

MILES BOBBITT 1792 - 1861
Son of Lewis and Mary Bobbitt

Miles Bobbitt was born in the spring of 1792 in Warren County, North Carolina. He was the last child of Lewis and Mary (Person) Bobbitt. Miles Bobbitt had an uncle, named Miles Bobbitt who was born in 1731 and died in 1794.

Miles Bobbitt was mentioned in the will of his father, Lewis Bobbitt Junior, which was written and recorded in Warren County in 1816. The will was probated in 1818, and Miles was one of the executors of the will, along with his brother James Bobbitt.

"I give to my son, Miles Bobbitt, the remaining part of my land lying on the west side of the aforesaid public road, to himself and his heirs forever."

"It is also my further will and desire that in consideration of the land given to my two sons, Miles Bobbitt and Lewis Bobbitt, that each of them, at the expiration of one year from the death of their mother pay to my son John P. Bobbitt, the sum of one hundred dollars each."

In 1808 the deed whereby Lewis Bobbitt gave land to his son Lewis was recorded in Warren County. The allowance of land to Lewis was 200 acres, and it is asumed that a similar quantity was given to Miles Bobbitt. According to the records Miles Bobbitt lived his entire life on the land deeded and left to him by his father.

Miles Bobbitt was married two times and both marriages are recorded in Warren County. His first marriage was to Susan Gunn on October 19, 1814. Turner Jenkins and Wm. Green were witnesses. The second marriage was to Martha Davis on January 1, 1827 and James Martin and Mathew M. Duke were the witnesses.

All the children born to Miles Bobbitt was from his first wife, Susan Gunn Bobbitt. Susan Bobbitt died in 1825. Martha (Davis) Bobbitt reared the children of Miles and Susan Bobbitt.

James Bobbitt, brother of Miles Bobbitt married Polly Gunn on February 10, 1809. Polly was a sister of Susan Gunn.

After Miles Bobbitt married Susan Gunn, he lived for a short time in Halifax County near the parents of Susan Gunn. He was counted with his family in the census of Halifax County in 1820. It is the only record of his wife Susan taken in a census.

The entire family is represented in this census record of 1820 in Halifax County, North Carolina.

Miles Bobbitt

3 males under 10	(1810-1820)	2 females under 10	(1810-1820)
1 male 26 - 45	(1775-1794)	1 female 26 - 45	(1775-1794)

Susan (Gunn) Bobbitt was born in 1794, married in 1814, and all the children were born between 1814 and 1820. Susan died in 1825, and Miles Bobbitt married Martha Davis in 1827.

The family is recorded in the census of Warren County in 1830. One of the daughters is married, and another daughter was born between 1820 and 1825.

Miles Bobbitt

3 males 10 - 15	(1815-1820)	1 female 5 - 10	(1820-1825)
1 male 30 - 40	(1790-1800)	1 female 15 - 20	(1810-1815)
		1 female 40 - 50	(1780-1790)

Miles Bobbitt recorded a will in Warren County which was written February 23, 1859. The will was probated in August 1861. The most interesting sections of the will mention all of his sons and daughters.

"I lend to my beloved wife, five negroes to wit, Giles, Mathew, Sukie, Winny, and Rebecca, during her natural life....."

"...I give to my grandson, Miles Bobbitt, at the death of my wife, Rebecca and her increase, to him and his heirs."

"I give and bequeath unto my beloved wife, Martha, all my household and kitchen furniture...."

"I give to my son Alpheus Bobbitt and his heirs, all the land of which I am seized and pocessed at the present time, consisting of the land and premises on which I now reside."

"I give to my daughters Eliza Sledge and Susan G. Wilson, one thousand dollars each, or it's value in property to them and their heirs."

"The balance of my negroes not herein disposed of, I leave to be equally divided among my four children, Eliza Sledge, Samuel Bobbitt, Lewis Bobbitt, and Susan G. Wilson."

"I appoint Samuel Bobbitt and Alpheus Bobbitt as esecutors of my estate....."

Miles Bobbitt was a successful planter and owned a large plantation. In the 1850 census of Warren County, Miles and his wife, Martha, were living alone. The family was counted as family # 526, on August 28, 1850 in the Warrenton District.

Miles Bobbitt	58	(1792)	North Carolina
Martha Bobbitt	65	(1785)	North Carolina

Both Miles and Martha were listed in the 1860 census of Warren County. Miles Bobbitt died in 1861 and Martha must have died soon after as she was not listed in the 1870 census.

The family of Miles and Susan Bobbitt had three sons and two daughters who lived to maturity.

Eliza Bobbitt	born	1815
Samuel L. Bobbitt	born	1816
Alpheus Bobbitt	born	1817
Lewis T. Bobbitt	born	1819
Susan Gunn Bobbitt	born	1822

Eliza Bobbitt	married	Hubbard A. Sledge
Samuel Lewis Bobbitt	married	Martha Ann Downtain
Alpheus Bobbitt	married	Mrs. Julia Ann Sledge
Second marriage	married	Nannie H. Griffin
Lewis Bobbitt	married	Ann T. Minor
Second marriage	married	Mary F. Minor
Third marriage	married	Ann Holmes Walton
Susan Gunn Bobbitt	married	John M. Wilson

Several of the children of Miles and Susan Bobbitt, named their children, Martha, in memory of their stepmother. All showed their appreciation for the love and care Martha Bobbitt gave to them.

The Bobbitt lineage of Miles Bobbitt is:

William Bobbitt from Wales.....1645 - 1703

William Bobbitt Junior.....1675 - 1738

Lewis Bobbitt Senior.....1704 - 1769

Lewis Bobbitt Junior.....1742 - 1818

Miles Bobbitt.....1792 - 1861