

Record Detail

On the Wall of Names as: Simon Le Blanc, Plaque 4, right side

Given Names: Simon Joseph

Surname: Le Blanc

Spelling
Variants: Simon; LeBlanc

Sobriquet:

Date of Birth: 16 Dec 1744

Birthplace: Grand Pré, Acadia

Baptised At: Saint-Charles aux Mines Parish, Grand Pré, Acadia

Date of
Baptism: 17 Dec 1744

Mother: Elisabeth Boudrot

Father: Etienne Le Blanc

Married Elisabeth (Isabelle) Le Blanc (1753-1815), daughter of Joseph Le Blanc and Elisabeth Gaudet, at the Church of the Ascension (modern-day Donaldsonville) on 20 Sep 1772.

Children: Joseph Simon (born about 1773, buried 29 Mar 1829); Marie Madeleine (born 25 Oct 1775); Paul (baptized 8 Mar 1778); Marguerite (born 25 Jan 1780, buried 3 Sep 1780); Simon dit Simonet (born 24 Jun 1781, died 14 Sep 1840); Louis (born 29 Sep 1783, buried 22 Aug 1795); Benjamin (baptized as Bathsemath [sic] 19 Feb 1786, buried 18 Oct 1817); Céleste (baptized 27 May 1788); Etienne (born 3 Nov 1789, buried 11 Nov 1852); Leonore Carmelite (born 9 Jan 1792, buried 24 Oct 1794); Jean Baptiste (born 19 Jan 1794, buried 27 Oct 1817); Hippolyte (born 11 Aug 1796).

Acadia: On the list dated 24 Aug 1763, he is one of the prisoners of the British at Fort Beauséjour in Acadia.

Exile:

Louisiana: Ecclesiastical records indicate that his father Etienne Le Blanc's family was in Louisiana in 1765. The family probably settled temporarily in the Attakapas District

before moving to Cabahannoce, where the census dated 9 Apr 1766 lists the following persons in the household: Etienne (43), his wife Elizabeth Boudrot (45), and Simon the oldest of seven children, at age 22. The family resided on a parcel of land measuring six arpents frontage on the left bank of the Mississippi River. Etienne LeBlanc owned two firearms. The census also indicates that Simon himself owned a parcel of land measuring 4 arpents frontage along the right bank of the Mississippi. He had a firearm in his possession.

Identified in the 14 Sep 1769, census of St. Jacques de Cabannocé as a twenty-four-year-old bachelor living alone. He occupied a tract of land with 4 arpents frontage. He owned two cows, five hogs, one sheep, and one musket. The January 23, 1770, muster roll of Louis Judice's Militia Company, Cabannocé District, Acadian Coast, indicates that he was a fusilier and a twenty-four-year-old bachelor. Identified in the 1 Aug 1770, census of the right bank of Ascension Parish as a twenty-four-year-old bachelor living alone. Identified by Assumption Parish officials as a local farmer with surplus rice and/or corn during the 1770 colonial grain shortage. A December 25, 1770, list indicates that he had thirty barrels of surplus corn. Unlike numerous other Acadian residents of the Cabannocé District, he reportedly approved of Chevalier de Bellevue's land survey around 27 May 1771, which drastically reduced some waterfront properties, while drastically increasing the size of others.

The 15 Apr 1777, census of the inhabitants of the Ascension Parish of the Lafourche des Chetimachas District indicates that he was the twenty-two-year-old (sic) head of a household that included the following persons: Isabelle (Elizabeth) LeBlanc, his wife, 22 years old; Magdeleine (Madeleine) LeBlanc, his daughter, 18 months old; and Joseph LeBlanc, his son, 3 years old. Simon LeBlanc and his family owned a tract of land with six arpents frontage on the Mississippi River. They also owned twenty cattle, one horse, five hogs, and two muskets. In mid-1777, three Acadians of approximately the same age were named Simon LeBlanc. One of them was a sergeant in the St. Jacques de Cabannocé militia unit that captured Dubreuil's boat and arrested its crew on June 17, 1777. On September 26, 1777, Commandant Louis Judice, who resided on the location of present-day Donaldsonville, complained that Simon LeBlanc had rented a horse to, and served as a guide for, a "Mr. Rose," an English fugitive from New Orleans.

Circumstances
of Death: Age 66, native of Acadia, spouse of Isabelle LeBlanc

Death
Occurred At:

Date of Death: 13 Jul 1810

Interred At: Donaldsonville, Ascension Parish, Louisiana

Date of Burial: 14 Jul 1810

White, Dictionnaire Généalogique des Familles Acadiennes II (manuscript), p. 607; Diocese of Baton Rouge Catholic Church Records, vol. 1A: p.152; Census of Cabannocé, April 9, 1766, AGI, PPC, 187A; ; Arsenault, Histoire et généalogie, vol.6: 2542; List of Acadians Settlers on Both Sides of the [Mississippi] River, from Jacques Cantrelle's Farm to Isle aux Marais, September 14, 1769, AGI, PPC, 187A-2; List of Settlers in Assumption Parish Who Have Corn and Rice Surpluses, 1770, AGI, PPC, 188A: 5/13; Muster Roll of Louis Judice's Militia Company, Cabannocé District, 1770, AGI, PPC, legajo 161; Muster Roll, Louis Judice's Militia Company, Cabannocé District, Acadian Coast, January 23, 1770, AGI, PPC, legajo 161; Census of Ascension Parish, August 1, 1770, AGI, PPC, 188A; Chevalier de Bellevue to Luis de Unzaga, May 27, 1771, AGI, PPC, 188C: 64; General Census of the Settlers in Ascension Parish of the Lafourche des Chetimachas District, April 15, 1777, AGI, PPC, 190: 173 et seq.; Detachment that captured Mr. duBreuil's boat, June 17, 1777, AGI, PPC, 191: 342; Louis Judice to (Bernardo de Galvez), September 26, 1777, AGI, PPC, 190: 300-301 vo; Baton Rouge, Catholic Church Records, vol. 2; vol. 3, p.556.