

*The  
Strickland  
Family  
of Georgia*

and

*Wilson Strickland  
of Gwinnett Co., Ga.*

*Genealogy*



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# The Strickland Family

Foreword: About 1834 Wilson Strickland went from Gwinnett county, Ga., Lawrenceville, Ga., P. O. to Texas. (then not a state). He was in the Mexican war. After the war he was granted land in the state of Texas for his military services.

Thus—Letter from the General land office, State of Texas. city of Austin. Letter from Mr. Wm. H. McDonald, Sept. 16, 1937, as follows: "The records of this office show that land Certificate, 1st class land, No. 423 was issued in the name of Wilson Strickland on the 16th day of March, 1838, for one-third league of land." By virtue of this certificate Wilson Strickland was issued a grant of "one-third league in Montgomery County, Texas. March 26th, 1847, Patent No. 463, Vol. 5 was issued on this land in July 1847."

Letter from Lester K. McGuire, Dist. Clerk, Montgomery County, Conroe, Texas. Dated Sept. 30th, 1937:

We have a lawsuit styled Anna Matilda Wilburn, et al., vs. The J. S. Abercrombie Co., et al., which involves the Wilson Strickland survey in Montgomery County, Texas.

Quite a number of Stricklands are claiming to be heirs of Wilson Strickland all over the South.

The land is valuable oil land and I understand the oil companies are holding up some of this money until they find the legal heirs of Wilson Strickland.

The case is set for trial the first Monday in January, 1938.

Note—At this term of the court the case was not settled. On the record books in Montgomery County, Texas, the case is listed as, Wilburn et al, vs. Abercrombie, et al, Case No. 17740.

In April 1939 this case is still open and the Court uncertain as to the real heirs of Wilson Strickland.

## Strickland Genealogy

The family tradition is that a man named John Strickland came from Scotland and located in Virginia; married an Irish girl and from this union there were seven sons.

One of these sons married, and moved to Guilford County, N. C. There were born to this one, five sons, to-wit: Jacob, Solomon, Isaac, Henry and Matthew. All sons were born before 1746. Jacob it is said was born in 1741.

It is said all five of these sons moved to Georgia, and so far as is known their immediate descendants are as follows:

"Old—"Jacob Strickland, born 1741, moved to Nash County, N. C., from Guilford County, N. C. Died in Georgia in 1804. He married Priscilla Young, of Guilford County, N. C. They had five sons and eight daughters as follows:

1—Faith, born August 13, 1767. Married a Myers and moved to Natchez, Miss.

2—Tamar, born October 13, 1768. Married Wm. Gilbert, settled near Danielsville, Ga. This couple in 18—, had a

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daughter, Mrs. Nancy Welch. Marietta, Ga. She left eight children, to-wit: William, Ned, John, Isaac, Jake, Polly, Nancy, and Priscilla.

3—Isaac, born near Guilford Court House, N. C. July 11, 1779, married Nancy Hargrove, December 3, 1799, and settled ten miles west of Danielsville, Ga. Mary died July 2, 1844.

Isaac died January 23, 1857, leaving seven children, to-wit: Matthew, Rebecca, Polly, Betsey, Henry, Isaac, Joel.

4—Jacob, born May 6, 1772. Married Mrs. Mary Sanders, a widow. He settled in Madison County, Ga., where he died, leaving three sons, to-wit: Hardy, Jacob, Tolbert.

5—Mary, born October 17, 1773 married John Gilbert (brother to William) and settled in Franklin County, Ga., where he died. The widow (above) married James Allen and moved to Habersham County, Ga., where James Allen died leaving five Gilbert children and three Allen children. The Gilbert children were: Bill, Jim, Betsey, John, Nancy. The Allen children were: Thomas, Bob and Henry.

6—Hardy Strickland, born January 16th, 1775, married Susan Pyron, of Jackson County, Ga., later settled in Madison County, Ga., where he died about 1832. Hardy left the following children: Betsey, Jacob, Patsey, Nancy, Henry, Priscilla, Hardy and Charles.

7—Priscilla Strickland born 1777, married "Devil" Hardy Strickland, her first cousin, Jackson County, Ga., settled in the same County, where she died leaving the following children: Oliver, Tolbert, Henry, Nancy, Madison, Hardy, and Ansel, children of Priscilla and "Devil" Hardy Strickland.

8—Celia, born July 11, 1779, married Robert Young, of Hall County, Ga., and settled there. She died in Hall County, leaving the following children: Augustus, Wilson, Irene, Delancey, Wiley, Godfrey, Celia, Robert, Curdy, Isaac, Bennett, Nancy.

9—Henry, born December 24, 1781, married Elizabeth Wilkins, of Franklin County, Ga., and settled in Hall County, Ga. He was killed on the main highway of Hall County, Ga., by a traveler about a dog. Henry Strickland left the following children: Clemmons, Isaac, and a daughter whose name is unknown.

10—Wilson Strickland, born in North Carolina, January 14, 1783, married Polly Connally of Franklin County, Ga. He settled there, but later moved to Gwinnett County, Ga.

Note—The writer from whom I am now quoting said that Wilson Strickland died in Gwinnett County, Ga., but some members of the Strickland family deny this.

This writer says that Wilson Strickland had no children. The writer further states that the wife of Wilson Strickland, Polly Connally, was an Aunt of Francis Gaddes.

11—Betsey Strickland, born in North Carolina, November 6, 1785, married a Mr. Eubanks, of Franklin County, Ga. They later moved to Tennessee. She had a son named Robert Eubanks.

12—Nancy Strickland, born December 22, 1787, married James Reyl (or Royal) of Franklin County, Ga., and settled in the same County. She died in that County leaving

the following children: Elizabeth, Bennett, Harriet, Isaac, Martha, and James.

13—Sally Strickland, born in North Carolina, in 1789, married Berry Vaughn. They later moved to Poncoe, Miss., where she died.

The following is data gleaned by the writer (Fitzhugh Lee) from various sources on the Strickland family. Said data given in somewhat chronological order, is authentic.

In 1808, according to the Morgan County, Ga., deed books, Ezekial Strickland, Morgan County, Ga., received a deed from Samuel Crockett, Jackson County, Ga.

Note—Some members of the Strickland family say that Ezekial was a brother of Wilson Strickland.

In 1808, according to the Jasper County, Ga., marriage records, Solomon Strickland was a Justice of the Peace and married couples.

In 1814, in Morgan County, Ga., Elisha Strickland married Mary Ann Holley.

In 1815, in Morgan County, Ga., Richard H. T. Holley married Jane Strickland.

The writer thinks that Jane Strickland was a sister of Erastus Root Strickland, a Methodist Minister, who, about 1846, moved to Mississippi, and was instrumental in building Methodist Churches in said state. It was said during his life he helped build some 100 churches in the state.

In 1848 his wife (formerly Robinson) whom he married in Upson County, Ga., died leaving an infant daughter, Jane Strickland, six weeks of age, this infant daughter was sent to Talbotton, Ga., and reared by an uncle, Cyrus Robinson. She married John Webb Lee in 1868. Died in 1928, buried in the Covington, Ga., cemetery (mother of the writer).

In 1815 in Jasper County, Ga., Wm. Stroud married Ber-sheba (or Bathsheba) Strickland.

In 1820, according to Oliver H. Prince's digest of Georgia laws, 2nd edition, page 721, the Georgia legislature appointed Wilson Strickland, Benj. Plaster and David Dixon as commissioners for the County of Gwinnett, to supervise the roads and bridges of the County.

Note—Wilson Strickland was evidently living in Gwinnett at that time, 1820.

In 1824, according to the Newton County, Ga., deed books, Jacob Strickland made a deed to Wm. George. This land was probably in the northern part of the county, near Gwinnett County, Ga.

In 1825, Stephen Strickland made a deed to James Hunter, Newton County, Ga.

In 1826, Wilson Strickland made a deed to James Hodge, sr. This land lay probably near Gwinnett County, Ga.

In 1825 in Newton County, Ga., Jacob Strickland made a deed to Joseph Weir. This land lay probably in the Southern part of the County.

In 1825, Wilson Strickland made a deed to James Hodge, Jr.

In 1823, in Newton County, Ga., Stephen D. Strickland made a deed to James Hunter.

Note—The following marriages of the Stricklands are probably children of Ezekial Strickland.