LESTER

James Lester was b. 1754 in N. C., d. 6/18/1812 Baldwin Co., m. Henrietta, b. 1762, d. 7/10/1818. They are both buried in the Lester Family Cemetery. The LWT of James Lester, Baldwin Co., Ga. Will Book A, page 157-158, dated 2/13/1819, probated 6/27/1820.

Quoting from McCall's Roster of the Revolution: "James Lester, died 1820, buried Smith-Lester Cemetery, Baldwin Co... Hww.yeorgan Research Helper published by Jeannette Holland Austin

James Lester was listed on the 1790 Newberry Co., S. C. Census, 96th District, as follows - one male over 16, one male under 16, 4 females.

Quoting from Newberry County, S. C. History and Genealogy, page 4: "Early pioneers and settlers were scotch-irish, irish, German, mingled with English and French in a smaller degree...southwest of the Town of Prosperity were such pioneers as Archibald Boyd (from PA), James Lester, Samuel McQueens, Nathan Hunter and others."

Issue:

- I. James D. Lester, b. Ca 1796, listed on 1820 Putnam Co., Ga. Census, m. Mason W. Turner 6-13-1816 Putnam Co., Ga. Buried Lester Family Cemetery..
- II. Benjamin T. Lester 7/24/1797-4/30/1848 Baldwin Co., Ga., buried Lester Cemetery. He m. Mississippi W. Bower 1/29/1846 Baldwin Co., Ga.
- III. Celia Lester m. 12/6/1807 John H. Smith in Baldwin Co., Ga. www.georgiapioneers.com
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IV. Eli Lester.

V. William B. Lester 10/25/1811-5/16/1883, buried Lester Family Cemetery.

References: Lester Family Cemetery, 8 miles North of Milledgeville, on Hwy 24, lower Macon Road, in a field on the left-hand side of the road; McCall's Roster of the Revolution; Newberry County, S. C. History and Genealogy by Sumner; Baldwin Co., Ga. Probate Records; Baldwin Co. Marriages; 1820 Putnam Co., Ga. Census.