

GA.032 INFORMATION ON THE HILL-LASSITER FAMILIES OF GEORGIA
AND THEIR CONNECTIONS.

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Source of Information: Many different articles.

Note: The Lassiter family originated in North Carolina. It is said that the Lassiter family contained quite a bit of Indian Blood in their veins.

BRIEF LASSITER INFORMATION.

From Mrs. Margaret M. Hofmann's Book entitled "Halifax Co., N.C. Wills 1758-1824," we have they following:

Page 45, In the Will of Lemuel Nicholson, dated 1st February 1773, shows that he purchased 145 acres of land from William Lassiter.

Page 70, shows in the Will of William Taylor, dated 8th Nov. 1785, that a Judith Lassiter was a witness to this will.

Page 76, Will of John Ricks, dated 2nd May 1786, a Demsey Lassiter was a witness to this will.

Page 88, Will of Sarah Hill (Wife of Thomas Hill 4/, son of Robert Hill 3/) dated 24 Jan. 1791, Sarah wills a colt to CHRISTIAN LASSITER (sister to Benjamin Lassiter) along with her daughters: Sally Alston; Fanny McNeill; Nanny Long. Witness was her son Robert Hill and son in law Matthew Jones.

Page 101, Will of Jesse Turner, dated 29th November 1795, Sion Lassiter was a witness.

Page 149, Will Number 826, Page 528, Will of Blake Lassiter dated 21 Aug. 1809 states Willis Lassiter of Warren Co., Ga. (gets) all of my estate including the Negroes in the possession of Wm. G. Grimes of Greene Co., Ga. Witnesses: Septimus Weathersby, T. Cocroft. Executors: None listed. Probate indicates "will offered for probate by David Day and was caveated by Isaac Edwards...Jury stated said paper writing does contain will of the said Lassiter.

A INDEX OF LASSITER WILLS IN GEORGIA

NAME	YEAR	COUNTY	WILL BOOK	PAGE
ABRAHAM LASSETER	1842	WILKINSON	EA (1838-1850	180
ROBERT LASSETER	1850	MONROE	BOOK B	43
TOBIAS LASSETER	1804	GREENE	WA B	64A
WILLIAM LASSETER	1856	BURKE	BOOK A	14
BLAKE LASSITER	1811	WARREN	BOOK B	9

BENJAMIN LASSITER

Benjamin Lassiter (1778-1869) is said to have been born in Nash County, N.C. It is known that he had a sister named Christian Lassiter.

He married Elizabeth Hill, said to be a daughter of a William Hill & his first unknown wife, but who's second marriage was to a widow named Lydia White Jones. William Hill died in Jasper County, Ga. in 1809.

Information from Mrs. Dudley Layne of Waco, Texas, says that she was related to the White family not the Hill or Jones family. She says that the William Hill, who's 2nd marriage was to Lydia White Jones was previously married & his first wife's name is unknown, but had two daughters. They were:

1. Elizabeth Hill, born 17th February 1785 in SC, and who died on the 14th of July 1852, who was buried in the Lassiter Family Graveyard on Carroll County, Georgia. She married Benjamin Lassiter on the 5th of May in Greene County, Georgia.
2. Mary Hill, born ca. 1789/90, died 24th July 1837 in Carroll County, Georgia, and who is also buried in the Lassiter family graveyard in that county. She married in 1812 to Cheadle Cochran (1788-1854).

One very important fact, this William Hill WAS NOT the William Hill 4/ of Chatham County, N.C. that came into Hancock County, Ga. ca. 1803 as has been claimed by Mr. Seward, another researcher. It appears that this Wm. Hill that m. Lydia White Jones came from SC.

When William Hill (father of the two daughters above) married 2nd time to Lydia White Jones, William Hill 4/ (son of Robert Hill 3/ of Halifax Co., N.C.) was STILL IN CHATHAM COUNTY, NC!

When the above William Hill's estate was probated, a Moses Speer made a return (not dated) on the estate and included payments to both C. Cochran and B. Lassetter, and "Sundry debts."

Children of Benjamin Lassiter & Elizabeth Hill:

1. Sallay (sic) Lassiter, b. 9 August 1803, d. 4 Jan. 1856, m. Bassett Northern.
2. Marie Lassiter, b. 30 June 1805, d. 5 May 1893, m. Wesley Cany.

3. Pherabee Lassiter, b. 3 Feb. 1807, d. ???, m. William Boone.
4. Hannah Lassiter. b. 10 March 1809, d. ???, m. Benjamin Templeton Watkins.
5. Mary Lassiter, b. 9 Feb. 1811, d. ???, m. William Herndon.
6. Nancy Lassiter, b. 4 Feb. 1813, d. ???, m. Jesse Boone.
7. John H. Lassiter, b. 10 May 1815, d. 17 Sept. 1836 m. ??
8. James H. Lassiter, b. 11 Oct. 1817, d. 1864, m. Amanda Laster ??(Lassiter??)
9. William Cheadle Lassiter, b. 6 March 1820, d. 15 Feb. 1888, m. Pharthenic Brown.
10. Benjamin Hill Lassiter, b. 21 Aug. 1822, d. ???, m. Celia Goolsby.
11. Cheadle Charles Lassiter, b. 14 Nov. 1826, d. ???, m. Martha Mullins.

From the names of the above children, it certainly appears that Benjamin Lassiter was very fond of his brother in law, Cheadle Cochran, who married his wife's sister, Mary Hill.

Children of Cheadle Cochran & wife Mary Hill:

1. Elizabeth Cochran, b. 11 Jan. 1813, d. 27 Nov. 1878 at Roanoke, Chambers Co., Ala. She m. William (Willie) Wood (no date of m.). He was b. on 7 Feb. 1808, d. 27 Feb. 1840.
2. William Cochran, b.??, d. 1835 Carroll Co., Ga.
3. Dr. Martin Hill Cochran, MD., b. ??, d. ??, married Ella Gates or Bates, killed by a falling tree in Miss.
4. Winston Hill Cochran, killed in Texas, no dates.
5. James H. (Hill?) Cochran, he died at sister home in Chambers Co., Ala, unmarried, no dates given.
6. Dr. Littleton Hill Cochran, MD, b. 25 May 1820, d. in Campbell Co., Ga. Wife was Sarah Jane Beavers. No dates were given.
7. Berry Wynn Cochran Sr., b. 15 Nov. 1828, d. 27 Jan. 1895, m. Alice Brewster, b. 12 Oct. 1844, d. 21 Jan. 1922 at Palmetto, Ga. He was a Captain in Company A, 56th Ga, Regiment, CSA. Had a son (Junior)
8. Owen Henry Cochran, b. 1830, d. 5th Dec. 1909 at Palmetto, Ga. He m. 1st Margaret J. Haralson; 2nd Mrs, Virginia Lathem Howard; 3rd m. to Mrs. Stevie Memefee.

It is very obvious that Cheadle Cochran gave his wife Mary Hill, the opportunity of naming their children after her Hill family. Also notice that BOTH Elizabeth Hill Lassiter and Mary Hill Cochran (sisters) named a son James H. (Hill?). Is it possible that he was their grandfather Hill, father to their father William Hill ?

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