

Joseph Crews
1794 – After 1850

Joseph was born in 1794 in Colleton County, South Carolina, where his parents are found in 1810 US Census. He was a son of Micajah and Mary Crews. A written record states Mary was a "Pugh" from Wilkes County, Georgia and referenced an Elijah Pugh, as perhaps her father, in that county in 1793. This statement can not be confirmed.

Joseph was in Camden when the 1820 Census was taken, living next to his father and mother in District 29 in the St Mary's area. The only other persons enumerated in this household was a young female between 11 and 14 years of age and a male slave 14 years old or younger.

Early handwritten notes residing in the Crews vertical files in the Bryan-Lang Historical Library indicate he married Catherine Ann Turner, born 1805 in North Carolina.

There were four children of this union:

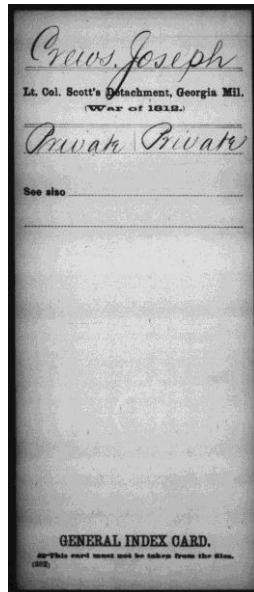
Ann Maria born about 1826 in Camden County, G; married William L. Smith 8 Nov 1848 in Camden.

Joseph C. born 1831 in Camden, married Mary Catherine? He died 27 Nov 1899 in Duval County, Florida.

Virginia born about 1835 in Camden, married Oscar Hart, died 26 Apr 1896 in Otter Creek, Levy County, Florida.

Mary born 1836, married Reuben Henry Charles, died 11 Apr 1878 in Lake City, Florida.

Joseph fought in the War of 1812 as a private Lt. Col. William Scott's Detachment of the Georgia Militia, dates unknown.



The name of the eldest child is based on an entry in the Camden County Deed Books stating, 13 Jan 1831, Maria I. Turner (Catherine's sister) makes a deed of gift of a negro girl to her "beloved niece" Ann Maria Crews and later confirmed in the 1850 census for Duval County, Florida.

Joseph was named as an heir in his father Micajah's will date 9 Feb 1823, along with his mothers, sisters, and niece.

Joseph was called for Jury Duty in the Camden Inferior Court during June 1825 (as both Jr. and Sr. were on this jury) and possibly 1826, though it cannot be determined which Joseph was called.

Joseph was still in Camden when the 1830 Census was taken. In this census he is listed as Joseph Jr. Persons enumerated in this household was a young female under five, another female 15-20, and likely his wife Catherine Turner in the 20–30-year-old range. The female listed between 15-20 is unknown at this time however, this female could be a sister of Catherine (Joseph's siblings are accounted for). Catherine does have at least one known sister, Maria J. Turner.

Joseph and Catherine relocated from Camden to Duval County sometime between 1837 and 1840 as the family was not enumerated in the 1840 Camden County census.

The family still resides in Jefferson, Camden County during the 1840 Census. There is 1 male child (Joseph C. age 5-10) 2 females age 5-10 and 1 female under 5. The female under 5 would be Mary. The two females; one being Virginia and the other would-be Ann Marie. The family resides in the Jefferson/Great Satilla River area.

Joseph and Catherine relocated from Camden to Duval County, Florida sometime between daughter Ann's November 1848 marriage and before the summer of 1850. The family is found in Duval during the 1850 Census. Joseph is 56, Catherine Ann is 45. Three of the four children were enumerated: Joseph age 19, Virginia age 15, and Ann M. (Mary) age 14.

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Camden County Tax Digest Early 1800s- 1830

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1850 US Census, East Jacksonville area, Duval County, Florida.

Daniel Coleman – Descendant of Joseph C. Crews.