

Littleton Bagwell Cabin & Graveyard in Glendale, S.C.



The first U.S. census of 1790, lists only 2 Bagwells in South Carolina: James Littleton and his brother John Jackson Bagwell, both in the Old Iron District area; later called Bivinsville, and renamed Glendale. John J. moved to Georgia. In October 1777, James Littleton and his brother Lunsford, (who most likely lived in Rutherford county, joined a patriot militia unit in Tryon, NC under command of Capt. Robert Porter. They served 71 days which then disbanded. James' elder son William (born 1762), remained in North Carolina, having been drafted at 18 years old into the Continental Army, under General Nathaniel Greene. William moved to Glendale area in the 1790s, and began to build up a homestead on the south side of Lawson Fork Creek which eventually became a thriving 2,000 acre plantation. William died in 1834, and buried in his family cemetery off of Country Club Road on Bagwell Farm Road in the middle of Oak Forest subdivision. James' younger son John Littleton (born 1787), later began expanding his father's land to a 1,000 acre plantation on the north side of Lawson Fork Creek. John and William became known as "the Bagwell brothers". The Bagwells were among the oldest families in Spartanburg County.

James Littleton Bagwell (1734-1811), m. Eleanor (?) grave sites unknown

John Littleton Bagwell (1787-1865-66) son of James, m. Rebecca McAbee grave sites unknown

Littleton B. Bagwell (1825-1902) son of John Littleton, m. Eliza Haynes (1828-1903) grave sites as shown.