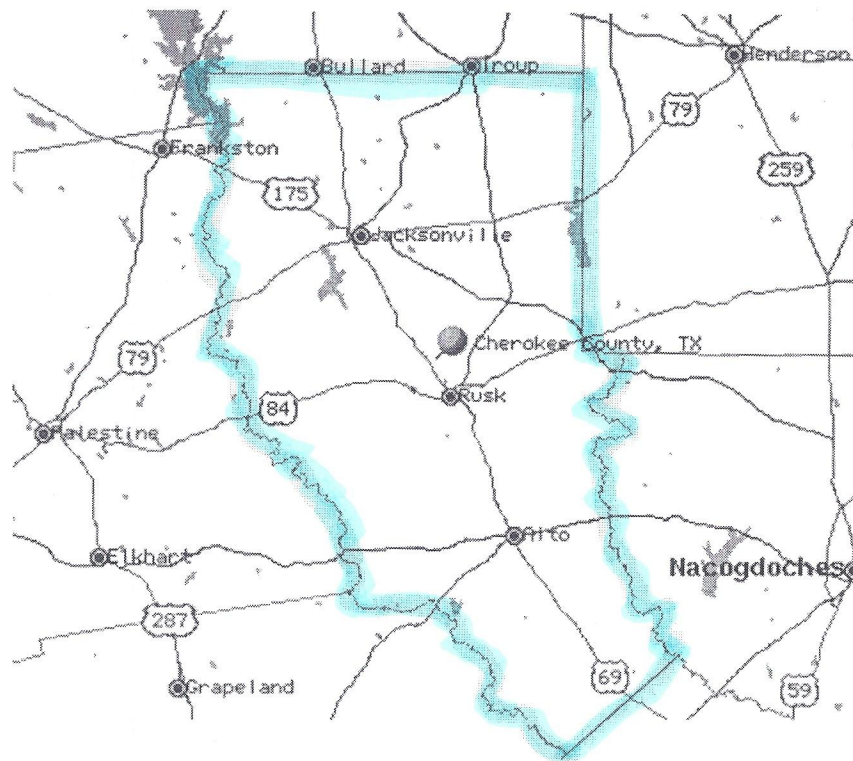


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The Society is now accepting Ancestor Charts to be included in a new edition of "Our Before's". A blank Ancestor Chart is included with this issue of Tree Talk. Mail to: Cherokee County Genealogical Society, P.O. Box 1332, Jacksonville, Texas 75766-1332. The deadline is January 15, 2000.

EDITOR'S LETTER

Thanks go to Jay Barker of San Antonio who forwarded "The Last Day at Corinth" to Ogreta W. Huttash who sent it to me.

Mrs. Huttash also furnished the John Bunyan Singletary-Catherine Ellen Elizer Allen Bible.

Bernard Mayfield continues his valuable historical perspective with his essay on Jacksonville, Texas.

Mrs. Helen Crawford has furnished a list of her books for sale including her latest "Saga of Cherokee County" volume 6.

Gordon Bennett, Editor

In Memoriam

Mr. R. F. "Jack" Moore, 96, of Jacksonville died May 19, 1999. He was a prominent citizen, a well known educator and county historian of Cherokee County, TX. He and his wife, Mrs. Eva Moore, who preceded him in death, were faithful members of Cherokee County Genealogical Society and attended meetings regularly as long as they were physically able.

Mr. Clifford "Ray" Duggan, husband of member Charleen T. Duggan, Graham, Washington passed away in Puyallup, Washington, July 11, 1999.. He was born December 1, 1908 in Tyler, then lived in Palestine until age 9 when his parents moved to Washington state. He had many relatives in the Jacksonville area as well as Collin County and Dallas area. He worked in the grocery business and wholesale meat service. He was an avid hunter and fisherman.

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Requesting information on ROSALIE WALKER. Looking for parents and other ancestors. Shw was born Jan 2, 1858, died Jan 2, 1918. Married robert Marion Jowell, March 29, 1877 in Jacksonville, Texas.

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I am searching for any information on my gg grandfather, William C. Moore, or gg grandmother, Elizabeth Youngue (or Yon-Gue) Moore. They came to Cherokee Co. circa 1845 and were married in Rusk In 1848. Any information that may lead to their lives/whereabouts prior to their arrival in Cherokee Co. will be greatly appreciated..

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William C. Daniel, listed #555, 1850 Census, Cher. Co. Listed as 50 yrs. old, Attorney-at-Law, from Georgia. Gave land for prison, later mental hospital. Daughter, Antoinette Jane Daniel, married Lawrence Washington Dumas. She died Magnolia, Tx. Need info on W.C. Daniel

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My grandparents, Alonzo Kent Dixon and Sophronia Alexander both went to Old Larissa College. I know that A. K.Dixon taught at Larissa and had come from Tennessee with his mother, but do not know the date. My grandmother and he eloped from the college,had four sons, Uhlan, Kenneth, Ford, and Frank (died when he was a law student at U. of Texas in 1924 or 1925), and a daughter, Bess Marie, my mother. I would like to know more about what my grandfather taught at Larissa and what part of Tennessee he came from.

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I am researching my family, John A. Gipson. I found them 1850 Cherokee Co., Texazs census. John A. Gibson, his wife, Margaret & 7 children. John born in Alabama, Margaret in Georgia, their children in Alabama. The last child, born in Texas, was a baby. Do you have anything on this family? would be glad to pay for information, copies, etc. Thank you.

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I am interested in getting a copy ogf the information about Selena Temperance Bobbitt found in the History of Cherokee County book. If anyone can send me a copy, I will pay them. Thank you.

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Would like to contact anyone connected to Sherwood MERRIT family. My direct line is: Lawson MERRITT m Mary Elizabeth HINTON in Jackson Parish Louisiana ca 1858. Will pay for postage and copies.

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Searching for information on my gggrandfather George Washington (G. W.) Humphreys b 1851 in MISS and married Angeline Thompson b. 1851 in OKLA. Her mother was listed as Mary Jane ? Thompson. They married on 1/1/1873 and resided in Troup and Jacksonville, Cherokee County Texas. They are both buried in Jacksonville, Cherokee County, Texas according to family records. I would like to find any information on them. (Parents and siblings) I know they had 11 children with 8 surviving (5girls and 3 boys) Their daughter Olive Agnes Humphreys Boyle was my gggrandmother b. 1886 and died in 1981 in Graham, Texas.

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Would like any information on Henry Taylor that is available. He was in the confederacy.

Searching for Walter West and wife Patience Piety Burnett/Barnett West came to Cherokee Co in 1860 from Lauderdale Co AL. With them was an adult son William W. West and his family. Also Susan Hoeflin West, their widowed daughter-in-law who married W.W. Milliken in 1861 in Cherokee Co. Daughter Sarah (Fanny) West who married 1. Joseph Minafee and 2. Thomas A. Lindsay. Daughter Petress Piety West who married Van Buren Henderson in Cherokee Co. Would like to know when and where these people lived and died after getting to Texas..

Searching for the ancestors of my late husband, Clifford "Ray" Duggan. Trying to verify where in Tennessee they were before coming to Texas. What happened to William B. DUGGAN who came to Texas ca 1848, bought property 1853 in Cherokee County. I have found no record of his death. Need to learn his father's given name.

Descendant of Ransom Edward Rainwater seeks information on that family in Cherokee Co circa 1856-1864. They came from MS with two young sons, Wm. H. and Thomas L. A third child, S.A., was born in TX in 1858. There should be court records of a trial involving Ransom Edward. He joined the CSA in 1862 and served with George W. Henderson, son of Daniel Henderson of Alto. Some years later, the son Wm. H. married a Sarah Jane Henderson in Tarrant Co. I am trying to find the family of Sarah and wondered if she could have been related to the neighbors in Cherokee Co. Any related information will be appreciated. More details on request..

John Marshall CLAIBORNE and his first wife Sue PHILLIPS died and are buried in Rusk. Couple had three children: Tom Jack, Richard Sidney and Hattie Evans. (I don't know whether Evans is a married name or her middle name.) Seek any and all information about any of these individuals. Please email me directly. Have information to share about John Claiborne's siblings, parents and ancestors. Thanks a million.

Looking for Pierce in Cherokee County. I found articles in the Cherokee County History about some of the Children of GEORGE and Elizabeth Pierce. They came to Texas in a wagon train. My line is James Pierce their son. This most likely is the same line. John M.(Dock) married Louisa Pierce. She was the dau of Riley Pierce b 1822.

In the 1860 Cherokee Co Texas Census, John MORRIS born 1825 in AL is living with his wife E J born 1833 in AL and children A E age 12, C age 11, Jno age 7, Vice age 5, and Viney age 2. The older children are born in AL. Vice and Viney are born in Texas. I believe Ann E Morris married Jesse WILLIAMS ca 1869 in Cherokee CO, Texas. Is there a marriage record for them? They are found in Ellis Co, Texas in 1870 with their first son John born 1869. Jesse is the son of Jesse and Mary WILLIAMS and was born Jan 1830 in AL. They are found in Itwamba Co Ms in 1850 with Jesse and their other children. Jesse WILLIAMS Jr, Ann MORRIS, John MORRIS and Lizzie MORRIS are buried in Hill Co, Texas. Who are John MORRIS and Jesse WILLIAMS parents? Who is Lizzie? Where was Jesse Jr in 1860? What is Mary Williams maiden name?? Any help?.

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I am seeking information on Thomas D. and Nancy JENKINS DYESS, who migrated to Cherokee Co., TX c1865 and died there in 1868 along with their two youngest children, M.C. and Alvey DYESS. Other connected family names were MATHIS and CARLTON. I would appreciate hearing from anyone who has information on these families in Cherokee Co. Thank you.

Am searching for information on Barakias Williams killed in the Killough Massacre; as well as information on his brother, Own who married Polly Killough

I would like to hear from anyone who is also researching Barrons.

I have a school photo for 1929-30 where Mrs. Lula Stamps was the teacher of the first and second grade at Mt. Selman. Surnames for students at this Cherokee County school are listed above. Photo can be viewed at <http://homepages.rootsweb.com/~lspivey/five.htm>

Looking for farmer George William "Will" RAY in 1890 Tax roles. Same Jeremiah "Jerry" UNDERWOOD, James WILLIAMS, and Simeon STEARNS.

Looking for information on this very elusive family member: George William RAHE aka RAY. Born April 1872. Don't know where or to whom. He marries Effie Ellen WILLIAMS born 11 January 1873. Marriage date is 02 July 1897 in Cherokee County. Her parents are James WILLIAMS born 29 June 1837 in Illinois and Ann (Sarah) BECKWITH born August 1843 in Indiana. George aka Will and Effie have 1 son-General William RAY who marries Bethsada UNDERWOOD. This is where the UNDERWOOD; PHELPS; STEARNS; MADDOX; OXLEY; and JOHNSON come in. Also a very weird middle name shows up SPRUILL. Most of the family members are buried in the TAYLOR CEMETARY..

Am looking for info. on parents of James A. Meador b.1846,d.1911 and wife, Armina Jane Hammond Meador, b.1853, d.1910. Both are buried in Maydelle, Tx..

I'm researching my direct family line of Harpers. Although my father was taken from his family by the state before he was 10 years, he maintains that his family made the effort to find him periodically & instill in him pride in his family name. I have a small amount of data concerning my G-Grandfather named Robert Bruce (b. 22 June, 1869 or 79 d. 1906?) His father was from Cherokee Co. Named Jessie Harper (b. 1862? m. San Saba? to Mollie B? Harper) Any information or connection to this line will be helpful & put to appreciative use! Thank you, Janina

I am seeking information on and descendants of H. W. PICKETT and Maggie ONES who married in Cherokee Co, TX, 4 May 1893. Any help will be very much appreciated. Thank you!.

Would like to hear from anyone researching the Hall, May, Yarborough/Yarbrough and Moore families of pre 1880 Cherokee and Rusk Cos TX..

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Catherine B. YARBROUGH b. abt. 1827 Hempstead Co., Arkansas, daughter of John Swanson Yarbrough, Sr. md. Joseph STALLCUP in Hempstead County, AR. Their children were:

M.E. female born ca 1844 in TX
Henry C. born ca 1850 in TX
Belle Z. born ca 1854 in TX
Josephine born ca 1858 in TX
Leona born ca 1861 in TX
Charles E. born ca 1867 in TX

In 1850 and 1860 Catherine Yarbrough and Joseph Stallcup were living in Anderson County. By 1870, he was married to someone else and she & the children had moved over to Rusk, TX in Cherokee County. Marriage records in Cherokee County show that on Jan. 26, 1875, Catherine married W.S. PEACOCK. On March 21, 1890 and from new information this is most likely a daughter of Catherine Yarbrough and Joseph Stallcup. Thier youngest child, Charles E. md. Annie Cook, in Rusk. Evidently they stayed in that area. Cherokee is next door to Houston County, TX.

I am looking for information on this family and descendants to help put the pieces of this puzzle together on this family. I am a descendant of Catherine B. Yarbrough's brother Lorenzo Dow Yarbrough. There are other John Swanson Yarbrough, Sr. descendants interested in exchanging information too.

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I am looking for any relatives of my great-grandparents, James Washington and Sarah Lavina (McIntosh) Cheatham. They died when my grandfather (Jesse James Cheatom) was very young. He had 3 sisters and they were raised by other McIntosh family members. While growing up, my family never knew anything about that side of our family. Now that I'm older, I'd like to find some of them. I found a lot of our Cheatham relatives but not any McIntosh people.

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I'm looking for the parents of my grandfather, Levi Moore, b July of 1860 somewhere in Texas. His parents were both born in Mississippi. All of our people live in and around Cherokee Co. Tx. I'm thinking that they were from there, maybe not. I think I've found him in VanZant County where it says that he was born July 10, 1860 to Levi and Mariah L. Moore. The problem is that Levi and Nora Lee (Stanley) Moore were living in Cherokee County when he died, and there is no death certificate in the court house. Maybe someone in Cherokee County can remember something about them. Nora Lee's parents were William Henry and Mary Isabelle (Miller) Schell Stanley.

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My great grandparents Robert Mitchell BROYLES and his wife Julia Ann KENNEDY Broyles lived in Cherokee Co about 1875. There son, my grandfather, was born there April 6, 1875. His name was Enoch Jason BROYLES. Julia parents were William Henry KENNEDY b. abt 1839 Ala, and Mary Abigail BUCHANAN b. Dec. 21, 1839 in Lincoln Co., TN. Julia was b. Dec 16, 1856 in Smith Co., TX. William Henry died when he was very young. Mary Abigail remarried James Madison BROWN. She is buried in Jacksonville in the city cemetary according to information on her pension application. Any information will be appreciated. Thank you. Pat Broyles Gohlke.

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Surname: CLICK, ISBELL, OWENS I am looking for the names of parents of my step-grandmother Lula Viola Click who married George Isbell (my grandfather) around 1914 or 1915. She had told an elderly cousin a long time ago that her only living relative was Duran Bobbitt. Do any of these names ring a bell?

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Looking for info. on parson DANIEL RAWLS who married LOUISIANA ELIZABETH GREEN in 1837, and AMANDA ELIZA RAWLS his niece who married JOHN JOSEPH BOWMAN in 1840.

I am researching the MIXON and DEAN families in East Texas, specifically in Cherokee, Smith, and Van Zandt counties. Is there available a survey of the Mixon Cemetery in the community of Mixon in northern Cherokee Co.? Is there a local historian or member of a Cherokee County Genealogical Society that might point me in the right direction? I have some info available online at my website for any MIXON or DEAN researchers. Thank you..

SURNAMES: Willis, Meggs, Cloyd, Saxton, Parker, Baggett, Red I am trying to locate information on Miles Henry Willis, born May 5, 1843 in NC, married Victoria Elizabeth Meggs on Oct. 20, 1862. Miles Henry Willis lived near Alto, TX, farmed, their children were William, Mollie, Alice, Sallie, Nannie, Henry Eliga, Masouria, Walter, Annie and Blewford. Miles died around 1899. I would love to share information with anyone knowing these folks..

SURNAMES: SHOFFIT, SHOFFITT, SHOFFETT, SHOFFET, SHUFFIT, SHUFFITT, SHUFFET, SHUFFETT Seeking information about the location of gggGrandfather Littleton SHOFFIT who lived with his family in Cherokee County, TX, from about 1855 to 1875 at least. Several of his children were married in Cherokee County during those years. He is supposed to have died 5 Oct 1879, but place is unknown. Would love to find death or cemetery records if I knew where to look. (Names listed in the surname list are variant spellings of surname.).

Surname: Jones, Goss Searching for Irvin Kirkland Jones who married Margaret Emaline Goss. They lived in the Troup (Griffin Community) in early 1900's. He is buried in Kilgore, Tx., she is buried at Emmaus Cemetery, Cherokee Co., Tx. Margaret Emaline Goss had brother, Obie Austin Goss, Sr. who is also buried at Emmaus Cemetery, would like to learn more about the Goss family. Can anyone out there help?

Surname: BASS, BAGGETT I am looking for any information on the Bass and Baggett. They are from Cherokee and Nac. Counties. My grandparents are Elbert Lee Baggett and Maudie Bass. Any one with info on these two families would be greatly appreciated. My mother is Hazel Baggett Evans the oldest daughter of Elbert and Maudie Bass Baggett. Thanks,

Surname: Childs I am searching for old family information. Harry Orrick Johnson was my great grandfather. Harry Orrick Johnson was born February 24, 1873 in Jacksonville, Texas. His father was Charles O. Johnson and his mother's maiden name was Sarah J. Childs. His mother, Sarah, died in the childbirth of Harry in Jacksonville Texas. Charles O. Johnson was a civil engineer laying out the route of the Southern Pacific Railroad when his son was born and his wife died. Harry was then adopted by his maternal grandfather and received his mother maiden name - Childs - when the father could not handle the newborn child. Therefore, I am now searching for Mrs. Sarah Johnson's death certificate or Death Notice from one of your local newspapers of the day (maybe they would have carried an obituary?). Thanks to any one that can help me.

Surname: SHEPARD, GALIGER
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Dillard B. SHEPPARD m Eliza GALIGER 30 Nov 1865 Cherokee Co. TX. Does anyone know his origins? I am exploring SHEPARD - DILLARD connections in KY & GA, where there were people named George Dillard SHEPARD (d 1838 Mason Co.) & Anna Dillard SHEPARD (alive 1806 Elbert Co. GA, m a Mr. NELMS).

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Surname: Wright, Downes Searching A. R. Wright married Mary Downes of Crockett, Houston, Texas and moved to Cherokee County. Was living there 29 July 1883..

William Wade (no dates on him) married to: Alice Wade (no dates, or last name on her) they had 4 children. Lillian Maud Wade, born: April 2, 1877, in: Craft, TX. Cherokee, County. Laura Wade, (no dates on her) American Wade (no dates on her) 1 son (no dates or name on him) Lillian Maud Wade, married T.B. Yohe, in July of 1895, in Bowie, TX. Montague, County. But what we are looking for now is some date and any other information we can find on this Wade, and Yohe families. Thank you so much for any help you can offer.

Surname: BUCKLEY, WARD, LOFTIN I am searching for information on WARDS in Cherokee Co, TX. I think they came there in the mid 1870s. Mary A WARD b1839 in Lawrence Co MS married Albert Lanier BUCKLEY. Sallie WARD b1855 Lawrence Co MS married James LOFTIN. They both raised families in Cherokee Co and are buried in West Shady Grove Cemetery. I'd very much like information on their descendants. James M. WARD is buried there also. I do not any information conc a family for him. The 1880 Census listed him in the Loftin household. Willis M. WARD (1848-1884) is my great grandfather and he is also buried there. His widow, Harriett Hedgepeth WARD married his brother, Robert WARD and moved to Navarro Co in 1885. I've not found the burial place for their brother Jesse Jackson WARD. All the above are children of Newit WARD b1765 SC. Does any one have connection or information on the above WARDS? I'd be simply elated to share information on the rest of this family.

Surname: Turney, Kergan, Smith 1850 Rusk, Cherokee co TX census house 433 Kergan, Arthur age 56 born KY I am interested in the Daniel Turney age 21 born IL listed in this house. Also listed is a Smith family. House 434 is a Green family, house 435 a Smith. Any info on Kergan family that might help with this Turney research appreciated.

Surname: Atkinson I am looking for any information on Alfred Atkinson and Rebessa Atkinson(Smitherman). Alfred Atkinson had two land leases in Cherokee County Texas. #486, Cert.#325. He is on the Tax list in 1840, 1845. They are supposed to be buried in Cherokee County Texas. Alfred died in 1859 and his wife Rebecca died in 1855. I am looking for the cemetery they are buried in. Also any additional information you may find. Thank You.

Nancy Jane Dunnica was born abt 1837 in Missouri to John Dunnica and Elizabeth James Dunnica. She was married first to M L Pagitt on 28 Dec 1853 in Cherokee County TX, She married Tandy Ball 17 Dec 1857. Nancy and her brother Thomas J Dunnica are buried at the Ball Cemetery, Maydelle, Cherokee, TX. I do not have the dates for their deaths. I have not searched for Nancy and Tandy in the census records yet; so I do not have any children for them.

Surname: Shoemaker, McCracken, Erwin, Wallace Am searching for information on the children of Calvin and Mary Elizabeth McCracken Shoemaker; and on the children of John Ragsdale and Mary Isabell Wallace Erwin. Need DOD for each..

Surname: BALL I am looking for the BALL Cemetery located somewhere in Cherokee Co., TX; my husband has family there. Could someone please give location. Also, is there any place I could go to get cemetery listings. Any help appreciated.

Queries

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Surname: Musick, Wilson, Kincheloe I'm looking for the family of Mary K. Wilson who married Joseph B. Musick in Cherokee County on May 11, 1854. Her brother George A. Wilson was my great grandfather. I would love to find her family, I have lots of information and will share.

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Surname: Blunt I am researching for a friend of mine with the surname of Blunt, he is of AA descent, I am looking for E. "Rascal" Blunt from Texas in the early 1900's, may have worked for the railroad and possibly from Bonham..

Robert C. Moyers
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White Oak, TX 75693
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Surname: Moyers, Waggoner, Coats, Stone My gggrandfather Wylie J. Moyers was in Cherokee Co. around 1850 . He married Polly Waggoner and then moved to Rusk Co. I need any information that anyone might have. Thanks..

Lana Robinson
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I am seeking information on the family of Sinda (Lucinda?) M. Terry, born in Cherokee County on Feb. 22, 1842 and died Dec. 14, 1873 (buried in Bald Prairie Cemetery in Robertson County). Sinda was the first wife of Robert Alexander Reagan. They had one son, Robert S. Reagan (who is also buried along with his parents in the same cemetery). Robert subsequently married Mary Jane McCowan and had children 13 children. Thanks,

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Surname: Breedlove, Hinton, Armstrong, Burns Researching the Breedloves and Armstrongs of Cherokee and Smith Counties, Texas. Calvin Johnston Breedlove born 1868 Walton Co.,Ga. died 1933 Cherokee Co.Texas, parents were Richard Marion Breedlove from Putnam Co.,Ga.,and Susan Hinton from Walton Co.,Ga. Mollie C. Armstrong born 1873 in Texas, probably Cherokee Co., don't have a death date for her, parents John Sayers Armstrong from Claiborne Parrish, La., and Nancy J. Burns from Shelby Co., Al. Would like to hear from other relatives.

Darlene Cole
6943 Walnut Avenue,
Orangevale, CA 95662

Surname: DUTTON, ALLEN Looking for descendants of Levi and Nancy (Allen) Dutton, a total of 10 children listed by 1870, ALL born in CHEROKEE CO, TEXAS: Mary E. b.c1851; Martha J. b.c1852; Frances A. b.c1854; William A.; b. c1856; CATHERINE Marze, b.11, Jan 1858, md. James COLE JR, in 1877, in AR, died 1936 in CHEROKEE Co., OK., Alfred b.c1860; Amanda b. c1863; Leticia b.c1865; Calvin, b. 1866 and Robert, b.1868. The last three were listed with their mother, Nancy in 1880 in Madison Co AR., she was a widow living next door to her dau. Catherine & her spouse, James Cole, s/o James Sr & Edy (Montgomery) COLE.. Both Calvin and John Robert are married by 1900 and are living in Valley Twp., in Madison Co AR. But where are the other children, still in TX in 1880?

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Surname: ROGERS, RODGERS, GRIFFIN, ROARK Searching for my Great Grand Father, WILLIAM ROGERS. Have copy of marriage licence of Wm. ROGERS to M.L. GRIFFIN, dated 29 August 1884 in Tyler, Smith County, Texas. William and M. L. (Mary Lucinda "Mollie" (nee: Roark)GRIFFIN) had a son, Mance Main ROGERS, born on 9 June 1885 in Jacksonville, Cherokee County, Texas. Prior to marriage to William ROGERS, Mary Lucinda "Mollie" GRIFFIN (widow)and her daughter, Mattie L. GRIFFIN, were listed in the 1880 Cherokee County Census lived with her mother, Martha Jane "Mattie" (nee: Mitchell)ROARK BOYCE, and her father-in-law, James BOYCE.

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Surname: Beard, Cribbs, Mullinix, Tillman URL: <http://www2.arkansas.net/~cribbs/>
All of these lived in the Dialville area. I am looking for info on William S Beard (d.1862). He was married to a lady named Julie Ann ? (b.1831 d.1909). He and two of his sons died while serving in the Confederate Army in Galveston, Texas of a tropical disease. Also Mullinix, my great grandmother was Mary Tennessee Mullinix (b.1856 d.1935), she married James Madison Cribbs (b.1848 d.1909) would like to find more info on her Mullinix family. And Tillmans, my other great grandmother was Icyphenia Tillman(b1864/d1954) Beard married Daniel Davis Beard (b1861/d1925) Need more on Tillman family tree..

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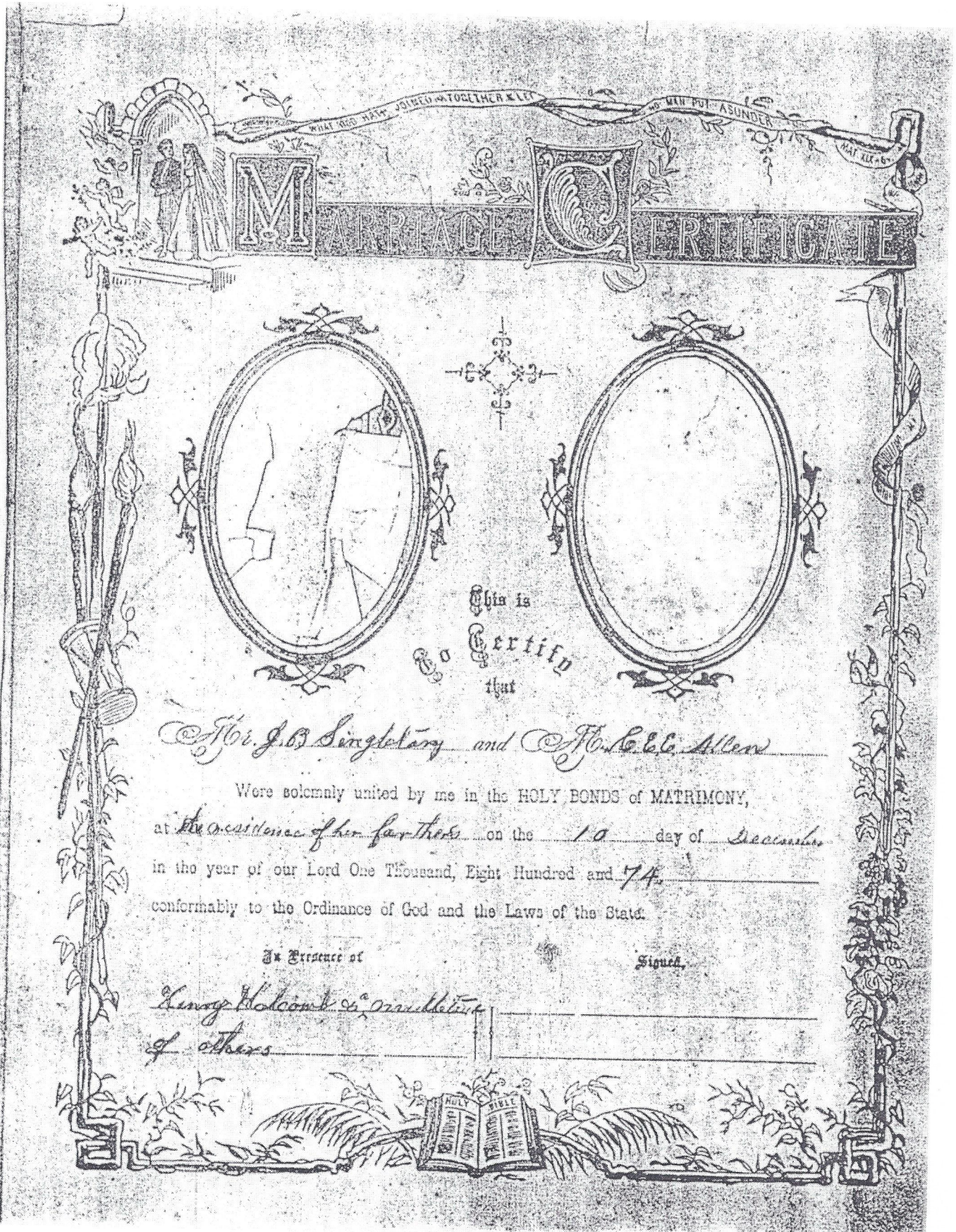
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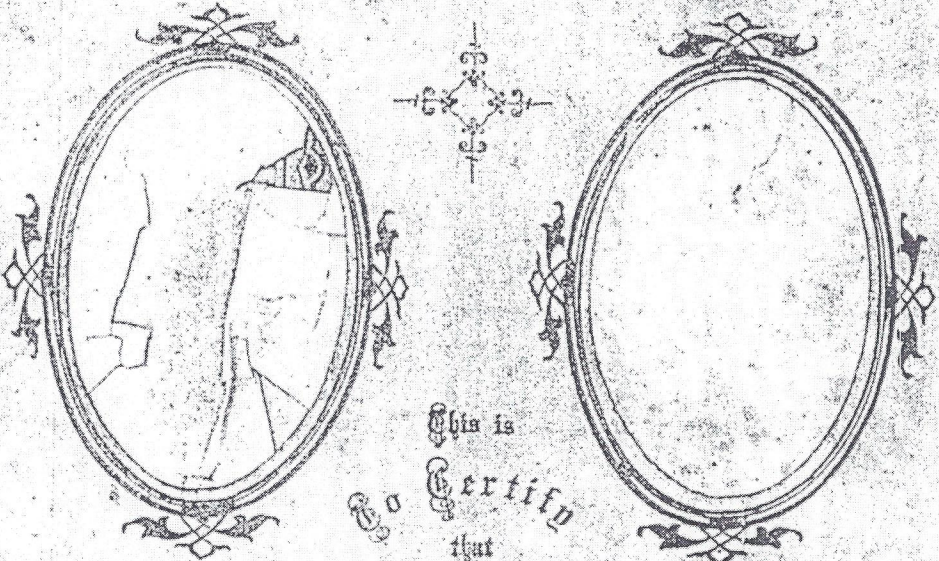
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MARRIAGE CERTIFICATE



This is Certify that

Mr. J. B. Singletary and Mrs. C. E. Allen

Were solemnly united by me in the HOLY BONDS of MATRIMONY, at the residence of her father, on the 10 day of December in the year of our Lord One Thousand, Eight Hundred and 74, conformably to the Ordinance of God and the Laws of the State.

In Presence of

Signed,

Henry Holcomb & others



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ALLEN

BIRTHS

Berry R. Allen
was born Oct
the 15 day A.D. 1823

Berry Robert Allen
Departed this life
July the 20 day
A.D. 1862
at Collock Jefferson Texas

Catharine Allen
was born Oct
the 12 day A.D. 1822.

Matilda Daniel
Allen was born
August the 29 day
A.D. 1841.

Matilda Daniel Allen
died January the
7 day A.D. 1842

William Irvin
Allen was born
November the 27
A.D. 1842

William Irvin Allen
Departed this life
September the 16 day
A.D. 1864 in Virginia

Adoniram Judson
Allen was born
June the 4 day
A.D. 1844.




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ANNALS OF THE WOOD

BIRTHS

Berry R. Allen and Catharine Andrews was married at the 22 nd A D 1840	Lucille Watters was born Jan. 26 th 1896. Ralph Williams Watters was born August Saturday 28 th 1897
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MARRIAGES

Susan Elizabeth
Allen was born
the 29 day of
September A.D. 1859
Catharine Ellen
Elizer Allen
was born

July the 23 day
A.D. 1859
Matthew Alexander
Allen was born
January the 25 1862

Catharine B. Singletary
daughter of J. B. & G. E. Sing
letary was born the 11th Nov
ember A.D. 1875

Will Watters was
born April 15 1871

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died November 20th 1878

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Roll William Watters
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Marriage Certificate This is to Certify that Mr. J. B. Singletary and Miss C. E. E. Allen Were solemnly united by me in the HOLY BONDS of MATRIMONY at the residence of her farther's on the 10 day of December in the year of our Lord One Thousand, Eight Hundred and 74 conformably to the Ordinance of God and the Laws of the State. In Presence of Henry Holcomb and a multitude of others.

Double Columns - Page I BIRTHS

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Adoniram. Judson Allen was born June the 4 day A.D. 1844.

(right hand column-entered opposite name of the individual)

Berry Robert Allen Departed this life July the 20 day A.D. 1862 at 2 o'clock, Jefferson, Texas.

Matilda Daniel Allen died January the 7 day A.D. 1842.

William Irvin Allen Departed this life September the 16 day A.D. 1861 in Virginia.

Page 2 BIRTHS

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Birdie French was born Feb. 4th 1889.

William French was born April 6th 1885.

(right hand column)

Lucille Watters was born Jan. (Sunday) 26th 1896.

Ralph William Watters was born August (Saturday) 28 1897.

James Bunyan Watters was born Oct. (Wednesday) 18 1899.

Marguerite Watters was born March 2th(?) Friday Morn 7 o'clock) 1906.

Page 3 MARRIAGES

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Catharine B. Singletary daughter of J. B. and C. E. E. Singletary was born the 11th November 1875.

Will Watters was born Apr. 15 1871.

(right hand column) Susan Elizabeth Allen Departed this life November the 9 day A.D. 1867.

Catharine E. E. Singletary died November 20th 1875.

Katie B. Singletary was married to W. E. Watters 14th Day of April A.D. 1895.

Robt. William Watters died August 7, 1899

COMMENT by Huttash: This entry "William Irvin Allen Departed this life September the 16 day A.D. 1861 in Virginia" was a real surprise to me. This had to be for Civil War service and the only Cherokee County unit I knew of to reach Virginia so early was the little group who "stepped into line," as Malachiah Reeves phrased it, when the men from Houston County marched through Alto, Texas. Page 2 of my Volume I, CIVIL WAR RECORDS OF CHEROKEE COUNTY, TEXAS, shows William Allen and states that Company I, First Texas Infantry, Hood's Brigade fought in Virginia. This was copied from the roster in the office of the county clerk at Rusk, Texas.

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Berry R. Allen, the 39 year old father of William Irvin Allen, enlisted and served in Company A, 18th Texas Infantry under Capt. M. A. Gaston, another unit primarily composed of Alto men. He died 20 July 1862 at Jefferson, Texas as stated in the Bible The List of Indigents shows Berry Allen, 6 dependents.

To recap. John Bunyan Singletary and Catharine Ellen Eliza Allen were married 10 December 1874.

Their only child Catharine B. Singletary was born 11 Nov 1875.

Catharine E. E. (Allen) Singletary died 20 November 1875.

In 1878 John Bunyan Singletary married his first cousin, Comfort Susan Singletary, daughter of Thomas and Peggy Ann Singletary, and the recent widow of Alexander Black.

On the 1880 census Catharine B., called Katie B., is in the household of her grandmother Catharine Allen, along with Alexander Allen, age 18. This would be Catharine (Andrews) widow of Berry R. Allen who died during the Civil War.

Katie B. Singletary married W. E. Watters 14 April 1895. Their children from the Bible, are:

Lucille Watters born 26 January 1896.

Ralph William Watters born 28 August 1897.

Marguerite Watters born March 1906.

Katie B. Watters

Funeral Notice

Mrs. Katy B. Watters

Aged 32 Years,

**Died at her home in Alto, Texas January
24th, 1908.**

**Funeral services at her home this
afternoon at 2 o'clock. Interment in the Alto
Cemetery one hour later.**

**Friends and acquaintances of the family
are respectfully requested to attend.**

ALTO, TEXAS, Jan. 25, 1908.

Death records show Katie B. Watters, female, age 32, died 24 January 1908 at Alto, Texas. Marriage records indicate she married Will B. Watters, Her maiden name was Singletary. J. B. Singletary married Catherine Allen 8 December 1874, and they were parents of Katie. On 21 August 1878 Jo B, married Mrs* Susan Comfort Black, widow of Alexander Black, Susan Co was a Singletary, the daughter of Thomas and Peggy Ann Singletary. The 1880 Census of Cherokee County, precinct 7, shows Kate Singletary, age 4, in the household of her grandmother Catherine Allen, age 58, born in Georgia.

Katie B. Watters

Newspaper Obituaries of Cherokee County, Texas by Helen Crawford, 1983, page 132, for 31 January 1908, show

“Mrs. Will B. Watters, while standing in front of the fire preparing her little girl for school, set fire to her dress, and there being no assistance at hand, except for the little girl, she ran into the yard a mass of flames. She was so badly burned that she died Friday afternoon* Mrs. Watters was about 35 years old and leaves a husband and 3 children.”

Years ago Miss Nellie Singletary said that Thomas Singletary (1810-1897) and Hannah A. Singletary were brothers and sisters and were mentioned in their father's will. They were born in North Carolina and were on the move to Mississippi while young. Thomas* - I moved to Cherokee County, Texas about 1848 and settled in Shiloh Community "where Netters now live." Their father was Thomas,

Hannah A. Singletary, sister of above Thomas Henry Singletary, married a distant cousin, Henry Singletary in Rankin County, Mississippi. They had four children:

- 1) John Bunyan Singletary who married
 - #1 Catherine Allen , . 8 December 1874.
 - #2 Mrs. Susan Comfort Black (nee Singletary) his first cousin, Book H-388, August 21, 1878
 - #3. Mrs. Dosia Pope, Book K-445, 10 February 1894.

2. Henryette who married John Schochler (I couldn't find record of this marriage so assume it was in Mississippi.)

3, Amanda who married Thomas Henry Holcomb, Book H-107, 25 Jan. 1875

4- Charlotte second wife of W. S. (Bill) Musick (1824-1883), they married 29 Nov. 1877, Book H-325.

Children of third child above - Henry and Amanda Holcomb-both buried in old part of Shiloh Cemetery at Alto. Henry Holcomb was born 23 Jan 1856 and died 26 Jan. 1926. Amanda Holcomb was born 14 Dec. 1855 and died 1 March 19289

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| 2. | Albert | |
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| 4. | Ed | |
| 5. | Early | |
| 6. | Arthur | |
| 7. | one son died in infancy | |

Let's name the Catherine's: Catherine who married Berry Allen. He died during the Civil War. One known child, Alex who married Sallie Young.

Catherine Allen who married John Bunyan Singletary

Catherine Singletary who married Will B. Watters

and skip a generation

Catherine Allen who married Charles Wilmer French, lives in Jacksonville now, 1989, (they divorced) Route 3 Box 276 Jacksonville Texas 75766

Katie B. Watters

When I copied Shiloh Cemetery years ago - it is marked "rechecked 16 April 1971 - I noted that the stone of Hannah A. Pitman only reads "aged 79 years." And that it is like the one for Doshia Singletary and in the same row. In going through the file on Shiloh it is found that the list given me by Virginia Singletary called REGISTER OF DEATHS AND DISPOSALS shows that #36 was W. E. Pittman died in 1884. On the 1880 Federal Census for Cherokee County, page 14 of the book by Cherokee County Genealogical Society, #26:

William PITTMAN	age 22	MS	FL	NC
Lider	20	TX	TN	TN
Hanner	50	NC	NC	NC

Marriage records indicate W. E. Pitman married A. E. Moore 13 November 1879. The bride's name is hard to read on the census and looks a bit like Lieler.

On the bottom of the register page, there is this notation: "Mrs, J. B (Docia Singletary Aug 15, 1922 in faith." This would be Mrs. Docia Pope, third wife of John Bunyan Singletary, who married him 10 Feb 1894, Book K-445.

This looks like the wife and mother of John Bunyan Singletary. I don't know when Hannah died, but she was only 50 in 1880 and could have lived a long time - or even married again.

John Bunyan's second wife was his first cousin Susan Comfort Singletary, the widow of Alexander Black, a Civil War veteran born 22 March 1836 and died 15 March 1877. Her tombstone reads "Mrs. C. S. Singletary, 23 Nov 1843-9 Oct 1887." In doing research for DAR papers it was hard to prove Comfort Susan or Susan Comfort or Susannah Comfort was the daughter of Thomas and Peggy Ann Singletary as she is shown as Hubbard S., male, on the 1850 census! I finally found a deed of gift that saved the day, so to speak. Her father fared not much better as the family is shown as SINGLETON.

A look at death records from Helen Crawford's book shows Docia Singletary of Alto died 15 August 1922, daughter of J. W. Logan and Bettie Black, burial in Shiloh Cemetery.

To restate the way I understood what Miss Nellie Singletary told me:

HANNAH AND THOMAS SINGLETARY WERE BROTHER AND SISTER and were children of another Thomas Singletary. Hannah married a cousin, Henry Singletary in Rankin County, Mississippi. After his death she married a Pittman.

Ogreta W. Huttash
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15 November 1998

Ira Gaylon White, Nomination for Volunteer of the Year Award

Cherokee County Genealogical Society

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RE: Nomination of Ira Gaylon White for the
Texas State Genealogical Society
Volunteer of the Year Award

Dear Ms. Perkins:

The Cherokee County Genealogical Society is pleased to nominate Ira Gaylon White for the Volunteer of the Year Award.

Ira Gaylon White joined our Society on April 8, 1996 and immediately began the project of surveying the cemeteries in the northwest quadrant of Cherokee County. Between April, 1996 and August 1997, information was gathered from 44 cemeteries which produced approximately 8,950 identified entries and approximately 2,000 for which no identification was possible. Several of the cemeteries were overgrown and did not appear on any map. Gaylon organized 25 people to assist in the research, but most of the data was collected by Gaylon. He entered the data and indexed the names into a database. This effort resulted in the release in August, 1997 of the publications of "Northwest Cherokee County, Texas Cemeteries, Vol. I, A thru O" and "Northwest Cherokee County, Texas Cemeteries, Vol. II, P thru Z".

Bobbie Berry Dowling had some years ago begun typing the 1910 census of Cherokee County. She donated this work to the Society. Gaylon White retyped the information from Mrs. Dowling's research into his database, completed the transcription and indexed the names. In August 1998 "1910 Federal Census, Cherokee County, Texas" was published.

Our Society had published in 1985 information from 1872 that the 1870 Federal Census for our county was probably incomplete. Gaylon proposed that the Society gather information from several sources and publish them in one book. Sylvia Booth Acker contributed the data from the 1870 Agricultural Schedule. Ogreta W. Huttash contributed the Mortality Schedule and Sue Vaughn Taylor contributed the Tax Roll names. Gaylon did the actual film reading of the Census and typing into the database, incorporating extensive notes that Sue Taylor had made from the film over the years. The book "1870 Federal Census, 1870 Agricultural Schedule, 1870 Mortality Schedule, and 1870 Tax Rolls, Cherokee County, Texas" was published in February, 1999.

Mr. White's drive, leadership, attention to detail and hard work have dramatically increased the genealogical information available about Cherokee County. The Cherokee County Genealogical Society is proud to nominate Ira Gaylon White for the Volunteer of the Year Award.

Sincerely,

(signed)
Gordon Bennett
Web Page Editor
Editor, Tree Talk

Enclosures

The Last Day at Corinth

Charge of the 246 - Death of Maj. J. J. A. Barker - Self-denying fidelity of Capt. Sidney Johnson and his Company. By Capt. Thomas Elisha Hogg (Gov. James S. Hogg's brother)

On the morning preceding the evacuation of Corinth by the Confederates under Beauregard, May 1.862, we made a considerable demonstration on the front of our lines, in order to hoodwink the enemy, while the materiel and main bulk of the troops, were withdrawn. Among the forces ordered out was the 3d Texas cavalry dismounted, under command of Col. W. P. Lane. At about sunrise on the 28th day of May, the regiment was ordered to double-quick, to reinforce the skirmishers, who were being bearly pressed, by a force of the enemy of vast numerical superiority. After passing through an immense abbatis, formed by felled trees with their branches sharpened and pointing towards us, we came up with our line of videttes, and in full view of the enemy's position which was in a valley about three hundred yards distant, covered with a jungle of blackjack underbrush that completely veiled them from our view, while our position offered no cover except large oaks, and as yet we were denied their protection, where it interfered with our alignment. As soon as we were discovered by the enemy, a galling fire was opened on our line, and from the volumes of smoke that boiled up from the copse, and the deafening roar of the musketry, we were appraised that we were initiating no trifling encounter. The battle opened in earnest now, and the fire became terrific. There were only two hundred and forty-six of our regiment well enough to be in the engagement, and owing to the enemy's heavy overbalance of numbers and their vastly advantageous position, it behooved every man to avail himself of such protection as the trees afforded. Each man took his tree, and after discharging his firelock and reloading in that position, would advance to the next obstruction and go through with the same routine. Col. Walter P. Lane, Major James J. A. Barker, and Adjutant Orlando Hallingsworth, were the only mounted officers on the field, and thus exposed were excellent targets for the enemy's sharp shooters. We had advanced but a short distance in the aforesaid manner when Lanes favorite command "charge" was ordered, to dislodge the enemy from his stronghold. At the spell-word "charge," each Texan quit his cover and dashed with wonted impetuosity upon the opposing ranks. The forests resounded with their dreadful shout, which sent a chill of terror to the hearts of the invaders. In full run, the Texans with the fury of madmen, close on the lurking enemy, whose skill and power are spent in vain to check them. Over three thousand muskets arc belching forth their death-fraught charges into the slim ranks of the brave 246 - still they come! They attain the fire-breathing thicket, and without a halt they plunge into its thorny bosom, when in one chaotic stampede the "gallant Brigade of Indianians," that Uncle Sam had entrusted with honor's post, made their shameful exit leaving about forty of their dead and a like number of wounded in the hands of the gallant 246, who pursued them hotly for a short distance, but the impolicy of pushing too far from our base, was evident from the countless "Long Rolls," heard in the enemy's line and the knowledge of the fact hat the three thousand we were pursuing were only the vanguard of one of Uncle Sam's grand armies. The chase ceased and the troops were thrown into order and countermarched to the original position. Now was realized the true pain of battle. In the fury of excitement, as on we dashed to death or victory, though a brother fell beside us, we gave it no more than a fleeting thought, and seldom stopped a moment to see the nature of the blow; but when the storm had spent its wrath, and the consequent calm had lulled our glowing passions, our hearts grew faint at the sight of those who but half an hour before, were flushed with hopes, now Lay weltering in the gory lap of death - or palely struggling on the dismal brink of eternity. Of the boys from Cherokee, we found the brave young Abner Harris dead with his musket in his hands- Wallace Caldwell-the beloved, the noble Wallace, languishing under a mortal wound, and John Lambert a cripple for life. Many were lamented on that day, but none more than that prince of nature's nobleman, the talented. chivalric Barker, the pride of his regiment. He fell while gallantly cheering his men, as he had done, on to victory on many a well fought field. His gallantry and general superiority was the theme of every tongue who knew him - his name was inseparably combined with our ideas of valor, magnanimity, truth, candor and fidelity. Oh! We thought it hard that such a noble masterpiece could not remain among us as an example. We murmured in the fullness of our sorrow-stricken hearts that our honored jewel must be blighted in the very spring-tide of his splendor. His death blow did not take him unawares for he apprehended it the preceding day. "Tis said, that "coming events cast their shadows before," and how true it was with men in the late war whose fate slumbered in the womb of the coming battle. It was truly so in Barker's case. A dreadful premonition hung an ominous pall of gloom over that face which was never known to pale through terrors gloomy as the grave encompassed him; but he was willing to lay down his Liberty, and accepted the result like a hero-he died as he had lived, in the unswerving performance of duty. He saw a skulking soldier take shelter behind a log and refuse to follow in the onset; he told the dastard to arise and join his comrades, or he would inflict on him the miscreants' penalty, and that was death. When he fell from his horse, pierced by two balls, either of which was mortal, John Myres of Co. "C" received him in his arms, and calling to Lem Reed, who was dashing by in the charge, they eased the dying hero to the ground, where-upon, Lem Reed, who supposing that he had merely fainted, while rubbing his hands in vain hope of resuscitating hint, and thus passively exposed to a perfect storm of bullets. called to the writer of this sketch, to assist in bearing him from the field, or at least out of danger of the missiles which were sweeping the ground in a frightful manner. We seized our beloved Major and carried him over a little hill to the rear, during which time he breathed out his noble soul to his God who gave it.

The Last Day at Corinth

Gen. Beauregard issued a most eulogistic bulletin, in which he manifested his admiration of the conduct of Lane and his men to the whole army, declaring their demeanor worthy of all praise and imitation. Our losses were pretty heavy, nearly equal that of the enemy, perhaps heavier. Indeed it is almost a miracle that any escaped the fate of our lamented companions when we contemplate 246 men, in an exposed position, charging a whole Brigade of three thousand men and they securely posted! It can only be accounted for as one of those mysteries or freaks of fortune, or especial provisions of Providence, that dot the history of the brave, however small in numbers, or under whatever embarrassments they may labor.

We remained in our position the remainder of the day. The enemy did not advance in force, but their skirmishers resumed the position in the brush, whence we had driven them in the morning. Shots were exchanged now and then all the remaining part of the day, during which time several rather diverting incidents transpired. Jo. Howell, of Cumby's Company from Rusk County, whiled away the dull hours on his post as vidette, in a very pleasant manner apparently to himself, by exposing his posterior on one side of his tree, and peeping from the other side, and when he would descry the smoke boil up from the covert where the enemy were concealed he would straighten himself and claim protection from the tree. Jo. was an especial target for the Yankee sharp shooters for several hours-his tree was barked with balls frequently. But the most amusing incident which occurred was a spirit of State pride, or emulation which sprung up between a young Arkansas greenhorn and a Texas ditto. For the sake of discrimination I will call the one "Greeny," the other "Gosey"-Greeny, tired of wasting his ammunition at random, conceived that if he were up one of two tall twin white oaks which stood hard by, he could do the Confederacy more efficient service, as he thought by ascending the tree he could see beyond the jungle in which the enemy were concealed and perhaps get a few fair "cracks" at the "tarnal blue jackets." So taking his gun he mounts to the highth of about thirty feet, and seating himself on a branch among the luxuriant foliage, commenced shooting "Gosey's" attention was attracted, and addressing "Greeny," inquired: "Who is that up there?" "Arkansaw!" said "Greeny." "Who are you?" "Texas" replied "Gosey," and Arkansaw can't get ahead of her either," so springing to the first limb on the other tree, he called on one of his fellows to hand him his gun, when up he climbed with the agility of a squirrel, and seating himself on a limb, within a yard of his companion, inquired: "Where are they? Show'em to me!" "Greeny" pointed out a squad of live Yankees, who seemed considerably confused from some cause, and fired again. "There, by Jingo! I got one that time! He exclaimed in agitation. "Gosey" opened fire on the same squad, and as fast as they could load and discharge their pieces, they blazed away. The foliage of the trees was so dense that the smoke of their guns could not be seen by the enemy, who seemed surprised at balls coming so close, when there was no visible foe. At length, while "Greeny" and "Gosey" were in the heyday of their glory attracting general admiration from their comrades below-Bang! Bang! Bang! went the guns of a whole Yankee platoon, and Zip! Zip! hissed the balls around our heroes' heads, peeling the bark and cutting the leaves all around them. "Gosey's" courage, glory, and fancied security vanished like a fever dream; he locked his hands around the tree and let all holds go, and woe betide the luckless limb that resisted his descent. He was on the ground in half a minute, but "Greeny's" tree had large limbs on it and he was distanced by "Gosey" by about half a second.-Greeny and Gosey kept out of trees thenceforth.

About 9 o'clock, P.M., Col. Lane received orders to withdraw. When we arrived at Corinth, we were astonished to find no army there. Everything had been removed -When we had marched about fifteen miles, it was discovered that Capt. Sid Johnson's Company was not with the Regiment. The mystery could admit of but one of two solutions; either he had been taken by the enemy, or had not received the order for withdrawal, and had been left alone with his company, to face the whole Yankee army. The latter was correct. Through mistake, when the Adjutant was visiting the posts of the different Companies, by reason of the ciminarian darkness which prevailed, Capt. Johnson was overlooked. A courier was immediately dispatched for him, and when the messenger arrived, officer and his gallant Company were found at duty's post. They heard their comrades withdrawing, but his duty was not to desert his post until ordered, and there he remained, faithful to the last. Oh, that such noble fidelity had characterized men in higher places-there might yet have been a proud victorious army marching on to conquer beneath the cherished Stars and Bars.

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Mrs. Helen Crawford, 509 Nacogdoches St., Jacksonville, TX 75766, has recently published another book in her "Saga of Cherokee County" series. It is Book No. 6 on World War I and covers newspaper clippings from 1918 Cherokee County newspapers. It includes the names of those who served in this great war, letters written home, the names of those who lost their lives in this conflict, and other interesting information. After compiling this information with a 21 page full-name index, she decided to add some clipping from the 1917 newspapers that covered events leading up to the war (these pages are not indexed). The book has a total of 256 pages, is softbound, and sells for \$22.50 (including tax where applicable). You may order her books from the address shown above.

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HESTER CEMETERY FOREST, CHEROKEE COUNTY, TEXAS I APRIL 1999

The first burial in the Hester Cemetery was in 1873. S.M. Hester buried his daughter Alice and donated land for a cemetery. Alice was the first Hester that was born in Texas, the others came from Mississippi.

Note: In the Miscellaneous column, information in upper case is found on the tombstone. My notes are in lower case. The dates have been changed to day/month/year format to enable sorting by date. Initial enumeration was done by Wayne Edwards on 23 Aug 1997, beginning at the southwest corner and continuing left to right, row by row. The NO. column is the sequential order of enumeration. Most of the information on relationships obtained from LeNell Wallace Carter and Dianna Hester Carlquist. WAEDWARDS@MSN.COM

SORTED BY NAME

NO.	LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	BORN	DIED
	<u>MISCELLANEOUS</u>			
81	ASH	BONNIE D.	9 MAY 1906	11 SEP 1998
	Daughter of Wiley & Ella Hester			
80	BAILEY	B. F.	21 JUN 1860	11 SEP 1939
	Frank, uncle of Elizabeth, Lottie & Bessie Bailey			
77	BAILEY	DAVID "BUCK"	1896	1923
	Brother of of Elizabeth, Lottie & Bessie Bailey			
106	BAILEY	ERAN	1856	1911
	Wife of Thomas Jefferson Bailey Daughter of S.M. & M.D. Hester			
75	BAILEY	HENRY S.	1850	1927
	Husband of Mary Ann, father of of Elizabeth, Lottie, W.H. & Bessie Bailey. Son of Thomas Bailey, brother of C.A.Hester			
101	BAILEY	JAMES E.		13 SEP 1882
	Husband of Velma, parents of Margaret E. & Ibra Lorene Pugh Son of Jeff & Eran Hester Bailey			
105	BAILEY	JEFF	1846	1904
	Thomas Jefferson Bailey, husband of Eran Son of Thomas & Lieucenia Bailey			
109	BAILEY	JEWELL F.	31 DEC 1920	8 JUN 1922
	Daughter of Florence Darby Bailey Underwood Cox			
107	BAILEY	LAURA		10 OCT 1882
	DAUGHTER OF T.J. AND E.E. BAILEY AGE I YEAR I I MONTHS 2 DAYS			
78	BAILEY	LIEUCENIA		I I SEP 1889
	AGE 66 YEARS WIFE OF THOMAS BAILEY Pronounced Lucina. Mother of Ciety Ann Hester			
102	BAILEY	MARGARET E.	1920	1938
	Daughter of Jim & Velma Bailey			
76	BAILEY	MARY ANN	1854	1933
	Wife of Henry S. Bailey			

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<u>MISCELLANEOUS</u>				
108	BAILEY	MARY E.		6 SEP 1881
	DAUGHTER OF T.J. AND E.E. BAILEY AGE 1 YEAR 1 MONTH 3 DAYS			
III	BAILEY	RAY	14 NOV 1918	11 AUG 1965
	DELBERT R. BAILEY TEXAS SGT 80 ARMD MED BN WWII Son of Florence Bailey Cox			
79	BAILEY	THOMAS	1818	4 MAR 1897
	Father of Ciety Ann Hester, B.F. Bailey, Henry Bailey & Jeff Bailey			
103	BAILEY	VELMA A.	1895	1962
	Wife of James E. Bailey			
110	BAILEY	W. H.	27 JAN 1889	12 FEB 1928
	First husband of Florence Darby. Son of Henry S. & Mary Ann Bailey			
41	BARKER	D.MORGAN	26 SEP 1876	5 JUN 1949
	Husband of Minnie Ola Wallace			
42	BARKER	MINNIE OLA	4 MAR 1880	23 NOV 1948
	Wife of Morgan, daughter of David Cummings Wallace			
138	BATES	DALE BYERS	15 JUN 1913	23 FEB 1956
	Daughter of Andrew & Jessie Byers			
62	BEICHNER	JEWELL HESTER	6 SEP 1901	18 JAN 1980
	Daughter of Charlie & Lena Hester			
99	BLALOCK	BERT		2 OCT 1911
	Husband of Kathryn Hester, Brother of Lila Hester			
100	BLALOCK	KITTY	4 NOV 1913	9 JUN 1994
	Wife of Bert Blalock. Daughter of Charles & Lena Hester Sister of Joe, John L., Maxie, Herman & Jewel			
161	BRUNET	HAZEL GEORGIA	13 SEP 1921	23 JUL 1996
	Wife of Ira Brunet, daughter of Tom Hester			
160	BRUNET	IRA JOSEPH		11 MAR 1920
141	BYERS	ANDREW J.	13 JAN 1878	17 JAN 1963
	Husband of Jessie E. Byers			
140	BYERS	JESSIE E.	1887	1927
	MOTHER Wife of Andrew J. Byers Daughter of Thomas Jefferson & Eran Hester Bailey			
139	BYERS	RALPH	1911	1928
	SON Son of Andrew & Jessie Byers			
7	CARTER	LENELL WALLACE		I A PR 1920
	Daughter of Forest C. & Pearl Wallace; wife of Mahlon Aaron Carter			
8	CARTER	MAHLON AARON	25 FEB 1907	25 MAR 1991
	AMM I US NAVY WWII, Father of Terry & Janice Husband of Lenell Wallace Carter			
95	CHAPMON			16 APR 1948
	INFANT DAUGHTER OF MR. & MRS. E. W. CHAPMON			
35	CHERRY	CLARA MAYE	28 JUN 1891	4 MAR 1977
	Birth date on tombstone has been changed from JUN to JAN Wife of Robert			
I	CHERRY	ELBERT S.	29 JUN 1911	9 JAN 1990
	Husband of Ruby Kelley Cherry; son of Steve & Inee Cherry			
15	CHERRY	INEE	23 SEP 1881	22 SEP 1966
	Wife of Steve Cherry; parent of Elbert, Carol & Madie			
37	CHERRY	JOE	5 FEB 1881	7 OCT 1907
	Brother of Steve & John Cherry Son of W.H. & Medora Hester Cherry			
13	CHERRY	MEDORA	27 AUG 1854	16 OCT 1930
	Wife of W. H. Cherry; mother of Carrie, Lucie, Lottie, Fannie & Steve Daughter of S.M. & M.D. Hester			
36	CHERRY	ROBERT L.	14 SEP 1879	21 DEC 1947
	Son of W.H. & Medora Hester Cherry			

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2	CHERRY	RUBY KELLEY	25 MAR 1921	
	Wife of Elbert S. Cherry			
34	CHERRY	SALLIE	8 JUL 1890	25 NOV 1907
	Daughter of W.H. & Medora Hester Cherry			
12	CHERRY	W. H.	23 NOV 1850	5 APR 1928
	Husband of Medora Hester Cherry			
14	CHERRY	W. STEVE	I OCT 1875	10 NOV 1957
	Husband of Inee Cherry, son of W.H. & Medora Cherry			
147	Cox	C. D.	6 FEB 1901	28 JUN 1963
	TEXAS PVT US ARMY WWII Husband of Florence Bailey Cox			
148	Cox	FLORENCE BAILEY	1893	1975
	Wife of C. D. Cox; mother of Ray Bailey			
118	CRUSETURNER	A. N.	1909	1936
119	CRUSETURNER	DINIA FAYE		27 APR 1979
149	CRUSETURNER	JESTON EUGENE, SR	9 MAY 1903	10 JAN 1952
122	CRUSETURNER	LAMAR	15 FEB 1936	
	MARRIED 19 OCT 1977 Wife of Manuel L. Cruseturner, Sr.			
152	CRUSETURNER	MAGGIE A.	16 JUL 1911	8 AUG 1996
121	CRUSETURNER	MANUEL L., SR.	14 DEC 1920	8 SEP 1984
117	CRUSETURNER	SAMUEL C.	1910	1927
120	CRUSETURNER	T. B.	1907	1933
163	DARBY	CLAUDE A.	31 MAY 1895	4 DEC 1982
144	DARBY	JAMES WILLIAM	4 NOV 1864	21 AUG 1950
164	DARBY	MAE I. COKER	14 JAN 1896	17 JUL 1983
	Wife of Claude A. Darby			
145	DARBY	NANCY JANE	22 MAR 1858	7 AUG 1946
146	DARBY	WALTER W.	2 JUL 1887	12 MAR 1969
	TEXAS PVT 157 DEPOT BRIG WWI			
48	DEW	CHARLES LEWIS	22 SEP 1944	11 JAN 1945
	Son of Linton & Hazel Lee Dew			
132	DEW	ELBERT ROY	14 JUL 1926	6 AUG 1997
	Husband of Retha Reigh Staton Dew			
30	DEW	FARRIS O.	29 NOV 1909	1 JAN 1996
	Son of Will & Lena Dew, husband of Fern Dew			
31	DEW	FERN P.	I I SEP 1912	
	MARRIED 6 OCT 1933 Wife of Farris O. Dew			
51	DEW	HAZEL L.	30 JUN 1922	
	MARRIED 2 JUL 1938 Wife of Linton Dew			
29	DEW	LENA D.	20 OCT 1890	23 APR 1982
	MARRIED 30 JUL 1908 Wife of William L. Dew Sister of Charles, Wiley, Ed & Annie Hester			
50	DEW	LINTON	30 MAY 1912	2 AUG 1984
	Husband of Hazel L. Dew Son of Will & Lena Dew			
49	DEW	PATSY JEAN	3 FEB 1946	OCT 1946
	Daughter of Linton & Hazel Lee Dew			
131	DEW	RETHA REIGH	12 JUL 1930	21 DEC 1994
	Wife of Elbert Roy Dew Daughter of Verda Hester Staton			
27	DEW	ROY FONZO	7 DEC 1883	21 JUN 1948
	Brother of William L. Dew			
47	DEW	WILLIAM ARLEN	15 SEP 1939	20 DEC 1939
	Son of Linton & Hazel Lee Dew			

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<u>MISCELLANEOUS</u>				
28	DEW	WILLIAM L.	2 JAN 1886	23 FEB 1978
	Husband of Lena Hester Dew, father of Linton, Farris, and Irma Dean			
II	DORMANY	FANNIE	18 JAN 1878	24 OCT 1962
	Wife of H.T. Dormany, daughter of W.H. & Medora Hester Cherry			
10	DORMANY	H. T.	13 FEB 1872	5 NOV 1940
	Husband of Fannie, father of Lila Williamson			
93	DOSS	THOMAS WAYNE		
	INFANT SON OF MR. & MRS. JOHN DOSS			
154	DOSSETT	ALZA	1884	1966
	Wife of George Dossett			
157	DOSSETT	ANNIE STRICKLAND	8 DEC 1911	15 SEP 1967
	Wife of Bennett Edward Dossett			
156	DOSSETT	BENNETT EDWARD	2 MAY 1910	8 SEP 1993
153	DOSSETT	GEORGE	1888	1969
155	DOSSETT	JACK ?	12 SEP 1933	? MAY 1934
	NOTE: Cannot determine if death date is Mar or May			
165	FARMER	CHARLIE WALKER	24 APR 1918	24 DEC 1998
	Husband of Claudia Darby			
166	FARMER	CLAUDIE MAE DARBY	3 AUG 1920	
158	GANDY	PATSY PAGE	3 NOV 1943	15 JAN 1978
	Daughter of Roscoe and Maudice Hester Page Grand-daughter of Wiley & Ella Hester			
86	GASTON	ELLA SUE	29 JAN 1934	27 AUG 1952
	Daughter of Zack and Reba Gaston			
85	GASTON	REBA	9 AUG 1907	14 FEB 1969
	Daughter of Wiley and Ella Hester			
84	GASTON	ZACK	16 SEP 1905	20 OCT 1939
	Husband of Reba Hester Gaston, father of Betty, Sue & Jack			
52	GILBERT	T. B.	1860	1915
3	GILCREASE	ROY HAMILTON	II MAR 1918	12 DEC 1986
	AM I US NAVY WW II Son-in-law of Tom Hester			
142	GILLESPIE	EDGAR B.	18 OCT 1907	2 JAN 1908
	SON OF D.B & M.A. GILLESPIE			
91	HALL	J. B.		21 SEP 1918
	Husband of Lelia M. McCullough Hall			
92	HALL	LELIA M.	6 DEC 1914	21 DEC 1979
	Daughter of Asa & Mary Hester McCullough			
21	HARRIS	CHARLES PLEAMON	19 JUL 1915	26 MAR 1918
	Son of Tom & Mamie Harris			
23	HARRIS	MARY "MAMIE"	12 JUL 1885	14 JUN 1963
	Wife of Tom Harris, daughter of Dave & Rachel Hester Wallace			
22	HARRIS	T. M. "TOM"	II APR 1878	22 JUL 1967
	Husband of Mamie Wallace Harris, father of Hazel, Opal, Leitha, & Elmer			
96	HESTER			18 JAN 1940
	INFANT DAUGHTER OF MR. & MRS. MAXIE HESTER			
97	HESTER			21 MAY 1926
	INFANT SON OF MR. & MRS. MAXIE HESTER			
73	HESTER	ALICE	II AUG 1861	30 SEP 1873
	Daughter of S.M. & Mary D. Hester First grave in cemetery. Only child born in Texas			
59	HESTER	CHARLIE R.	6 DEC 1871	24 OCT 1964
	Husband of Lena Hester, son of W.J. & Ciety Ann Hester			

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	<u>MISCELLANEOUS</u>			
68	HESTER	CIETY ANN	29 AUG 1852	15 MAY 1907
	Daughter of Thomas & Lieucenia Bailey			
63	HESTER	DORRIS GEANE	25 NOV 1927	31 MAR 1934
	Daughter of John L. Hester			
57	HESTER	EDMOND DAWSON	13 SEP 1882	7 OCT 1963
	Husband of Susan Effie Hester, brother of Wiley & Charlie Hester			
83	HESTER	ELLA	22 JAN 1880	15 AUG 1920
	Wife of Wiley Hester			
18	HESTER	GEORGE W.	1891	1901
	Son of Rufus & Lilla Hester, brother of Mary McCullough			
135	HESTER	HERMAN PIERSON	29 DEC 1903	12 JAN 1977
	MARRIED 30 MAR 1924 Married to Ruth Turner Hester, son of Charles & Lena Hester			
70	HESTER	J. F.	13 JUN 1885	19 JAN 1892
	Joseph Frank, known as Frank, son of W.J. & Ciety Ann Hester			
56	HESTER	JOE P., JR. "SKEEZIX"	24 AUG 1955	24 OCT 1969
	Son of Joe P. & Lila B. Hester			
54	HESTER	JOE PERSHING	12 SEP 1918	
	Husband of Lila B. Hester, son of Charles & Lena Hester			
64	HESTER	JOHN L.	18 NOV 1893	20 MAY 1969
	TEXAS CPL BATTERY F 50 FIELD ARTY WWI Son of Charles & Lena Hester			
134	HESTER	JONNIE RUTH	21 JUL 1906	16 NOV 1992
	Wife of Herman Hester			
60	HESTER	LENA	19 FEB 1877	26 APR 1933
	Wife of Charlie R. Hester, sister of Lilla Townsend Hester and John Townsend			
55	HESTER	LILA BLALOCK	18 APR 1919	
	Wife of Joe P. Hester, parents of Diana & Joe P. Hester Jr.			
40	HESTER	LILLA M.	5 MAR 1860	14 APR 1900
	First wife of Rufus Learneer Hester, mother of Mary McCullough Maiden name Townsend			
94	HESTER	LINDA LEE		
	INFANT DAUGHTER OF MR. & MRS. H. P. HESTER			
72	HESTER	LOUELLA	21 JAN 1879	21 FEB 1879
	Daughter of W.J. & Ciety Ann Hester			
46	HESTER	M.D.	8 JAN 1820	17 MAR 1891
	AGE 72 YEARS, Mary Delphine Fayard Hester, wife of S. M. Hester			
16	HESTER	MARSHALL W.	27 JUN 1894	10 MAR 1950
	TEXAS CPL 27 MTR TRK CO MTC WWI Son of Rufus & Lilla Hester, brother of Mary McCullough			
20	HESTER	MATTIE C.	20 SEP 1900	13 DEC 1978
	Wife of Thomas S. Hester			
98	HESTER	MAXIE H.	2 APR 1924	4 FEB 1925
	Infant son of Mr. & Mrs. Maxie Hester			
38	HESTER	ORA CLARA	24 JAN 1889	25 APR 1959
	Second wife of Rufus Learneer Hester			
17	HESTER	RAYMOND L.	1908	1909
	Son of Rufus & Lilla Hester, brother of Mary McCullough			
133	HESTER	ROY TURNER	9 FEB 1939	8 NOV 1976
	Son of Herman & Ruth Hester			
39	HESTER	RUFUS LEARNEER	18 OCT 1859	28 MAR 1945
	MASON, husband of Ora, son of S.M. & M.D. Hester Father of Mary McCullough and Tom Hester			

HESTER CEMETERY FOREST, CHEROKEE COUNTY, TEXAS

NO.	LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	BORN	DIED
<u>MISCELLANEOUS</u>				
61	HESTER	RUTH		AGE 5
	Daughter of Charles Robert & Lena Townsend Hester			
45	HESTER	S. M.		I MAR 1889
	AGE 74 YEARS, Stephen Myers Hester, Founder of cemetery Husband of M. D. Hester			
58	HESTER	SUSAN EFFIE	13 AUG 1890	18 FEB 1965
	Wife of Edmond D. Hester, mother of Lila Hester & Bert Blalock by first husband Frank Blalock			
71	HESTER	T. C.	12 JUN 1880	12 SEP 1881
	Known as Tom, son of W.J. & Ciety Ann Hester			
19	HESTER	THOMAS S.	30 JUL 1882	23 SEP 1968
	Son of Rufus & Lilla Hester, brother of Mary McCullough			
65	HESTER	VERA BATE "GRANNY"	19 NOV 1904	16 JUL 1992
	Wife of John L. Hester			
69	HESTER	W. J.	22 MAR 1849	29 JAN 1907
	MASON, husband of Ciety Ann Hester William Jasper, son of Stephen & Mary Hester			
82	HESTER	WILEY	19 DEC 1873	12 JUL 1970
	Husband of Ella Jayroe Hester Wiley Stephen Hester. Son of W.J. & Ciety Ann Hester			
150	HUFF	LUCY D. CRUSETURNER	15 APR 1907	13 JUL 1995
137	JONES	CHARLCIE HESTER	16 JUN 1925	3 DEC 1990
	Daughter of Herman & Ruth Hester			
74	LePAGE	LOT TIE LEE	31 JUL 1898	11 OCT 1993
	Sister of Elizabeth & Bessie Bailey			
67	LENNING	ANNIE HESTER	24 DEC 1894	22 NOV 1983
	Sister of Wiley Hester			
66	LITTLE	J. P.	3 JAN 1892	25 MAR 1941
	Husband of Annie Hester			
112	MARGLIN	ASA	1852	1937
114	MARGLIN	HENRY	1850	1907
113	MARGLIN	MYRTIL	1894	1899
6	MARTIN	MARY JANE	2 APR 1860	15 JAN 1929
	Mother of Emma Pearl Allen Wallace			
125	McCULLOUGH	ASA J.	10 JUL 1881	6 JAN 1972
	Husband of Mary Hester McCullough			
128	McCULLOUGH	CARIE O.	3 NOV 1917	7 DEC 1993
	OES Wife of Oscar L. McCullough			
162	McCULLOUGH	DONALD LANIER		
	NOTE: Marker only says The Family of Donald Lanier McCullough He is the son of Oscar McCullough			
87	McCULLOUGH	ELEANOR F.	12 APR 1918	
	Second wife of Troy McCullough			
124	McCULLOUGH	LINNIE B.	1913	1968
	Wife of Troy E. McCullough			
126	McCULLOUGH	MARY D.	5 OCT 1886	16 FEB 1966
	Wife of Asa McCullough Daughter of Rufus & Lilla M. Hester			
127	McCULLOUGH	OSCAR L.	20 NOV 1908	10 SEP 1984
	MASON CPL US ARMY WWII Son of Asa & Mary McCullough			
123	McCULLOUGH	TROY E.	1910	1996
	Husband of Linnie, son of Asa & Mary McCullough			
115	MONK	LAURA A.	19 SEP 1858	27 JAN 1891
	WIFE OF N. J. MONK			
116	MONK	NATHAN J.	1850	1940
159	PAGE	ROSCOE H.	10 JUL 1912	29 JAN 1999
	Husband of Maudice Hester Page Father of Patsy Page Gandy			

HESTER CEMETERY FOREST, CHEROKEE COUNTY, TEXAS

NO.	LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	BORN	DIED
<u>MISCELLANEOUS</u>				
9	PHEGLEY TEXAS PVT. I CL I FIELD ARTY	FLOYD A. Nephew of J.P. Little	2 APR 1897	17 OCT 1935
89	PITTS MARRIED 4 DEC 1926	LILLA ODESSA Wife of Dock Pitts, Daughter of Asa & Mary McCullough	9 AUG 1907	21 MAY 1996
88	PITTS Husband of Lilla McCullough Pitts	M. C. "DOCK"	8 JUL 1905	7 AUG 1994
104	PUGH Daughter of James E. & Velma Bailey, sister of Margaret E. Bailey & Clinton Bailey	IBRA LORENE	1913	1987
151	RATCLIFF	ALZA LYNN	1936	1985
90	RICHARDSON Husband of Evelyn McCullough Richardson	THOMAS LEE	25 NOV 1920	4 DEC 1972
53	ROOK Grandson of Joe & Lila Hester, son of Diana Hester Rook	ROBERT DARCY	15 NOV 1967	31 MAY 1997
129	STATON US ARMY AIR CORPS	JAMES M. Son of Rollie & Verda Mae Staton	9 MAR 1924	4 SEP 1944
130	STATON Wife of Rollie Staton, mother of Wanda, Retha & James	VERDA MAE Daughter of Wiley & Ella Hester	23 AUG 1904	1 FEB 1987
143	UNDERWOOD Daughter of Florence Bailey Underwood Cox	MAVIS	1931	1941
43	WALLACE David Cummings Wallace, husband of Rachel R. Hester Wallace, parents of Hubbard H., Perry, Forest C., Elmer L., Minnie, Allie, Mamie, Leona and Nena	DAVID C.	1851	1910
5	WALLACE Wife of Forest C. Wallace, parents of Hilma, LeNell & Ruth Hazel	E. PEARL	22 AUG 1894	8 AUG 1985
26	WALLACE Wife of Hubbard N. Wallace, daughter of Henry & Mary Ann Bailey	ELIZABETH	1889	1975
4	WALLACE Husband of Emma Pearl Allen Wallace	FOREST C.	7 MAY 1891	6 MAY 1943
25	WALLACE Husband of (1) Mattie and (2) Elizabeth Bailey Wallace, parents of Frazier, O.T. and Maurine	H. H.	1881	1946
24	WALLACE First wife of Hubbard H. Wallace	MATTIE T.	1884	1908
44	WALLACE Wife of David Cummings Wallace, daughter of S.M. & M.D. Hester	RACHEL R.	16 FEB 1857	25 APR 1895
32	WILLIAMSON Husband of Lila Williamson, daughter Beatrice Wisener	EARNEST	6 OCT 1897	28 MAR 1934
33	WILLIAMSON MARRIED I I NOV 1919	LILA Wife of Earnest, daughter of Fannie Dormany	29 SEP 1902	16 OCT 1984
136	WOFFORD Husband of Bobbie Hester	RAY D.	I DEC 1921	20 MAR 1983

Jacksonville, Texas by Bernard Mayfield

Jacksonville, Texas (population 13,500), largest town in Cherokee County, began in 1847 on the east banks of Gum Creek (now Lake Jacksonville).

The town was named for Jackson, IL, hometown of Jacksonville's founder, Jackson Smith, who first saw the spot in 1838 while scouting for Gen. Thomas J. Rusk's Militia, searching for the perpetrators of the Killough Massacre. A Cherokee Indian, living in a log cabin there, was farming the place. Smith thought the area would be a beautiful place to live.

The Indians were driven out in 1839 and Cherokee County was organized in 1846. The next year, Smith returned to find several families already on his Gum Creek location. Early settlers there included Hundley Wiggins, F. C. Hardgraves, David Tumlinson, and Jack Odle.

Jackson Smith bought all of the James Ford labor' (Mexican survey of 144 acres) and built his home and blacksmith shop near the west boundary. When the Gum Creek Post Office was authorized June 15, 1848, he was appointed Postmaster and the mail was kept in a box in the end of his blacksmith shop.

The town site of Jacksonville (Old Jacksonville), consisting of 24 blocks around a small town square, was surveyed by Absoloin Gibson near Smith's home in early 1850. The post office name was changed to Jacksonville June 20, 1850.

The new town, located on the stagecoach route from Tyler to Rusk (county seat of Cherokee County) soon attracted other settlers. The newcomers included, among others, John Odle, E. B. Ragsdale, W. J. Ragsdale, John M. Benge, R. R. Jowell, Williams Isaacks, David Greene Templeton, E. J. Debard, Dr. J. S. Lindsey, Rev. Isham Lane, John C. Staton, R. A. Watson, Lemuel Kimbro, James Martin, G. W. Kincheloe, and William Dennison.

M. L. Earl, grandson of Elijah Earle for whom nearby Earle's Chapel is named, estimated that about 48 business houses operated at Old Jacksonville before the town moved to the present site.

The Methodist and Baptist congregations built churches in Old Jacksonville before 1850 and a Cumberland Presbyterian Church was built one-half mile east of town in 1871. During the Civil War The George K. Grimes Store, selling goods brought from Matamoras on the Rio Grande River, was the only business in town.

Jacksonville men, serving in numerous units of the Confederate Army, died on many battle fields during the war. The town raised its own Company K of the 18th Texas Infantry; J. C. Maples was Captain. The unit fought in Louisiana at the battles of Mansfield and Pleasant Hill in the spring of 1864.

During the time of Presidential Reconstruction, Jacksonville, troubled with lawlessness, developed a bad reputation.

In 1872 the International Railroad, building from Hearne to Longview, was routed through Cherokee County about a mile north of Jacksonville. A new 200 acre townsite was surveyed out at Fry's Summit. The land was purchased from four owners - Sarah Fry, E. B. Ragsdale, T. D. Campbell, and C. S. Bolton.

In the summer of 1872, Old Jacksonville virtually vanished. Store buildings were dismantled, loaded on ox-drawn wagons, and raised up again in the new town. Business houses that made the move were Maples and Ragsdale, Allen and Lawler, George Tilley, Henry Gover & Co., Peter G. Rhome, B. K. Smith, A. J. Chessher, W. H. Lovelady. George Rhome (a Mulato) moved his blacksmith shop and W. C. Cobb opened a hotel at the northeast corner of the Rusk and Main intersection.

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New businesses were also attracted to Jacksonville. Emory Clapp and J. H. Brown, a chain store, built at the southeast corner of the Main and Wilson (Front Street) intersection. Other businesses included John H. and William Cal. Bolton, J. L. Douglas, W. M. McKinney and W. A. Brown, B. B. Cannon, Luther Grimes, N. G. Graggard, Jarrett and Goodson, Thompson and Thompson, and Sam. T. Spruill who made carriages.

By 1874 Jacksonville had a population of 400. In addition to the aforementioned businesses, there were two fraternities (Masons and Odd Fellows), a Methodist Church, and Union Sunday School. J. H. Mason & Company published the "Texas Intelligencer" newspaper, edited by A. R. McCollum. W. C. Cobb operated a livery stable and daily hack (horse-drawn conveyance) to Rusk. Industry in town consisted of a grist mill and three sawmills. Three saloons were open in town, and one local temperance organization, The Independent Order of Good Templars, kept up the fight against them.

About this time, the town of Rusk, anxious to connect with the International-Great Northern Railroad, persuaded Jacksonville to buy 2,000 shares of stock and procure five miles of right-of-way to bring the Rusk Tram Railroad to Jacksonville. The tram depot was on the northeast corner of the Main & Wilson Street intersection. On April 29, 1875, the narrow gauge locomotive, pulling three flat cars, left the depot for Rusk. The trip took two and one-half hours. The little train kept falling off the warped wooden tracks. Needless to say, the train venture was a failure. Later used as a mule-drawn conveyance, the little flat cars hauled material over the road to build the Rusk Penitentiary in the early 1880's.

Jacksonville in the 1880's made good progress. Another railroad, the Kansas and Gulf Short Line, built from Tyler to Rusk. Originally a narrow gauge line, the tracks were converted to standard gauge in 1895. Four years later it became the St. Louis and Southwestern Railroad - called the Cotton Belt until the line was removed in the late 1980's.

The decade also witnessed substantial changes in the appearance of downtown Jacksonville. Several wooden store buildings, that originally faced Front Street (now Wilson Street) south of the IGN tracks, were replaced by brick structures facing Commerce Street. W. H. Lovelady built the first brick building in 1882 at the northeast corner of the Bolton and Commerce intersection. That same year, at the east end of the same block, E. B. Ragsdale replaced his wooden store with a new brick one. The W. A. Brown and McKinney business also built a new brick building west of Ragsdale's about that time. In 1889 the Morris Brothers built a two-story brick at the southwest corner of Main and Commerce Streets where the Allen and Lawler Store originally stood.

Neither was religion and education neglected. In 1882 the Cumberland Presbyterian Church was built on South Bolton Street, the site of the present First Presbyterian Church. Two years later the First Baptist Church was built on the northeast corner of Ragsdale and Nacogdoches Streets.

Jacksonville's first public school was built in 1855 at the east end of Commerce Street on the site of the present Tomato Bowl Stadium field house.

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