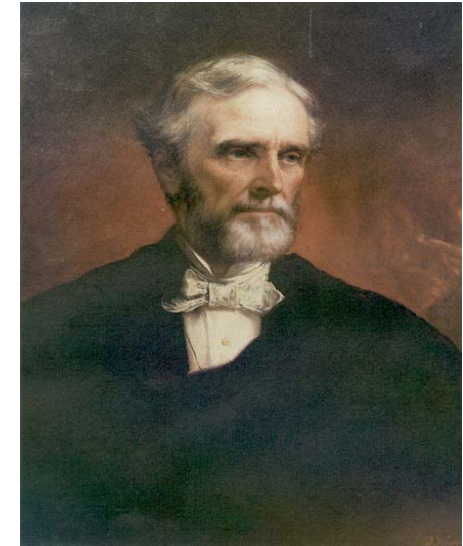


# *Jefferson Davis*

## *American*

### FACTS

1. Born June 3, 1808 in a part of Christian County, Kentucky, which is now part of Todd County near Fairview.
2. Moved to Woodville, Mississippi in 1812.
3. Attended Jefferson College in Washington, Mississippi in 1818.
4. Attended Transylvania College in Lexington, Kentucky in 1821.
5. Entered the United States Military Academy in 1824.
6. Commissioned a second lieutenant in June 1828.
7. Married Sarah Knox Taylor, daughter of the future president Zachary Taylor on June 17, 1835. She died of malaria three months after they were married.
8. Moved to Brierfield Plantation in Warren County, Mississippi in 1836.
9. Elected the United States House of Representatives in 1844.
10. Married Varinna Howell in Natchez, Mississippi in 1845 at the Briars.
11. Resigned his seat in the House of Representatives in 1846 to become colonel of the Mississippi Rifles during the Mexican War.
12. Appointed to the U. S. Senate in 1847 and elected to the Senate in 1848.
13. Appointed Secretary of War by President Franklin Pierce in 1853.
14. Reelected to the U. S. Senate in 1857 after his tenure as the Secretary of War.
15. Resigned his Senate seat and delivers farewell address to Senate on Jan. 21st, 1861.
16. Returned to Mississippi and elected Major General of the militia on Jan. 23rd, 1861.
17. Elected President of the Confederate States of America on Feb. 9th, 1861.
18. Inaugurated as President on Feb. 18th, 1861 in Montgomery, Alabama.
19. Leaves Richmond after word that Lee could not hold it on April 2nd, 1865.
20. Captured by Federals in Irwinville, Georgia on May 10th, 1865.



## *Jefferson Davis*

June 3, 1808

**Celebrating**

**"The Year of Davis"**

**the 200th**

**Anniversary of his Birth**

Visit

Rosemont -- Boyhood Home

The Briars -- Where he wed Varinna

The Old Courthouse -- Where he began  
his political career

Beauvoir -- His last home



Rosemont Plantation is located one mile east of Woodville, MS on Highway 24 East. It is 35 miles south of Natchez, MS and 130 miles north of New Orleans, LA. Woodville, MS is between Natchez, MS and St. Francisville, LA just off US 61.

Rosemont Plantation is open for tours from the first week in March through the first two weeks in December. Open January and February by appointment only (601) 888-6809. Tours operate Tuesday through Saturday from 10am - 4:30pm, seven (7) days a week during Natchez Spring & Fall Pilgrimage.



The Briars is a historic bed & breakfast and is nestled on the highest point of the bluff in Natchez, overlooking the Mississippi River.

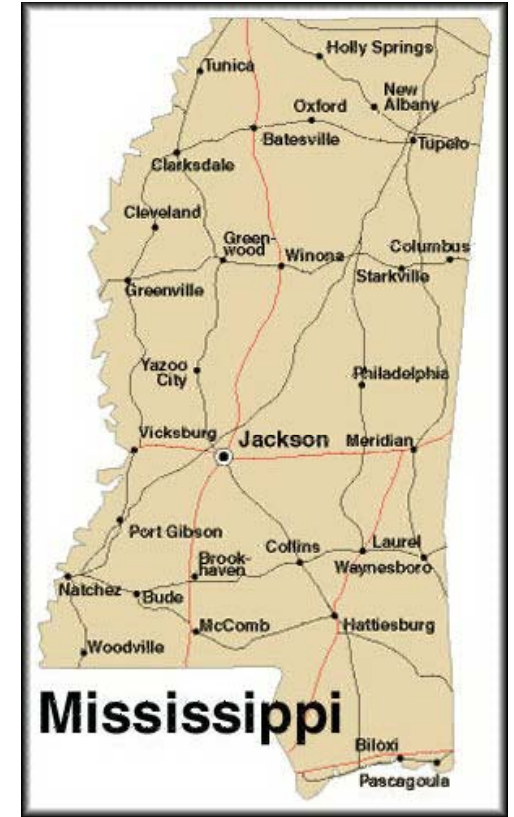
Scene of the marriage of Jefferson Davis to Varina Howell, February 26, 1845. 1-800-634-1818



The Old Courthouse in Vicksburg, MS has one room dedicated to Confederate President Jefferson Davis and his family. This room also covers Davis\* pre-war life and his time as a local resident. You may not know that Davis was a U.S. Congressman, Senator, Secretary of War and a military hero. Even at the war\*s end, Davis\* history was entwined with the Old Courthouse\*s. Here he filed a lawsuit to regain his Warren County plantation, Brierfield, which he had lost during the war.



Beauvoir, the last home of President Jefferson Davis is in Biloxi, MS facing the Gulf of Mexico on Hwy. 90. It was heavily damaged by Hurricane Katrina but will be reopened for tours on June 3, 2008. This date will mark the 200th anniversary of the birth of Jefferson Davis. The house is being restored to the time when Davis lived there. Beauvoir is now owned by the Mississippi Division Sons of Confederate Veterans.



*Jefferson Davis at Beauvoir around 1885*