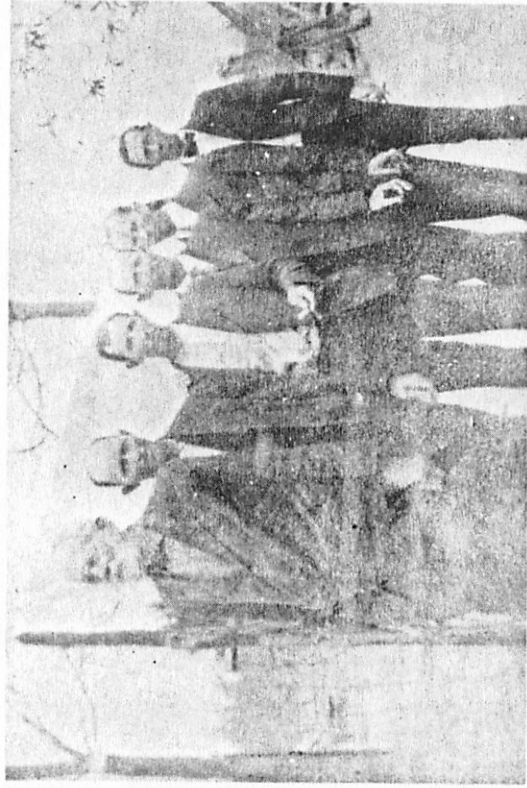


# A History of the Jones Family



JIM P. JONES III



## JIM P. JONES AND FIVE SONS

JONES, JOHN

1745-1787

EFFINGHAM COUNTY

John Jones was born in North Carolina, about 1745, a son of Abraham Jones. Abraham Jones was an immigrant from Scotland. He was of Irish descent and his wife was of English descent. He landed at Charleston, S. C. The family moved to Georgia during John Jones' boyhood, locating in St. Matthews Parrish. He was married there Sept. 15, 1769, to Mrs. Mary Powell Brown, and to them were born two children, viz:

1. James—b. 1772, m. Nancy Delk
2. Civility—b. 1777, m. Isham Walker

On Oct. 30, 1793, Mrs. Jones who was a widow at that time made a deed of gifts to the above two children, conveying her home place in Effingham County, also all her cattle and other livestock, and all her household goods etc. (See deed book "B," pp. 13-14, Effingham County).

John Wilson was named trustee for the children during their minority. The home place consisted of fifty acres which had been granted to her as a widow on Dec. 10, 1788. Effingham County deed records show that James Jones on Oct. 7, 1795, deeded his undivided interest in his property to his sister, Civility; and Feb. 5, 1796, she sold same to John G. Neidlinger, of Effingham, County (Deed Book C-D, p. 294.) At the time of the execution of the deed, Civility who is referred to in the deed as "spinster" was residing in Liberty

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County. She later moved with her brother to Glynn County where she married Isham Walker in 1797.

John Jones was a Revolutionary soldier, and was granted 287½ acres of bounty land in Washington, County, for his services, Jan. 3, 1785. He died about two years later of Brights disease; wounds and exposure received during the war having shortened his life.

JONES, JAMES

1772-1844

CHARLTON COUNTY

James Jones was born in Effingham County in 1772, and was a son of John Jones and his wife, Mrs. Mary Powell Jones. The marriage of his parents is recorded in Effingham County, and shows that they were married Sept. 15, 1769. They had two children, viz. James Jones and Civility Jones; the latter married Isham Walker.

James came to Glynn County when about grown. He is found there on the 1794 tax digest of that county. On May 2, 1804, he was commissioned Lieutenant of the militia in the 28th district, Camden County. He was Justice of the Peace of the 28th district, 1811-1812. He was also appointed Justice of the Peace of the 23rd District Nov. 11, 1815. This territory was later added to Wayne County. Isham Walker and his wife, Civility, were residents of Camden County about the same time.

The Walker and Jones families lived in the western portion of Camden County, territory now in Charlton and Brantley Counties. James Jones and his family also lived a short while in Nassau County, Florida.

Soon after the formation of Ware County in 1825, he moved to that county (portion now in Brantley County) and record is found of his commission as ensign in the 59th district of Ware County Nov. 22, 1825, and as 2nd Lieutenant in the same district May 16, 1832. He was named by the Legislature Dec. 23, 1826, as a trustee of the Poor School Fund of Ware County. He served as one of the Justices of Inferior Court in Ware County 1827-29.

James Jones and his wife were received by letter Sept. 7, 1822, into the High Bluff Primitive Baptist Church, in present Brantley County. Mr. Jones was clerk of High Bluff Church 1835-37. He was elected a deacon by his church Nov. 9, 1822, and was ordained May 10, 1823. On the occasion of his ordination he was also licensed to preach in the Pidgeon Creek community (which was and is in Nassau County, Florida).

They were dismissed by letter Jan. 11, 1845, to unite in constituting a new church which was called "The Buffalo Church" located at the present village of Hickox.

The wife of James Jones was Nancy Delk, born 1779, in North Carolina. She spent her last years with her son James, Jr., and died in 1853, while visiting in the home of her daughter Harriet Ellis near Lake City, Fla.

The children of James and Nancy Jones are as follows:

1. Nancy—b. 1798, m. Wm. Bryant. After marriage moved to Mississippi and died there at age of 45 years.
2. Elizabeth—b. 1800, m. Wiley Lee. After marriage moved to Hamilton County, Fla., where she died at age of 35 years.
3. Burrel—b. 1803 m. Margaret (Peggie) Mizell, daughter of Jesse, R. S., of Camden County.
4. Nathaniel—b. 1805, m. Heziah Johnson, moved to Alachua County, Fla.
5. Harley—b. 1807, m. Louise Cason, moved to Nassau County, Fla. Served in Fla., Legislature, 1854, died March 1867.
6. Harriet—b. 1811, m. Vinson Ellis. After marriage moved to Columbia County, Fla., died there at age of 80 years.
7. James, Jr., b. 1814, m. Sarah (Sallie) Mizell, daughter of Jesse, R. S., and 2nd marriage to Jane Albritton, daughter of Thomas.

James B. Jones who gave this information, said his grandfather Jones, he thought, was buried at Spanish Creek Cemetery in Charleston County. If not there, he would be at High Bluff Cemetery in Brantley County. It is thought that the widow was buried at High Bluff. James Jones served in Capt. Wm. Ccne's Company of Camden County militia in 1838 in the Indian War.

Census Ref. 1820, Glynn, 1830, Ware, 1840, Camden.

JONES, JAMES, JR.

1814-1853

CAMDEN COUNTY  
(Now Brantley County)

James Jones, Jr., was born in Camden County, March 26, 1814, a son of James and Nancy Delk Jones. The family moved to Wayne (now Brantley) County where he grew to manhood. He was married Dec. 15, 1830, to Sarah (Sallie) Mizell. She was born Jan. 27, 1813, and died Oct. 31, 1849, four days after the birth of her eleventh child. On June 15, 1850, Mr. Jones married Jane Albritton, daughter of Thomas. She was born in 1830, and died in 1913.

The fourteen children in their order were as follows:

1. Mary—b. Dec. 24, 1831—m. James Knox, son of Redic Knox.
2. Civility—b. March 13, 1833—m. Matthew Albritton, son of Thomas.
3. Nancy—b. June 16, 1834—m. Andrew J. Albritton son of Thomas.
4. Isabelle—b. April 6, 1836—m. James Griffin.
5. Gideon—b. July 13, 1838—
6. James P.—b. March 25, 1840—m. first Nancy Crews, daughter of Micajah. Second Mrs. Susan Long, daughter of Wm. Summerall.
7. Jessie—b. April 23, 1842—died young.
8. Nathaniel—b. March 19, 1844—Probably died young.
9. Harriet—b. May 18, 1845—Probably died young.
10. Edward B.—b. March 23, 1847—m. Jane Tucker, daughter of

Isaac.

11 Owen H.—b. October 27, 1849—m. Adeline Cason, daughter of John B.

12. Sarah Jane—b. March 31, 1851—m. James Brown of Pierce County.

13. Charlotte—b. August 29, 1852—m. Joseph W. Griner of Pierce County.

14. Harley—b. March 8, 1854—Died in infancy.

Soon after marriage Mr. Jones settled on lands in the 590th District of Ware County (now Brantley) not far from High Bluff Church, (later known as the Nell Martin place) at this writing known as the O. G. Lee place. Here he came to have a large plantation and carried on his operations with slave labor. He owned 9 slaves.

On August 26, 1853, he was hacked to death with a hoe in the hands of a Negro boy named George, a slave of James Griffin, Sr., a neighbor, the boy having been loaned to Mr. Jones to do some work. His remains were buried in the cemetery at High Bluff Church, where his deceased wife had been buried. The murderer was captured and hung.

James Jones, Jr., at the time of his death was Justice of Ware Inferior Court, having been elected to the office in 1850 at a special election. His sons-in-laws, James Knox and Matthew Albritton, R. S., were the administrators of his estate. Mr. Jones was a member of High Bluff Primitive Baptist Church at his death. He was received into the church through baptism, Sept. 13, 1846. He was a private in Capt. James Walker's Company of Ware County militia in the Indian War, 1838-1840, and was Captain of a Company of Ware County militia in August and September, 1840.

#### JONES, JAMES (Jim P.)

#### BRANTLEY COUNTY

James P. Jones was born March 25, 1840, in what is now Brantley County about two miles southwest of Schlattersville. He was about nine years old when his mother died and about thirteen years old when his father died.

He was twenty years old when the Civil War started, 1861. He volunteered July 16, 1861, and was in Co. E, 26th Ga. Regiment, Gordon's Brigade. He had four years of hard warfare and was given an honorable discharge April 12, 1865, at the Appomattox Court House, Va., where General Robert E. Lee surrendered to General U. S. Grant.

He was a non-commissioned officer, frequently arresting men and doing extra duties such as serving as a captain in the absence of a captain. He also served in the absence of the orderly sergeant. At the surrender of Lee to Grant in April, 1865, he was in charge of two companies as a captain. He has a record of nineteen battles. At one time he and one other man captured eight prisoners. He had many narrow escapes, receiving four wounds. He lost one finger

had a fractured skull, was shot through the arm, and sustained a broken thigh. He served in two states, Virginia and Maryland.

Battles and skirmishes in which James Jones, III, fought during the Civil War.

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| 1. Cold Harbor, Va.              | 10. Winchester, Va.      |
| 2. Sharpsburg, Md.               | 11. Cedar Creek, Va.     |
| 3. Wilderness, Va.               | 12. Shepherdstown, Va.   |
| 4. Locust Grove, Va.             | 13. Rappahannock, Va.    |
| 5. Shepherdstown, Va.            | 14. Rapidan, Va.         |
| 6. Manassas, Va.                 | 15. Fishers Hill, Va.    |
| 7. Snicker Gap, Va.              | 16. Sardis Creek, Va.    |
| 8. Winchester, Va.               | 17. Hatchers Run, Va.    |
| 9. Spotsylvania Court House, Va. | 18. Armstrongs Mill, Va. |
|                                  | 19. Petersburg, Va.      |

They marched from Petersburg to Appomattox Court House where General Lee surrendered to General Grant. They were discharged with a very small amount of provisions. He walked home to Georgia riding only a few miles.

He arrived home May 2, 1865. After arriving home he enjoyed about eight months of hunting in south Georgia and north Florida.

January 10, 1866, James P. Jones married Nancy Crews, daughter of Micajah and Emaliza Crews. They were both members of the Primitive Baptist Church at High Bluff. Nancy Crews was born Nov. 11, 1847, and died Oct. 23, 1890, of tuberculosis.

To this marriage were born 14 children, ten living to be married. His second marriage was to Mrs. Susan Summerall Long, Dec. 8, 1892 (no issue).

1. Jesse M.—b. June 14, 1867—died Nov. 16, 1868.
2. James E.—b. Nov. 5, 1868—m. Mary Walker, daughter of Randall—Oct. 30, 1895. He died March 17, 1932; she died April 8, 1955.
3. Owen Bryant—b. Nov. 30, 1869—died Feb. 12, 1883.
4. Sallie—b. March 3, 1871, m. Wiley E. Carter, August 31, 1892, —died June 10, 1913.
5. Mary Ella—b. Aug. 23, 1872, m. Edward B. Newton, Dec. 21, 1892. Died Oct. 8, 1921. He died Aug. 10, 1960.
6. Johnnie M.—b. Jan. 13, 1864, m first Avie Dryden, Dec. 27, 1899, died June 22, 1952. Second Mrs Vashti Strickland.
7. Perry M.—b. March 17, 1875, m. Hattie Dryden Jan. 2, 1909.
8. Harley—b. Aug. 27, 1876, died Jan. 2, 1878
9. Charley—b. March 21, 1878, died Nov. 5, 1879.
10. Isabelle—b. Dec. 13, 1879, m. Demery Strickland, June 30, 1897, died Oct. 21, 1901.
11. Emily Marie—b. March 19, 1881, m. Keight Strickland, April 26, 1899. Died April 13, 1901.
12. Henry H.—b. May 22, 1883, m. Elizabeth Howell.
13. Everett R.—b. Nov. 8, 1885, m. first Cora Baxter, second

Pearl.

14. Margaret—b. Sept. 4, 1887, m. W. M. Preston, of Roanoke, Va. Died October 15, 1952.

James Jones, III, continued to be a farmer and lived in what is now Brantley Countl. The main place he reared his family was one mile southeast of Hoboken. His children always held a warm place in their hearts for this old home place. While there he served as Notary Public, Justice of the Peace and was a member of the Board of Education for eight years. His wife died while living there, leaving him with ten children at home. (Five boys and five girls). She died in 1890.

On Dec. 8, 1892 he married Mrs. Susan Long. In 1898 they moved three miles northwest of Blackshear. After all of his children, except one, had married and left home, he moved to the edge of Blackshear. He and his second wife were married 25 years, she died in 1918. He then moved back to Hoboken and in October, 1918, he went to live with his daughter, Mary Ella and her husband Edward B. Newton. It was during this time that his daughter secured this information from him. He was 81 years old at the time. She died Oct. 8, 1921, before she finished writing this history. After her death he went back to Pierce County near Blackshear to live with his son, James E. Jones, who was the fourth James Jones. He was living there when he died May 23, 1924, at the age of 84 years.

**CREWS, ALEXANDER**

1775-1845

**BRANTLEY COUNTY**

Alexander Crews was the forefather of most of the large Crews family of Wiregrass, Ga. and northern Fla. He was born about 1755 in Charleston District, S. C., in the portion now in Colleton County, and was a son of John Crews. He was married twice, but his first wife's name cannot be learned. His second wife Lucy, was born 1785, in this State of Georgia, her maiden name unknown. The first four children in the list that follows were by the first wife, and the remainder by the second wife:

1. Stephen—b. 1795, m. Elizabeth Larrisy.
  2. William—b. 1797, m. Sarah \_\_\_\_\_
  3. Alexander—b. born 1802, m. Sarah \_\_\_\_\_
  4. John—b. 1804, m. Catherine \_\_\_\_\_
  5. Dempsey D.—b. born 1806, m. Piety \_\_\_\_\_
  6. Micajah—b. 1810, m. Emaliza Robinson, daughter of James.
  7. Lavona—b. 1815, m. \_\_\_\_\_ Larrisy
  8. James—b. 1819, m. Susan Crews, daughter of Isham.
  9. Samuel—by. 1820, m. Mary Jones.
  10. Archibald—b. 1821, m. Lucretia Purdom, daughter of Thomas.
  11. Bryant—b. 1824, m. Nancy Jones, daughter of Bob.
- Of the above sons, William, Alexander and John moved to Colum-

bia County, Fla. Dempsey moved to Manatee County, Fla., and Samuel moved to Bradford County.

Alexander Crews moved to Camden County in 1819, from South Carolina. He served in Capt. Daniel N. Cone's Company of Camden County militia in the Indian War, in 1838. The Crews homestead was originally in Camden County near Winokur, but was placed in Charlton County in 1854, when it was created out of Camden. Since 1923, it has been in Brantley County. Mr. Crews died about 1845 and his wife died several years later. They were buried on a "Buffalo" west of Winokur, back of the Jim Hickox place, according to a grandson, the late Bryant Crews of Ware County.

Census Ref. 1820, 1830, 1840, Camden County.

**CREWS, MICAJAH**

**1810-1877**

**BRANTLEY COUNTY**

Micajah Crews was born in South Carolina Feb. 10, 1810, a son of Alexander and Lucy Crews. His parents moved to lower Wayne County, Ga., in 1820, and he grew up in Wayne and Camden Counties and lived in that section until his death. He married ~~Ematta~~ <sup>Ematta Summerall</sup> daughter of James Robinson, an early settler of Wayne County. She was born in North Carolina, Jan. 7, 1822, and died Dec. 22, 1896. There were 17 children born to Mr. and Mrs. Crews, however, only ten lived to be grown and married. They were:

1. Easter—b. 1840, m. Jesse Altman.
2. Civility—b. 1842, m. William B. Griffin.
3. Bryant—b. 1842, m. Mary Dowling, daughter of David C.
4. Nancy—b. 1847, m. James P. Jones.
5. Riley—b. 1849, m. Mary Cason.
6. Hampton J.—b. 1853, m. first Lusina Summerall; second, Bathsheba Guy. Third, Mrs. Sallie Robinson Lowther.
- 7 Archibald—b. 1854, m. Martha Griffin, daughter of Dempsey, Sr.
8. Kizzie—b. 1857, m. William Randall Anderson.
9. Banner—b. 1859, m. first Hattie Griffin, daughter of Dempsey, Sr., second, Lovey Thomas.
10. Emma—b. 1860, m. Riley Dowling, moved to Fla.

Mr. Crews died at his home near Hickox, Ga., Oct. 3, 1877. He and his wife are both buried at High Bluff Primitive Baptist cemetery.

Census Ref. 1840, 1850, Ware County. 1860 Pierce County.

1960—

The first annual reunion of the James Jones family met at the Laura Walker State Park on October 1, 1960.

The following officers were elected:

President—Emeline Jones—Blackshear, Ga.

Secretary—Susie Jones—Jesup, Ga.

The 4th Sunday in June was set as the annual meeting date and



Laura Walker Park set as the meeting place.

A nice basket dinner was served at twelve-thirty o'clock.

The afternoon was spent visiting with a large crowd of the James Jones family. Henry H. Jones, of Lakeland, Georgia, is the only living child of James Jones, III, of which the reunion is in honor.

The following relatives were present: Mr. and Mrs. Henry Jones and children, of Lakeland.

Mr. and Mrs. James Carlos Jones and children of Jesup, Mrs. Ruth Brewton, Bristol, Ga.; Mr. F. R. Newton, Nahunta, Ga.; Mr. and Mrs. Randal Jones and children, of Blackshear, Ga.; Mr. and Mrs. Johnnie M. Jones and children, of Bristol, Ga.; Mr. and Mrs. Owen Carter and children, of Hoboken, Ga.; Mr. and Mrs. Dalton Rogers and children, of Blackshear, Ga.; Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Walker and children, of Blackshear, Ga.; Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Jones and children, of Hoboken, Ga.; Mr. and Mrs. T. W. Lastinger, Hoboken, Ga.; Miss Martha Darminy, Hoboken, Ga.; Mr. and Mrs. Author Carter, Hoboken, Ga.; Mrs. N. C. Davis, Sr., and children, Hoboken, Ga.; Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Jones, Blackshear, Ga; Mrs. Gertie Altman.

Many of the relatives were there to visit that did not register.

1961

On the 4th Sunday in June the James Jones, III, relatives again met at Laura Walker Park with well filled baskets and the dinner was served at twelve-thirty. The day was enjoyed with a large crowd.

The following were there: Mr. and Mrs. Nolan Davis, Sr., Hoboken; Mr. and Mrs. Nolan Davis, Jr., Hoboken; daughters Diane and Judy Davis; Mr. and Mrs. Flint Nichols and children, Mrs. Mildred Brewton Walker and family, Mr. and Mrs. Grover Brewton, Bristol; Mr. and Mrs. Bill Stoghill, Mr. and Mrs. Randall Jones and children, Mrs. Inez Jones Hodges, Brunswick; Mrs. Kathern Jones Howard, Blackshear; Mr. and Mrs. Henry Jones and family, Lakeland; Mr. and Mrs. Dalton Rogers and children, Mrs. Pearl Carter Dixon, Leila Summerall, Waycross, Ga.; Mr. and Mrs. Owen Carter and children, Mr. and Mrs. James Carlos Jones, Jesup; Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Jones and family, Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Jones and family, Miss Emeline Jones, Blackshear; Miss Blanch Jones, Blackshear; Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Carter, Hoboken.

1962

The 4th Sunday in June the James Jones family again met with well filled baskets at Laura Walker Park. Dinner was served at twelve-thirty. James Carlos, Jr., returned thanks to a well filled table and the dinner was enjoyed by the following:

James E. Jones, Emeline Jones, Blanche Jones, Randall E. Jones, Laura J. Jones, Edward Jones, Margaret Jones, Lonese Jones, Henry Jones, Lenda Jones, John Jones, Jesse Jones, Archie B. Jones, Edith B. Jones, Sydney S. Jones, Jimmie Jones, Carole Jones, Sallie Jones Carter, Owen and Mary Carter, Myrtle Murray (Carter) Harry Mur-

ray, Elaine Murray, Ann Murray, Annice Hardy (Carter) Lamar Hardy, Maude and Dalton (Carter) Rogers, Peggy and Reggie Johnson, Ronnie Rogers, Mr. A. J. Carter Crimal, Pearlie and Alpha Dixon (Carter) Ferrell and Martha, Al and Sandra Dixon, Grady and Charlene and Caroline Carter, Gertie and children Altman, Henry H. Jones, Beth H. Jones, Margaret Jones Jossey, Sam Shaw Jossey, Robert E. Jones, Henry Will Jones, Robert E. Jones, Jr., W. F. Spells, Kate Howell Spells, Perry M. Jones, James Carlos Jones, Susie Jones, Louise Jones Justice, E. B. Jones, Georgia Lee Jones Todd, Margie Lee Jones, Perry Jones,, David Justice, Nancy Kay Justice, Sarah Justice, Janet Justice, Margaret Ann Jones, Susie Jean Jones, Sammy Jones, Carol Jones Shriver, Eddy Jones, Leila Summerall, Jerry Zeliff, Nancy Jones Thrift, Richard Thrift, Amelia Thrift, Nita Jcnes, Betty Jones, J. C. Jones, Jr., Inez Jones Hodges, Clyde H. Jones, Mildred L. Jones, Johnny M. Jones, Ann Jones, Terri Jones, Robert Perry Jones, Peggy J. Jones, Robin Marie Jones, Debra Jean Jones, Mary Ellen Jones Newton, Myrtle and Nolan Davis, grandchildren, Diane Davis, Judy Davis, Joyce Thomas, Andy Thomas, Joyce and Flint Nichols, Joan Nichols, Sherry Jones and Marie Shriver.