

## Joseph Brabham, jr



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Born: 1 Mar 1785 Buford's Bridge, SC  
 Married: 5 Mar 1807 Sallie Clarke Kirkland  
 Died: 3 Nov 1875 Barnwell, SC  
 Parents: Joseph Brabham & Flora McPhail

Joseph Brabham, Jr., son of Joseph and Flora McPhail Brabham, born March 1, 1785, and died November 3, 1875. Married Sarah ("Sallie") Kirkland, daughter of Reuben Kirkland, Sr., March 5, 1807. His wife was born November 18, 1790, and died June 17, 1844. Their children were, William Rice, born December 10, 1807, died June 18, 1877; James Miles, born September 7, 1810, died 1895; Elijah Kirkland, born December 18, 1812, died

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in 1836; Reuben Kirkland, born April 27, 1815, died June 16, 1844; Josiah Joseph, born September 6, 1817, died July 8, 1883; Mary E. born August 29, 1819, died July, 1843; Susan Massa, born November 10, died May 8, 1877; Robert Cornelius, born November 8, 1823, died March 6, 1890; John Martin, born January 12, 1826, died July 9, 1888; A. Frank, born April 4, 1828, died May 23, 1850; Sarah Louise, born May 6, 1830, died in infancy; Seaborn Jaimerson, born September, 1832, died April 28, 1878.

The third child of Reuben Kirkland, Sr., and his wife, Sarah Clarke Kirkland, was Sallie. She married the second Joseph Brabham, and became the mother of a number of children already noted under the head of the Brabham family. Once when in a reminiscential mood, my grandfather, Joseph Brabham, Jr., told me that when he first married Sallie Kirkland that her father, who was among the wealthier men of the community, put them in a cabin which stood near where the school house, which was built not very many years ago, a little west of Doctor N. F. Kirkland, Sr.'s old home. This cabin was quiet primitive, with a dirt floor and a clay chimney. Nevertheless grandfather said he was happy, notwithstanding the hard labor he did on his farm. His habit was, when thirsty from labor, to go to the house for water, and, he added, "I sometimes went as an excuse for water, when, in reality I just wanted to look at Sallie. She was the prettiest little round-shouldered woman I ever saw." Round shoulders were a characteristic of the older Kirklands. My father inherited that feature—whereas the older Brabhams were very erect, and it was that gracious law of nature which leads men, as a rule, to choose their opposites in marriage, in order to keep the race in balance, that caused my grandfather to admire the round shoulders of his pretty little wife. He died at ninety years and eight months old, and while in his latter years he tottered when he walked, yet he never stooped. Notwithstanding his humble beginning, my grandfather became one of the rich and influential men of his community.

Above information from the book, "Mizpah: A Family Book" by M M Brabham, pg 32



Joseph Brabham is buried in the Old Kirkland Cemetery, west of Ehrhardt, SC. Picture found online at: [www.oldplaces.org/bamberg/cemeteries/Kirkland.html](http://www.oldplaces.org/bamberg/cemeteries/Kirkland.html)

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Joseph Brabham died November 6th 1875, at the residence of his son, near Buford's Bridge, S. C. He was born March 1st 1785, consequently he was in the ninety-fifth year of his age. He was first married to Miss Sarah Kirkland, of Barnwell county, S. C. They had twelve children, some of whom, with their pious mother, preceded him to the better world. His second marriage was to Mrs. Elizabeth R. Kearse. Paul F. Kistler