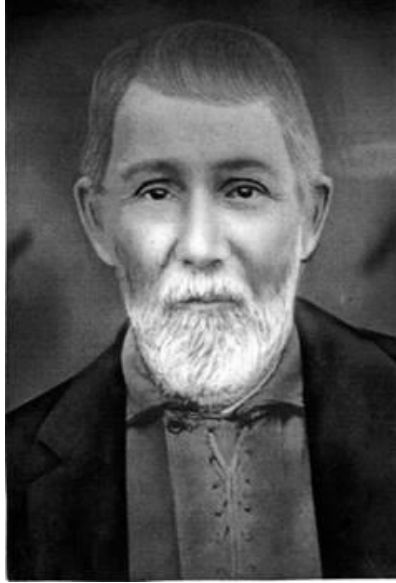


**John Carter Senior
1794 - 1880**

John Carter was born in Colleton District, South Carolina during 1794. John usually signed his name as John Carter, Sr., to distinguish himself from his first cousin, John Carter. John Senior is a son of Elijah Carter. He was married in Colleton County/District, South Carolina about 1825 to his wife Lavinia, sometimes called "Vincy". She was born during 1799 in South Carolina. Her family name is currently unknown. John and Lavinia had eight children:

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| 1. Mary | b. 1828 in SC, m. James Corbett |
| 2. George C. | b. 1830 in SC, m. Lydia Terrell, daughter of John |
| 3. Martin T. | b. 1832 in GA, m. Nancy DeLoach, daughter of General |
| 4. Sarah | b. 1834 in GA, m. William Sauls |
| 5. Frances M. | b. 1836 in GA, never married. |
| 6. Eliza | b. 1840 in GA, m. Rowan Deloach. |
| 7. John H | b. 1842. in GA, m. Jane Terrell, daughter of John |
| 8. Allen W. | b. 1847 in GA, m. Sarah E. Corbett, daughter of Franklin. |



Son, Martin T. Carter Sr, CSA Veteran

Mr. Carter moved from his old home in South Carolina, near Little Salkehatchie River, to Lowndes County, Georgia during 1830.

John Carter was a First Lieutenant in the militia in the 661st District of Lowndes County, 1832-33 and served again in the same company between 1835-39. He served an enlistment as a private under Capt. Samuel E. Swilley in the 2nd Regiment, 2nd Brigade of the Florida Mounted Volunteers, June 16th to Dec. 16th, 1837, in the 2nd Florida Indian War. It was noted he entered this enlistment with one black horse. He was Honorably Discharged from Fort Gilliland on Dec 18. He enrolled at Fort Palmetto in Lowndes County.

John Carter, Sr., was baptized into the membership of Union Primitive Baptist Church; August 9, 1840; and the next year, on June 9, 1841, was dismissed by letter with others, to join in the constituting of Antioch Church which was nearer his home. He became a charter member of Antioch and continued a member there for years, as did his wife.

John, Lavinia, and their children were enumerated in Lowndes County, GA during the 1850 Census. He is listed as 56 years of age, and she was 51.

Their home was cut out of Lowndes into Echols County in 1858,

1860 Echols County, GA Census

CARTER, John Sr. M 66 SC Farmer
Lavinia F 62 SC Wife
Frances M. F 22 GA Seamstress

John C. M 14 GA Ploughman
Allen W. M 13 GA Mary F 32 GA Seamstress

CARTER, George C. M 30 SC Farmer
Lydia F 33 GA Wife
Marcilla F 8 GA
Delitha F 6 GA
George M 5 GA
Nancy F 2 GA
Ann E. F 5/12 GA

By the time of the 1870 Federal Census, John and Vincy are in their seventies. With only Thamie Carter, likely Frances M, as she never married, age 34 living in John's household. Sons George C., Allen, John Junior, Martin; daughters Sarah, Elizabeth and their respective families are living in consecutive numbered farms next to their parents.

1870 16th District, Echols County, GA Census

John Carter	M	76	South Carolina
Vincy Carter	F	72	South Carolina
Thamie Carter	F	34	South Carolina

John died at his home about 1880. His wife passed away soon after. They were buried in the Carter Cemetery in Echols County, not far from their home; graves are no longer marked.



John Carter Home, Echols County, Georgia circa 2000

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