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WILLIAM L. KIMBELL

9TH SHERIFF



William Lumpkin Kimbell served as Sheriff from 1845 – 48

William Kimbell was born September 17, 1820. He married in 1846 to Minerva Robertson (March 6, 1819 – December 15, 1871). He married second to Sara Samantha Thrower (October 30, 1837 – November 11, 1888) shortly after the death of Minerva. They are buried at the Pullin-Cagle-Kimbell Family Cemetery on the Locust Grove - Luella Road (Bill Gardner Parkway) in Locust Grove.

William had five children. Their daughter married a Cagle, she had a daughter Lizzie who married Jordan M. Johnson (Sheriff 1850).

In 1842 William Kimbell was a member of the Georgia General Assembly from Henry County. John A. Smith and John R. Clark were members also.

William Kimbell was appointed Sheriff of Henry County in 1845 through 1848. J. B. Tanner was his deputy in 1846.

In 1846 Sheriff Kimbell bought a home in Locust Grove, the Post Office was already there, so he kept it in operation. He also operated a tavern here and had accommodations for mule and hog drovers, who were numerous in those days.

William (Uncle Billy) Kimbell died January 16, 1907 at the home of his daughter Mrs. Cora Jordan at Molena near Luella. He was nearly 87 years old.

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