

# The PUTMANS of Calhoun (Benton) County and later of Cleburne & St. Clair Counties

Several of the South Carolina Putman family came to Alabama and settled first in Randolph and then in what was Benton and later changed to Calhoun County, some spilled into St. Clair County next door.

In the 1830s Simeon Putman and his wife Peggy Mercer came down from Kentucky via Tennessee and were there for the 1830 census. His brother, Hiram Putman and his wife Loamy Mercer, came with him. They had originally left South Carolina for Kentucky in about 1800. Both were sons of John Putman and Sarah Howard. Their lives are in the **SOUTH CAROLINA** and **KENTUCKY** sections.

By 1850 this whole family was in Benton County. In 1858 Benton County was renamed Calhoun County and these families were shown there.

Also in the 1840s, Reuben and Lucinda Putman came from Laurens County, South Carolina and joined these folks. Reuben was a son of Daniel and Sarah Putman and he settled in Benton County where he died in 1847. Lucinda was there in 1850 as were his sons John and Sanford. His other son, Joel was next door in St. Clair County. Joel's family was here through the 1870s. Later, some of the kids went to Spaulding County, Georgia.

The following are more details on the sons of these various Putmans from South Carolina. The lives of the parents were covered back in the **SOUTH CAROLINA PUTMANS** Section.