

Rootballs:  
Absalom Caudle, Jr.

Chapter 453



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Absalom Caudle, Jr.

Absalom Caudle, Jr. was born on September 15, 1800<sup>1</sup>, in Anson County, NC. He was the son of Absalom Caudle Sr. [451] and Elizabeth Maness Caudle [452].

He died August 3, 1846, in Decatur County, TN, reportedly from being kicked by a horse.

On January 30, 1818, Absalom Caudle acquired property on Lanes Creek from William Pool<sup>2</sup>.

In about 1821, he married Mary B. Haney [457] in Anson County, NC. Mary was the daughter of Hezekiah Haney [12423] and was born about 1804. She died about 1848 in Decatur County, TN.

*Much of the following research was first attained, then verified, through the work of Dr. William R. Caudle<sup>3</sup>.*

**TABLE C453-1: Children of Absalom Caudle and Mary B. Haney Caudle.**

No.	Name	ID No.	Birth	Death
1	Andrew J. Caudle	11671	Abt. 1822 Anson Co., NC	Abt. 1854
2	Anderson H. Caudle	15214	Abt. 1823 Anson Co., NC	Abt. 1874 Obion Co., TN
3	Mary Jane Caudle	15207	Abt. 1825 Anson Co., NC	Oct. 4, 1907 Minnick, Obion Co., TN
4	David Green Caudle	455	Feb. 13, 1827 Anson Co., NC	
5	Frances C. Caudle	15215	Abt. 1829 Anson Co., NC	
6	William Andrew Caudle	15216	Abt. 1833 Decatur Co., TN	Jan. 1911 Rives, Obion Co., TN
7	Elizabeth Caudle	15217	Abt. 1835 TN	
8	Malakiah R. Caudle	15218	Abt. 1836 TN	
9	Melinda Catherine Caudle	15220	Abt. 1839 TN	
10	Martha L. Caudle	15219	Abt. 1840 TN	
11	Absalom W. Caudle	15053	Aug. 1, 1841 TN	May 12, 1881
12	Jesse Benton Caudle	15221	Mar. 19, 1843 TN	
13	Tennessee Caudle	15222	Jan. 1, 1845 TN	

<sup>1</sup> NC State Archives, Bible No. 589.

<sup>2</sup> Anson County Register of Deeds. Grant ee Index, p.5A. The deed is recorded in Book S, p.89.

<sup>3</sup> Internet Source: [Familytreemaker.com](http://familytreemaker.com):  
<http://familytreemaker.genealogy.com/users/c/a/u/William-R-Caudle>.

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Absalom's sister, Elizabeth Caudle [9950], married Mary's brother Hardy Haney [14386]. They had at least eight children as shown in the 1850 census of Henderson County, Tennessee<sup>4</sup>. They indicate that all their children, except William, were born in North Carolina. Based upon this data, we deduce that Hardy and Elizabeth relocated to Tennessee in 1844.

### Removing to Tennessee

Absalom Caudle sold land located on Lanes Creek in Anson County on December 2, 1830, to Elias Preslar<sup>5</sup>. Without confirmation through examination of the original deed documents, I'll assume this is the same property he acquired from William Pool in 1818. Knowing that Absalom's son William Andrew Caudle was born in Decatur County, Tennessee in 1833, we can document that Absalom moved to Tennessee between early 1831 and 1833.

In a land warrant dated April 1, 1849, Absalom Caudel is granted 200 acres of land in Range 7, Section 8, of Henderson County, Tennessee<sup>6</sup>. Warrant #7298 is described by a survey dated April 30, 1834. The warrant was entered September 1, 1848. Understanding that Absalom died three years prior to recordation, it is presumed that the family is entering the grant for his property, surveyed in 1834, that they can complete the disposition of his property.

**TABLE C453-1: Absalom Caudle, 1840 Census Henderson County, TN**

	<b>Number of Polls</b>	<b>Likely Household Member based upon poll count</b>
Males - Under 5:	1	Malakiah R. Caudle
Males - 5 thru 9:	1	William Andrew Caudle
Males - 10 thru 14:	1	David Green Caudle
Males - 15 thru 19:	2	Anderson H. Caudle and Andrew J. Caudle
Males - 40 thru 49:	1	Absalom Caudle, Jr.
Females - Under 5:	3	Elizabeth, Belinda Catherine, and Martha L. Caudle
Females - 5 thru 9:	2	Mary Jane Caudle. (No explanation offered regarding second female age 5-9)
Females - 10 thru 14:	1	Frances Caudle
Females - 30 thru 39:	1	Mary Haney Caudle
	<b>13</b>	

<sup>4</sup> 1850 United States Federal Census, Seventh Census of the United States. Washington, D.C.: National Archives and Records Administration. Census Place: District 12, Henderson, Tennessee; Page: 198A.

<sup>5</sup> Anson County Register of Deeds. Grantor Index, p.7A. The deed is recorded in Book X, p.485.

<sup>6</sup> North Carolina and Tennessee, Early Land Records, 1753-1931. Warrant #7298, April 1, 1849.

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By 1840, Absalom Caudle resides in Henderson County, Tennessee, and appears within the census on p.362<sup>7</sup>. His father-in-law, Hezekiah Haney appears upon this same census enumerated five households after Absalom. His name was recorded as Ezekiah Haney on this census.

In 1915, at a time when Jesse Benton Caudle was filing his Civil War Pension Application, he describes that his parents' house was, "A log house two stories high, four rooms, two above and two below and boy's house - kitchen and dining room separated from the main house." He further indicated that he was too young to remember much of his parents because he was quite young at the time of death.

We know from multiple sources that Absalom's property was located near Scotts Hill, Tennessee (35°31'15.4"N 88°15'05.7"W).

### Life after Death

After Absalom's death in 1846, and Mary's death in 1848, the children dispersed to live with different families.

Absalom's oldest son, Andrew J. Caudle, can be located in Decatur County, TN, in the 1850 census (Household #27)<sup>8</sup>. Residing in his household are his four children and his little brother, Absalom W. Caudle. In the enumeration next to Andrew, (Household #26), are found Ben Taylor and Frances Taylor. Frances Taylor is Absalom's daughter --- she has taken in her younger sister Malinda C. Caudle. Within Andrews household resides a Martha Caudle, age 10, which could possibly be his little sister Martha. The middle initial 'S' creates questions, however, her age is correct.

Andrews's sister, Elizabeth Caudle, married Issac Rice. At the time of the 1850 census, they reside in household #3, 24 enumerations from Andrew, within Decatur County. In their household is a Martha L. Caudle, age 12<sup>9</sup>. This presents a bit of a problem because we now have two strong possibilities for Martha's location --- one with her brother, the other with her sister. The middle initial is correct on one of the listings, yet the age is incorrect. I'm willing to consider that Martha was enumerated twice.

Jesse Benton Caudle and sister Tennessee are residing with Ebenezer Lee and Sarah Lee in Decatur County, Tennessee (Household #7)<sup>10</sup>.

Malakiah R. Caudle, Absalom's son and eighth born, resides with James & Martha Plunckit, in household #31 four enumerations from big brother Andrew.

Elizabeth Caudle, Absalom's daughter and seventh born, resides with William and Susanna Bartholomew in nearby Henderson County, household #87<sup>11</sup>.

<sup>7</sup> 1840 United States Federal Census, Sixth Census of the United States. Washington, D.C.: National Archives and Records Administration. Census Place: Henderson, Tennessee; Page: 362.

<sup>8</sup> 1850 United States Federal Census, Seventh Census of the United States. Washington, D.C.: National Archives and Records Administration. Census Place: District 10, Decatur, Tennessee; Page: 447B.

<sup>9</sup> 1850 United States Federal Census, Seventh Census of the United States. Washington, D.C.: National Archives and Records Administration. Census Place: District 10, Decatur, Tennessee; Page: 446A.

<sup>10</sup> 1850 United States Federal Census, Seventh Census of the United States. Washington, D.C.: National Archives and Records Administration. Census Place: District 10, Decatur, Tennessee; Page: 446B.

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William A. Caudle, Absalom's son and sixth born, resides with James and Prudence Moreland also in Henderson County, household #27<sup>12</sup>.

David Caudle, Absalom's son and fifth born, has married to Luncinda ? and they reside five doors from Andrew in household #22<sup>13</sup>.

Absoloms Children sold his land in 1853.

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- 11 1850 United States Federal Census, Seventh Census of the United States. Washington, D.C.: National Archives and Records Administration. Census Place: District 14, Henderson, Tennessee; Page: 217A.
- 12 1850 United States Federal Census, Seventh Census of the United States. Washington, D.C.: National Archives and Records Administration. Census Place: District 14, Henderson, Tennessee; Page: 213A.
- 13 1850 United States Federal Census, Seventh Census of the United States. Washington, D.C.: National Archives and Records Administration. Census Place: District 10, Decatur, Tennessee; Page: 447A.

**APPENDIX 'A': CHRONOLOGY**

1800		Absalom Caudle was born in Anson County, NC
1800		<u>Thomas Jefferson elected President</u>
1801		
1802		
1803		
1804		Mary Haney was born in Anson County, NC
1805		
1806		
1807		
1808		
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1812	June	<u>America declares war on Britain.</u>
1813		
1814		
1815	February	<u>The Peace Treaty is ratified and President Madison declares the war over.</u>
1816		
1817		
1818	January 30	Absalom Caudle acquires land on Lanes Creek from William Pool.
1819		
1820		
1821	Abt.	Absalom Caudle and Mary Haney are wed in Anson Co., NC.
1822	Abt.	Andrew J. Caudle born in Anson Co., NC.
1823	Abt.	Anderson H. Caudle born in Anson Co., NC.
1824		

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1825	Abt.	Mary Jane Caudle born in Anson Co., NC.
1826		
1827	Feb. 13	David Green Caudle born in Anson Co., NC.
1828		
1829	Abt.	Frances C. Caudle born in Anson Co., NC.
1830	Dec. 2	Absalom sells his property in Anson Co. to Elias Preslar.
1831		Absalom moved to TN about this time.
1832		
1833	Abt.	William Andrew Caudle born in TN.
1834	April 30	Survey of property (200 acres) in Henderson County, Tennessee.
1835	Abt.	Elizabeth Caudle born in TN.
1836	Abt.	Malakiah R. Caudle born in TN.
1837		
1838		
1839	Abt.	Melinda Catherine Caudle born in TN.
1840	Abt.	Martha L. Caudle born in TN.
	Abt.	Hezekiah Haney located in the 1840 Census of TN.
1841	Aug. 1	Absalom W. Caudle born in TN.
1842		
1843	Mar. 19	Jesse Benton Caudle born in TN.
1844	Abt.	Absalom's sister, Elizabeth Caudle Haney and her husband Hardy, relocate from Anson Co., NC, to Decatur Co., TN.
1845	Jan. 1	Tennessee Caudle born in TN.
1846	Abt.	Absalom Caudle died, Decatur Co., TN.
1847		
1848	Abt.	Absalom Caudle died, Decatur Co., TN.
	Sept. 1	Warrant for property entered, 200 acres, home place, surveyed in 1834.
1849	Apr. 1	Land warrant recorded, 200 acres, home place.
1850		



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