

Garners migrated from S. Carolina

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The Garner family cemetery is located off Thompson Bridge Road on Mt. Road, which is the road to Hopewell Methodist Church, across from front of house in front yard of the Alvin Smith property. This homeplace was once known as that belonging to Claude Hulsey.

The burial plot contains headstones for five graves with the following inscriptions: REV. JOHN GARNER born Dec. 23, 1812, died May 3, 1886; MATILDA GARNER born Aug. 1, 1812, died May 13, 1882; JOSEPH A. GARNER born July 9, 1846, died Dec. 21, 1891; LOUISE S. GARNER born Aug. 11, 1848, died May 26, 1897; JOSEPH URBAN GARNER born Dec. 15, 1882, died May 9, 1883.

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John Gardner, son of John Gardner, was born 1852. He married Mary, daughter of Samuel Stowell. Their children were: John, Mary, Ruth, Elizabeth October, Hannah and Remember September.

John Gardner, son of John and Mary, was born Jan. 4, 1884. It was about this generation that the name was changed, or rather shortened to Garner, mainly due to the pronunciation of the name which sounded more like Garner than Gardner. This John married Magdaline ——. To them a son, Benjamin, was born.

Benjamin Garner, son of John and Magdaline, was born 1706. He married Martha Williams. Their children were: John, Thomas, Sarah, Christopher and Melchor.

children were: William, Andrew, and James August Garner. James Garner, son of John, removed to Gwinnett County, about 1825 and was married to Mary Brice in 1818. Their children were: William, born 1819, and married Elizabeth Puckett; James, born 1820, married Margaret Lanier; Emelia, 1822, married a Mr. Austin; Mary, 1824, married a Mr. Cain; John, 1828, married Emily Hale; Andrew, 1831, married Perlina Ann Pounds; Thomas, 1833, married Elizabeth Jones; Sarah, 1836, married a Mr. Gadis; Betty, 1839, married Joseph A. Hannah; James Garner died Oct. 15, 1869 and Mary Brice Garner died July 21, 1879.

The names John, Thomas and William have come down through almost every generation. The 1820 census of Hall County enumerates a William Garner who possibly was a brother to the James Garner in Gwinnett County and father to the Rev. John Garner, buried in the family plot near Murrayville.

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Thomas Garner, son of Benjamin and Martha, married Elizabeth Chapman July 9, 1752. Their children were: Sarah, William, Anne and John. Thomas died about 1778.

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Suit to speak to Metro Club

Hal Suit, Republican candidate for governor in 1970, will be the speaker for the Metro Gainesville Kiwanis at its Monday meeting at the Holiday Inn.

Suit will speak on "Today in Georgia."