1790 and is one of the James' enumerated in 1820 Hall County census. He died between 1830 and 1840 leaving a large family still residing in Hall.

5. Elizabeth Abercrombie born about 1794, married John Duncan, son of Young Charles Gordon Duncan and his wife Dorcas (Benge) a full-blooded Cherokee of the Deer Clan (History of the Cherokee Indians, 1921, Emmett Starr)

6. Mahala Abercrombie, born about 1798, married Charles Duncan, brother of John Duncan. Both Elizabeth and Mahala went to the Indian Reservation in the West. Records indicate that they both had large families and that they accepted the Government's aid and moved their families West.

7. Young David Abercrombie, born 1803 in Ga., married Susan Montgomery. They were enumerated in 1830 Census Hall County, moved to Polk County, Tennessee before 1850 and later removed to Benton, County, Arkansas before 1860.

8. John Abercrombie, born 1792, in S.C. He married Fannie Cavender, daughter of Clemeth Cavender of Hall County, Ga. John died 1864 or 1865 and is buried in Cavender cemetery alongside Fannie. The cemetery is located near Murrayville, Ga.

John and Fannie Abercrombie were parents of ten children:

1. John Abercrombie married Catharine Peck. They were parents of seven children.

2. James Abercrombie married Sarah Stepp, Lumpkin County, 1839.

3. Clemeth Abercrombie, born 1822, died 1907, married Emeline Jones in 1841.

4. Charles Abercrombie, born 1827, died 1908, married Cynthia Mays in 1846.

5. William Abercrombie, born 1830, died 1885, married Caroline Blackwell in 1848, Lumpkin County. They both are buried in Wahoo church cemetery.

6. Young Abercrombie, born 1832, died 1863, married Isabell Johnson.

7. Washington Abercrombie, born 1835.

8. Joseph Abercrombie, born 1838.

9. Andrew Abercrombie, born 1846.

10. Fanny Abercrombie, married Jarrett Jones in 1855.

Known children of James Abercrombie, Jr. and wife Mary Hamilton:

John Hamilton Abercrombie, born Dec. 20, 1823, Hall County. Died Dec. 10, 1914. Buried in Union County, Ga. He married Apr. 11, 1847, Rebecca Montgomery of Union County. They had 12 children.

Sallie Abercrombie. William Abercrombie went with General Scott to take Cherokee to Reservation and family have no further records.

Jane Abercrombie, born Aug. 11, 1828, died Oct. 4, 1907, married a Mr. Peck.

Wilson Abercrombie lived in Hall County in 1840 and had moved to Polk County, Tenn. by 1850. Married a "Crecy," and had at least six children.

James Columbus Abercrombie married, Dec. 20, 1838, Mary Ann Head. They had at least four children.