

**Samuel Albritton**  
**Son of Peter Albritton Sr. and grandson of James Albritton Sr.**

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In 1979, Mrs. Fran Lomas privately published the work that she and a group of Albritton family historians had compiled in their research over the previous several decades. Her work included a list of children of Peter Albritton Sr., together with specific dates of birth for the majority of them. She listed Samuel Albritton as Peter's eldest child, giving his date of birth as 2 April 1759 [1].

The source for the names and birthdates of Peter's children is unknown, as her work gave no reference for the information. In correspondence with Mrs. Lomas in 2021, she does not recall where she obtained the information. However, the dates Mrs. Lomas gives for Peter's other children match approximations of their births obtained from other documented sources.

The given name of "*Samuel*" is not found as an Albritton given name in earlier generations, but it does seem noteworthy that the eldest-known grandson of Peter Albritton Sr. was indeed named "*Samuel Albritton*." Peter's second son, James Albritton, gave this name to his eldest son upon his birth on 23 April 1783. This gives some credence to Samuel as the eldest son of Peter Albritton Sr. [2]. Since it does not appear as a known Albritton family name, the use of "*Samuel*" as a given name may have come from the family of Peter's wife, whose identity remains unknown.

No other known source provides any information on Samuel Albritton of Pitt County. If he survived until the latter 1770s, then Samuel Albritton would have been of military age. However, there is no known documentation of a soldier by this name serving in any military capacity during the American Revolution.

Samuel Albritton presumably died young.

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**Notes**

1. Lomas, Fran Wylie. *Book of Albrittons: 1609–1979*. San Angelo, TX, 1979, pp. 164–165. McSwain, Eleanor Davis. *Some Descendants of Francis Albrighton (1609–1667), Mathew Jones of Mulberry Island, Virginia (1643–1712), and Ralph Albritton of York County, Virginia (1656–ca1701), and Connecting Families*. Macon, GA: Jones and Grissom, 1984, p. 149. Albritton, Bobby G. *Albrittons of the Second Millennium*, Revised ed. Alpharetta, GA: Balbritt, 2004, pp. 41, 64–65. Samuel Albritton's birthdate is first given by Mrs. Lomas, and then reprinted by Mrs. McSwain. In the work of Mr. Bobby G. Albritton, he concocts an odd tale that seems to merge Peter's sons, Samuel and William into one person. The information he gives conflicts with known documentary evidence that indicates William Albritton left Pitt County North Carolina in early 1800 and moved to Georgia. We believe that Mr. Albritton's information should be entirely disregarded.
2. Benjamin B. Albritton Family Bible (Pitt County Genealogical Quarterly, Vol. V, No. 2, May 1998, pp. 19–20).

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