Hugh McClellan

From the original Sexton Records:

Not listed

Birth Date: February 3, 1773

Birth Place: Camden, South Carolina

Death Date: August 1847

Cause of Death: Unknown

Burial Place: Winter Quarters, Unknown Grave maybe #189

Father's Name: Hugh McClellan

Mother's Maiden Name: Elizabeth Lusk

Spouse's Name: Mary McCall

Which Winter Quarters Ward or Iowa Branch was the family: Unknown

Where was the family in the 1850 U. S. Census? Hugh and Mary were both deceased

Which Pioneer wagon train took the family west? Hugh and Mary were both deceased

Any interesting facts or stories that might have been submitted.

Hugh McClellan, Jr. was born 13 February, 1773 to Hugh McClellan and Elizabeth Lusk in Camden, York, SC. Hugh's father had established himself as a farmer developing a large plantation in the York District.

It should also be noted that Mecklenburg County North Carolina had been carved out of territory that was once considered part of York District. This is important to our family history as some of these counties are mentioned in family origins. The inhabitants of York County part of the new acquisition to South Carolina were Scottish Presbyterians. There were hard feelings among the Patriots and the Loyalists after the War. Many of those who had supported the British were forced to leave the State. It was not so with Hugh McClellan. We know by his will that he had accumulated a large plantation which he gave to his sons James and Robert. To his son Hugh, Jr. he gave a horse and saddle and a fourth part of his personal property. Hugh would have been 22 years old when his father died. Hugh, Jr. was a resident of his father's home in the 1790 Census. In 1801 when he was 28 years old he married Mary "Polly" McCall also of York County. It is unclear where they lived but they had several children who were born in South Carolina including James Washington our progenitor the second of nine children. With the defeat of the British new lands opened up in the Western Frontier. Hugh, Jr. and Polly moved their family to the new state of Tennessee to an area that had once been considered Indian Lands. Records in Bedford County indicate Hugh purchased over 200 acres from David Wilson located on the Duck River and Caney Springs Creek on 9 February 1810 which is about the time Bedford County was created.

Family records show that Hugh and Polly joined James and Cynthia in Nauvoo and were there for their exodus in 1846. James oldest son, Will, drove Grandfather Hugh's wagon to Winter Quarters. Hugh did not adjust well to the rigors of the move westward. He died in Winter Quarters in August of 1847. Polly died a month later, a victim of snake bite she received while gathering eggs.

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