

SAR Patriot Ancestors' Biographies

Sion Murphy

Private in South Carolina Militia. Served in Thomas Brandon's Regt. And was at the fall of Charleston and Anderson's Return

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Sion Murphy was born January 31, 1765 in Union County, South Carolina and died October 26, 1846 in Union County, South Carolina. He married Susannah White in Union County, South Carolina on March 11, 1798. They had 12 children: Isaac Person, Katherine, Nathan, Daniel, Mary White, Sylvia K., Hiram Bryd, Mildred W, Jason Wiley, Jeptha Martin, Susyann Delilah and Edith. He was a planter and farmer.

His father Simon Murphy Jr. was murdered by Tories in North Carolina while on a trip from South Carolina back to a farm he owned in Virginia. The Tories claimed he was a patriot supporter and supplier of material to the patriot cause. Soon after his father's death he and his brother Mark Murphy enlisted into the South Carolina Militia. His mother Sarah Duke Murphy soon after her husband's death started to provide aid to the patriot cause. The family endured many hardships during the war because the Cross Keys area of Union County, South Carolina was a Tory hotbed.

He and his wife are buried on the Murphy - Duncan Family cemetery in Union County, South Carolina.