

Jacob Barnett was a handsome young hero of a twisted and fading memory? Ninety eight year old Abrilla Willbanks deposed that Jacob was killed at Kings Mountain. Pickens District SC, widow of William Willbanks 07Jan1845 FPA R11508

“She made three crops without him; herself and her little Boys; and had much trouble with the Tories during the absences of her husband, and labored hard to make a support – the Tories threw down her fences often & she had to put them up herself with her little Boys who were very young & small to do such labor, they also killed her Hogs & Cattle and destroyed everything about the place, very often passing and committing all kinds of depredations all of which she had to suffer with her children unprotected: at one time during the war herself and mother in law went to where the Army was encamped (she thinks at Culverson's) and begged them that her husband go home to save his small grain, which was granted by an officer who seemed to have command, but she cannot now recollect his name, he however treated her very well & granted her request, was called to his dinner but would not go until he had waited on her, seeing she appeared to be in distress. Her husband went home & attended in his harvest & then very soon returned to the service. He served in the war with his brother Gillam Wilbanks, Isaac Barnett, Jacob Barnett, James Putnam, John Sparks & Charles White, all of whom are now dead; Jacob Barnett was killed in the Battle of King's Mountain.”

Jacob Barnett was a Captain in Hampton's Corps according to several veterans. Most of the patriot veterans named service which occurred after the Battle of Kings Mountain 07Oct1780.

Perhaps Jacob Barnett was wounded at BKM?

Samples:

[S31709 Jacob Gray](#)

Captain **Jacob Barnett's** Company in Colonel Wade Hampton's Regiment, and Colonel Henry Hampton

[W7184 Ralph Smith](#)

That he enlisted in the Army of the United States in the year 1781, sometime in the month of April for a term of ten months with Captain Jacob Barnet [Jacob Barnett]; and served in the first Regiment (as he now thinks) of the South Carolina cavalry – the No. of the Regiment I do not know, but I recollect that our Regiment was always placed on the right – Our Regiment was commanded by Colonel Wade Hampton & Major Rutherford, – the Company to which I belonged was commanded by Captain Jacob Barnet, first Lieutenant William Barnet [William Barnett] 2nd Lieutenant William Rogers – I lived at the time of my enlisting in York district South Carolina.

[S19106 John Stewart](#)

Troop of horse under Captain **Jacob Barnett** who belonged to Colonel Henry Hampton's Regiment

[W9864 James Tracy](#)

Captain **Jacob Barnett** in Colonel Wade Hampton's Regiment;

The fluid organizations of shifting companies at different battles could explain mistakes in who did what, when and where. The southern patriots were often forced to stay on the move and several called themselves refugees.

[S4469 Joseph Kerr](#)

Tories—and who commanded these **refugees** he cannot now tell— ... At the instance of Capt. **Barnett** who commanded the few **refugees** who returned

[R4023A James Gill](#)

British as a **refugee** to North Carolina where the South Carolinians & Georgians who refused the protection offered by the British ... written whom he was engaged in the service Captain Mills, Lieutenant Miller & Gill General Pickens Capts **Barnett** & Culpepper & Ross

Several “refugees” joined the patriots who rallied to Kings Mountain. A peaceful night’s rest at Cowpens protected by friendly pickets was a refuge to some. A meal there on Tory beef was a luxury. Though Barnett was perhaps one of those, it is unclear.