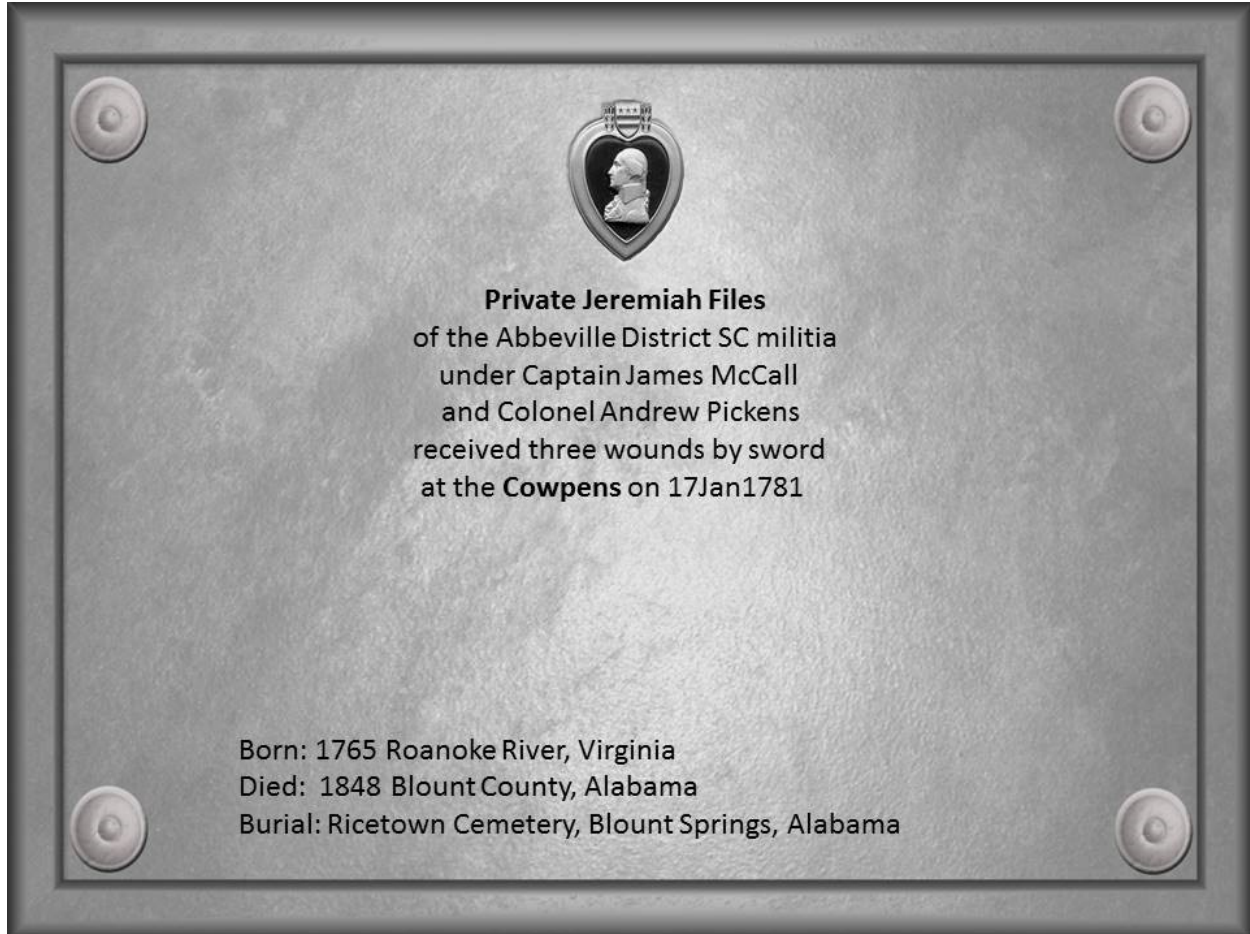


## Jeremiah Files (FPA S13025)



Jeremiah Benton Files was born in 1765 on the Roanoke River in Virginia in 1754 to John Adam Files and Mary Catherine Manley Files.

On 04Feb1833 in Blount County AL, **Jeremiah Files**, age 68, applied for a pension. Jeremiah stated that on Christmas Eve 1780 he volunteered for militia duty under Colonel Andrew Pickens in Abbeville District SC. In the battalion of Major Alexander Noble and the company of Captain James MsCall, Jeremiah was in the battle at the **Cowpens** on Wednesday morning, 17Jan1781. By **sword from Tarleton's dragoons**, Files was slashed on the head, the left arm, and the right hand. Captain Alexander of Rowan County gave him aid. Files was among the wounded who were taken to Colonel Charles McDowell's house at Quaker Meadows on the Catawba River in Burke County NC for doctor's care. After recovering, Jeremiah continued in militia service until 1787.

Thomas Clarke provided confirming testimony of his service together with Jeremiah Files.

In 1840, Files was in the Alabama list of pensioners at age 75. Jeremiah died in 1848 and was buried at Ricetown Cemetery in Blount Springs, Alabama. Information about the wife of Jeremiah Files is unknown. Their known son was Jeremiah Benton Files Junior.

