

COL. MORGAN A. BROWN

Washington County, Georgia

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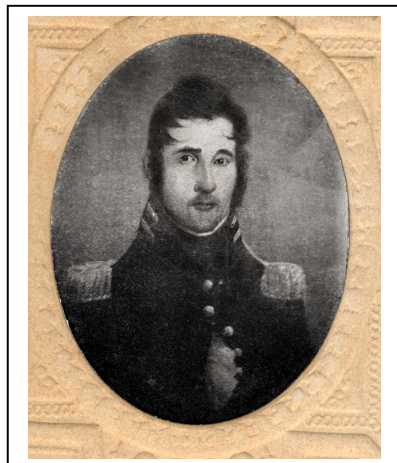
Introduction

Please understand this is a work in progress. I will be attempting to update this on a regular basis as I make time to go through my files and add to and build on this written history. I hope to add references and notes along the way as well.

While I will be glad to hear from you, if you try to contact me I cannot guarantee a response at all let alone timely. Circumstances in my life right now are difficult. Please just come back to this link to check for changes, additions and updates.

Thank you for your understanding,

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Morgan A. Brown was born circa 1788 in South Carolina. At this time, we cannot identify who the parents of Morgan A. Brown were.

In the Washington County, Georgia Surveyor Records, Books D-E, 1788-1793, a Joseph Brown obtained 1 plot of 199 and ½ acres in 1792. His land was bordering a land-owner by the name of Sessions. The 1820 census of Washington County, Georgia lists Morgan Brown who had a neighbor by the name of Joseph Sessions. It is my assumption that Morgan Brown obtained this land as an heir of Joseph Brown after his death.

If we follow up this Joseph Brown theory, we find some more significant evidence. In the 1790 South Carolina census we find a Joseph Brown and a Morgan Brown in the Cheraw District. A John McCall, found near these Browns, is also significant in that he removes to the same part of Georgia where Morgan A. Brown later appears, and in fact Morgan marries this a daughter of John Rawls and Francis McCall.

The Morgan Brown in the 1790 South Carolina is clearly not the Morgan A. Brown of Washington County, Georgia, but Joseph Brown could have been a brother of this Morgan Brown and thus named a son Morgan. Perhaps it is a family name of significance. The elder Morgan applied for a Revolutionary War pension from Davidson County, Tennessee in 1832.

Further research does reveal that this Morgan Brown, born 1758, had a brother Joseph, born 1763, among many other children of Morgan and Elizabeth Brown. This elder Morgan, born 1715 in Maryland, served as a Lieutenant in the Revolutionary War but resigned in late 1777. The other children of Morgan and Elizabeth all have names consistent with the names of the children of Morgan A. and Harriett (Rawls) Brown.

As for the mother of Morgan A. Brown, one speculation is that her name was Mary as the first daughter of Morgan and Harriett was named Mary Frances and said to be named after each grandmother. The mother of Morgan Brown is believed to have died sometime shortly after

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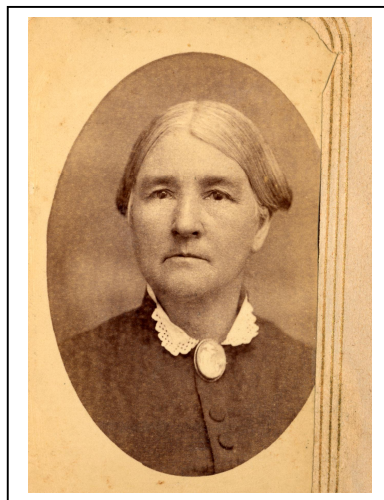
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March 19th, 1839. A letter with that date, written by Morgan Brown, states "I write you with a troubled mind, having spent the night in anxious waiting and expecting the demise of my only parent, my mother." As of 1992, this letter was in the possession of Ann E. Pippen of Washington D.C., another descendant of Morgan Brown.

It is unknown how Morgan Brown obtained the title of Colonel. It is known that Morgan Brown first appears as a Lieutenant in the First Regiment, commanded by Col. Chambers, Georgia Militia, in the War of 1812.

A Morgan Brown appears to have been made Commander of the Washington County Academy on November 20, 1816. Is this Col. Morgan A. Brown?

Col. Morgan Brown married Harriet Rawls on October 22, 1818 by Rev. Nathaniel Melton in Bulloch County, Georgia. Harriet was born circa 1803 in Bulloch County, Georgia to John Rawls and Francis McCall. John Rawls received a bounty grant in Washington County, Georgia in 1796.



Morgan Brown is found to reside in Washington County, Georgia in the 1820 census, 1825 tax list, 1830 and 1840 census.

Col. Morgan Brown possibly built and operated the first and only tavern in Sandersville, Washington County, Georgia before he sold it.

Harriet died on October 22, 1831 in Washington County, Georgia. This happened to be Morgan and Harriet's 13th Wedding Anniversary.

Morgan died on April 22, 1845 in Washington County, Georgia.

Issue of Morgan A. and Harriet (Rawls) Brown:

I. Morgan A. Brown Jr.

Born August 1819 Washington County, Georgia

Died March 1, 1841 Sandersville, Washington County, Georgia

Married Elvira Wicker on September 21, 1838 in Washington County, Georgia

II. Thomas E. (Early) Brown

Born December 20, 1820 Sandersville, Washington County, Georgia

Died December 6, 1888 Sandersville, Washington County, Georgia

Married Fannie A. (Adams?) on May 19, 1856

Born April 11, 1835

Died April 26, 1905

III. Mary Frances Brown

Born about 1823 Washington County, Georgia

Married William B. Harman on April 29, 1845 in Washington County, Georgia

Born about 1818

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IV. Henrietta Brown

Born about 1825 Washington County, Georgia

Died January 7, 1872

Never married

Crippled

V. Ann Eliza Brown

Born January 20, 1827 Sandersville, Washington County, Georgia

Died October 14, 1909 Pelham, Mitchell County, Georgia

Buried Pelham Cemetery, Pelham, Mitchell County, Georgia

Married Theophilus Augustus Rogers on November 28, 1844 in Sandersville,
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Born February 17, 1818 in Bordeaux, Abbeville District, South Carolina

Died April 14, 1883 Euharlee, Bartow County, Georgia

Buried Euharlee Presbyterian Church Cemetery, Euharlee, Bartow County,
Georgia

VI. Harriett (Rebecca?) Brown

Born July 25, 1830 Sandersville, Washington County, Georgia

Died February 19, 1903 Greenville, Butler County, Alabama

Married Andrew Morrow McAlister on December 9, 1857