



## Georgia Marriages to 1850



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### Description:

This database of Georgia marriages to 1850 contains over 165,000 names. Each entry includes groom, bride, marriage date, county, and state. Every name is indexed so you can search for one name, or two names that are linked.

The marriage date is usually the date of marriage as given in the original entry. However, when no marriage date is given (e.g., the "marriage return" was not provided to the record keeper), the date of the license is used. In a few cases, a marriage will be listed twice, but in two different counties. This most often happened when a couple obtained a license in one county, but were actually married in another.

These marriage records, compiled by Liahona Research at the LDS Family History Library in Salt Lake City, UT, unfortunately do not contain citations for the origin of each entry. The purpose of this database is to provide a time and place for as many marriages as possible. It is up to the researcher to examine original records (see the Family History Library Catalog--available at any LDS family history center-- under the heading "Vital Records" for the appropriate locality) and gather whatever additional genealogical information is desired.

### Extended Description:

#### Early American Marriage Collection

The essence of genealogy is the research and discovery of vital records and information about your ancestors and their families. Research on families before the Civil War can be difficult and frustrating because records are accessed by locality and, with the later migrations of American families, we often do not know where our families lived in the early years of this country.

This collection of early American marriages represents years of research gathering marriages from local town and county sources. While these marriages have been published in book form for their individual states, now you can search several nearby states at once with just a few keystrokes. Although not every marriage was recorded, or later found as this collection was assembled, you will surely find many of your early relatives, often in places you never planned on searching.

Ancestry is pleased to present this collection of early American marriages, now available in electronic form to make searches easier than ever before. This collection is based on years of research by Jordan R. Dodd

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and his staff at Liahona Research and was first published as a series of books by Precision Indexing Publishers, a division of American Genealogical Lending Library of Bountiful, Utah. Liahona Research conducted their searches in the world-famous collections of the Family History Library in Salt Lake City and all the marriages in this collection can be found in the myriad of records at that library. The staff at Liahona poured through published books and microfilmed copies of original records to collect these marriages.

### **Cautions About this Collection**

Every effort was made to keep the spelling in the original text, and to find all possible records for the time period covered. However, many county records were destroyed by fire, floods, neglect, and carelessness.

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There are records that may have been overlooked, misspelled, or not available to the researchers. Therefore, if a marriage is suspected to have occurred, but is not in this collection, further research in additional sources may locate the evidence.

### **Finding the Original Marriage Record**

Unfortunately, Liahona Research did not indicate which sources were used in this process, nor did they provide citations for the origin of each entry. However, careful researchers who wish to examine the original source will find sufficient information to lead them to that source. Most early American marriages were recorded by the county (except in the northeastern states) and this collection provides the county for virtually every marriage.

To find the original source, check the Family History Library Catalog under the name of the state, then the county and then the subject heading #Vital Records.# (The catalog is available at the library in Salt Lake City, and at more than 3,000 branches or *family history centers* throughout the world. Read through the catalog entries and locate one or more sources that include marriages for the year of interest. Obtain that source, and look for the marriage entry. In original records, most marriages are listed chronologically with the earliest date first. Also check for published books which may include the marriage entry. If none of the records listed under the county name include the marriage you are seeking, look in the catalog under the name of the state and the heading Vital Records. Some state-wide books may have been used to compile this collection.

### **Source Information:**

Dodd, Jordan R, et. al. *Early American Marriages: Georgia to 1850*. Bountiful, UT: Precision Indexing Publishers, 19xx.

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Search Terms: RAINWATER (24)

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Marriage		Date			Context	
* Freeney, Susan A. B.	Rainwater, Leander	Dec	09	1847	<a href="#">View full context</a>	BALDWIN
Eskew, Samuel	Rainwater, Canzadah	Dec	10	1848	<a href="#">View full context</a>	CAMPBELL
* Eskew, Sarah	Rainwater, Eber	Jun	03	1849	<a href="#">View full context</a>	"
* Rainwater, Clariah	Sanders, Ebiney P.	Jul	29	1850	<a href="#">View full context</a>	"
* Barwell, William	Rainwater, Mariah	Dec	21	1843	<a href="#">View full context</a>	CARRILL
* Henson, Susan	Rainwater, James E.	Jan	25	1845	<a href="#">View full context</a>	CHEROKEE
* Brannon, William	Rainwater, Delpha	Jan	04	1849	<a href="#">View full context</a>	"
Prewitt, C.	Rainwater, Elizabeth	Jan	20	1850	<a href="#">View full context</a>	"
* Rainwater, Elizabeth	Sewell, Pierce	Jan	06	1835	<a href="#">View full context</a>	COWETA
* Rainwater, Joseph	Walton, Caroline E.	Jan	18	1844	<a href="#">View full context</a>	"

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* Rainwater, T. M.	Thompson, Lilla Ann	Jan	16	1845	<a href="#">View full context</a>	COWETA
* Lumes, Martha M. C.	Rainwater, Sidney	Oct	10	1843	<a href="#">View full context</a>	FORSYTH
* Mcsimms, Martha	Rainwater, Sidney	Oct	10	1843	<a href="#">View full context</a>	"
* Harris, Jesse	Rainwater, Louisa	Dec	01	1838	<a href="#">View full context</a>	GREENE
* Bell, Dorothy	Rainwater, Lacy D.	Sep	05	1846	<a href="#">View full context</a>	"
* Grant, Elizabeth	Rainwater, Elisha G.	Nov	02	1826	<a href="#">View full context</a>	HANCOCK
Holmes, Robert W.	Rainwater, Lavinia	Oct	17	1843	<a href="#">View full context</a>	"
* Oliphant, Solomon R.	Rainwater, Amanda	Mar	12	1846	<a href="#">View full context</a>	"
* Freeney, Augustus	Rainwater, Naomi	Sep	22	1850	<a href="#">View full context</a>	"
* Rainwater, Simeon	Smith, Nancy	Dec	22	1850	<a href="#">View full context</a>	"

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* Rainwater, Adison	Wallace, Susan	Apr	01	1840	<a href="#">View full context</a>	LINCOLN CO.
Fortenberry, Abraham	Rainwater, Delila	May	10	1846	<a href="#">View full context</a>	PAULDING
* Lynn, Nancy	Rainwater, Solomon	Dec	28	1826	<a href="#">View full context</a>	WARREN
* Rainwater, E. G.	Sturdevant, Nancy	Aug	31	1849	<a href="#">View full context</a>	WARREN

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