

Also sp. Ayers. Thomas Ayres from Southampton Co., Va., d. 1773 Richmond Co., Ga., his LWT dtd 2/1/1772, pvd 7/13/1773, St. Paul's Parish. 2/5/1771, 250 acres granted to Thomas Ayres, in Columbia Co., Ga. Wife, Mary. Issue follows:

I. Elizabeth Ayres m. Francis Danielly of Columbia Co., Ga., per deeds.

II. Abraham Ayres, decd by 1781, recd bounty lands Franklin Co., Ga. 1784. Heirs lived Washington Co., Ga.

III. Thomas Ayres, b. ca 1760, lived Greene Co., Ga. 1794., d. Baldwin Co., Ga. Wilkes Co. Ga. deed 3/31/1787 Thomas Ayres of Richmond Co. to Isaac Williams, 575 acres Buffalo Cr., Washington Co. The City Gazette dtd 3/27/1816: "Died 15th inst., Mrs. Sarah Ayres, wife of Thomas Ayres of Baldwin Co. in her 56th year."

IV. Benjamin Ayres.

V. Samuel Ayres., Rev. War Soldier, lived Huntsville, Ala.

VI. Joshua Ayres.

VII. Bridget Ayres m. James Danielly, per various Columbia Co. Ga. deeds.

VIII. William Ayres, one of apprs. est. Daniel Payne, decd, 1782 in Wilkes Co., his LWT dtd 1/3/1800, pvd 1/18/1800 Lincoln Co., Ga., Bk A, P. 23. His wid., Frances, drew in 1805 land lottery, from Columbia Co. Issue: Mary McQuarters; Bridget Holliday; Elizabeth Booth; Thomas Ayres who m. Nancy Wade 7/23/1815 Wilkes Co., Ga.; Sarah Ayres; and Abraham Ayres who m. Elizabeth Mills, dau. of Alexander Mills of Newford Creek, now Lincoln Co., Ga.

Lincoln Co. DB C, P. 60-62, 11/25/1794, Thomas Ayres to Lamar Basil. Wilkes Co. DB 1, 3/31/1787, Thomas Ayres of Richmond Co. to Isaac Williams of Wilkes Co., 575 acres on Buffalo Creek, Washington Co. Ga. Wilkes Co., 8/17/1781, Isaac Williams to Samuel Davis, pt. of 500 acres orig. granted to heirs of Abraham Ayres in Washington Co.

Daniel, Asa, Baker, Gadwell, Moses Sr. and Jr., and Obediah drew in 1805 Ga. Land Lottery, from Franklin Co. Frances, the wid. of William, drew from Columbia Co., as did Capt. John Ayres, and Thomas Ayres of Little River.

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Thomas Ayers who died 1773 in Richmond County, Georgia, was born 1/1/1733 in Baltimore County, Maryland.

Samuel Ayers, sn of Thomas, died 1827 in Huntsville, Madison County, Alabama

William Ayers, son of Thomas, died 1/1800 in Lincoln County, Georgia.

Abraham Ayers, son of Thomas, died 7/6/1783 in Columbia County, Georgia.

Columbia County Deed Book A, 7/20/1797. Thomas Ayres and wife, Sarah, William Wright and wife, Mary of Greene County, Francis Danelly and wife, Elizabeth of Wilkes County, James Danelly and wife, Bridget, William Ayres and wife Frances and John Ayres and wife Mary, all of Columbia County, sell to John Lazenbury for 200 pounds sterling, 250 acres on Great Kiokee Creek (from a 500-acre tract) on Great Kiokee Creek, bounded by Claiborne, Castlesberry and McDowell.

Another deed in Columbia County dated 2/26/1801 of Thomas Ayres to James Cartledge, 44 acres of land on Little River being part of a 200 acre grant to William Candler on 11/1/1774 conveyed by Candler to Telfair and by Telfair to Ayres.

Another deed in Columbia County dated 1/25/1784, an Agreement between Hezekiah Kindrick, John Kindrick and Thomas Ayres of Greene County, Nathaniel Offutt Kindrick, David York, Thomas Kindrick, Samuel Kindrick and Anne Kindrick of Columbia County to William Magruder for 100 pounds, 150 acres on Kiokee Creek, being part of a 250 acre land grant from Thomas Ayres, Sr. to John Kindrick granted in Savannah on 2/5/1771.

The Last Will and Testament of John Ayres in Columbia County dated 11/30/1833, probated 8/8/1837 named heirs: daughter, Nancy, wife of Robert Wade; granddaughter, Mary Ann Rees, formerly Mary Ann Wade. Remainder of estate to unnamed Wade grandchildren.

Ref: St. Paul's Church Register, Baltimore, Maryland;