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Editor's Letter

Thanks to Linda Risinger for allowing us to print the military records and biographies of the Confederate Veterans honored at the Griffin Cemetery on Sunday, April 23, 2017.

We honor our long-time member, Mae Gean McElroy Pettit by printing her story from Deborah L. Burkett's book **East Texas Piney Woods Spunky Women 1830s-1950s, Spirited Individuals who made a Difference.**

Tim D. Taylor has again contributed a letter from his Roach family collection. Thanks Tim!

Virginia Singletary has a beautiful quilt she wants to pass to a descendent of one of the quilt's makers. See her story on page 91.

Gordon Bennett
Editor

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Confederate Memorial Services



Honoring
Veterans of the War Between the States

1861-1865

Sunday, April 23, 2017

2:30 in the afternoon
at the

HISTORIC GRIFFIN CEMETERY

New Summerfield, Texas

Sponsored by:

Moses M. Buckner Chapter 2442

United Daughters of Confederacy

Cross of Saint Andrew's Camp 2009

Sons of Confederate Veterans

Cross of Saint Andrew's Southern Belles

Confederate Memorial Service

**ORDER OF SERVICE FOR GRIFFIN CEMETERY
NEW SUMMERFIELD, TEXAS****Invocation**

Shelva Danel**

(Words to pledges and songs on back of program)

"Amazing Grace"

Led by Don Wood

Pledges to the Flags:**United States of America**

Vivian Cates**

Texas

Ann Womack**

Confederate States of America

Inez McKnight**

Greetings and Opening Remarks

Betty Miller**

Challenge to UDC Members

Betty Miller**

Charge to Sons of Confederate Veterans

Ken McClure*

Tribute to Southerners

Jim Perry*

Tribute to the Boys in Gray

William Blankinship*

Tributes to Veterans

Descendants and Friends of Veterans

Tribute to our Confederate Heroes

Shelley Cleaver*

Wreath of Remembrance

Mary Taylor**

Roll Call of Veterans

Commander Ken McClure*

Rifle Salute

Sons of Confederate Veterans*

Taps

Dan Childs

Laying of Roses

Descendants and Southern Belles***

"Dixie"

Led by Don Wood

Benediction

Read in Unison, Led by Mary Taylor**

"The Lord bless us and keep us. The Lord make His face to shine upon us, and be gracious to us. The Lord lift up His countenance upon us and give us peace, both now and evermore." Amen

Confederate Memorial Service

*Cross of Saint Andrews Camp 2009 SCV

**Moses M Buckner Chapter 2442 UDC

***Cross of Saint Andrews Southern Belles

Roster of CSA Veterans at Griffin Cemetery

Jesse P. Cornelison	Co. B, Wallers' Reg. 28 th TX Cavalry
John C. Evans	Co. A, 28 th Reg. Mississippi Cavalry
Felix G. Hardgraves	Co. B, 17 th TX Cavalry (Moore's Reg.)
Joseph. E. Kirkland	Co. I, 27 th Reg., Louisiana Infantry
Rial Smith	28 th Reg. TX Cavalry (Randal's)(1 st TX Lancers)
Israel P. Smith	2Lt., Co. B, 28 th TX Cavalry Dismounted

Please join us for refreshments!

OUR THANKS to: Griffin Cemetery Assn., those persons who researched and identified the veterans and located graves (special thanks to Linda Risinger), all program personalities, descendants, compatriots, UDC members, SCV members, and Belles who participated, Cherokee County Historical Commission for the sound system, and all who participated in any way to make this day a success.

Confederate Memorial Service**Pledges to the Flags**

United States: "I pledge allegiance to the flag of the United States of America and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all."

Texas: "Honor the Texas Flag, I pledge allegiance to Thee, Texas, one state under God, one and indivisible."

Confederate: "I salute the Confederate Flag with affection, reverence, and undying remembrance to the cause for which it stands."

Amazing Grace

John Newton

"Amazing grace! How sweet the sound, that saved a wretch like me!
I once was lost but now am found, was blind but now I see.

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, and grace my fears
relieved;
How precious did that grace appear the hour that I first believed.

When we've been there ten thousand years, bright shining as the sun,
We've no less days to sing God's praise than when we first begun. "

DIXIE

Daniel Decatur Emmett

I wish I was in the land of cotton,
Old times there are not forgotten,
Look away! Look away! Look away! Dixie Land,
In Dixie Land where I was born in,
Early on one frosty mornin',
Look away! Look away! Look away! Dixie Land.
Den I wish I was in Dixie.
Hooray! (Hooray) Hooray! (Hooray)
In Dixie Land, I'll take my stand to live and die in Dixie;
Away, Away, Away down south in Dixie.
Away, Away, Away down south in Dixie."

Confederate Memorial Service

Felix G. Hardgraves

Pvt. Felix G Hardgrave was in Co B, 17th Cavalry, Moore's Regiment. He enlisted February 15, 1862 at Larissa for a period of 12 months. He was age 23 when he enlisted. He was on the muster roll from February 15th to June 30, 1862. He was discharged June 13, 1862.

Felix's parents were Francis Charles Hardgraves and Ann Eliza Greer. When Felix G Hardgraves was born on November 27, 1837, in Arkansas, his father, Francis, was 26 and his mother, Ann, was 23.

Felix married Susan Johnson in 1869. In 1900, they were married for 30 years. Susan was the mother of 11 children and 7 were living.

In 1850, Felix was living in Cherokee County, Texas with his parents G C and Eliza A Hardgrave and five siblings. Felix's father is a farmer. All the children are born in Arkansas except the youngest one born in Texas.

In 1860, he is living in Cherokee County, Texas, post office Rusk, Texas with his parents F C and Ann E Hartgraves and six siblings.

In 1870, he is living in Cherokee County, Texas, post office Jacksonville, married with wife Susan and one child. He is listed as a farmer.

In 1880, he is still living in Cherokee County, Texas with wife Susan A. and six children.

In 1900, Felix and Susie were still living in Cherokee County, Texas with four children.

He died on January is, 1906, at the age of 68.

Confederate Memorial Service

Israel Pickens Smith

Private I P Smith was in Co B, 28th Texas Cavalry (Randal's Regiment, 1 Texas Lancers). He enlisted April 5th, 1862 in Rusk, Texas for 3 years or war. His age was listed as 32. Number of miles to rendezvous was 80, valuation of horse \$140.00 and equipment \$30.00. On a company muster roll for May and June 1863, I P was sick at Delhi, LA. On June 15th, 1863 he was elected 2nd Lieutenant. July and August 1863, present and remarks were sick, returned from Delhi, LA on July 17th, 1863.

On December 19th, 1864 from Camp Magruder, I P Smith sent a letter to Colonel Anderson asking to tender his resignation as 2nd Lieutenant as Company B, 28th Texas Cavalry on account of my health for the particulars of which I would refer you to the Surgeon's certificate approved and respectfully forwarded. Also in the same letter is: Lt Israel P Smith of Co. B, 28th Texas Cavalry Dismounted having applied for a certificate on which to ground his resignation, we do hereby certify that we have carefully examined this officer and find that he is unable to perform the duties of his office because of chronic rheumatism-Lumbago and Sciatica; involving the membranes of the spinal cord and extremities, disqualifying him for military service. He has been unable for duty for the last two years the greater portion of his time. He has had the benefit of hospital treatment without relief. We would therefore recommend that his resignation be accepted. It was signed by the Medical Ex. Board, W. S. Fowler, Surgeon and two other signatures I was unable to read. (The writing was very dim.)

I P Smith appears on a Roster containing Rosters of Commissioned Officers, date of resignation, January 10, 1865.

When Israel Pickens Smith was born April 20, 1830 in Tennessee, his father, John, was 34 and his mother, Mary, was 30. He had six brothers and seven sisters.

In 1850, Israel P Smith was living in McMinn County, TN with John and Elizabeth Smith and 8 siblings. They were all born in Tennessee. His father was a farmer.

Confederate Memorial Service

Israel Pickens Smith, continued

Israel Smith's mother died in 1859 in McMinn County, TN. I could not find I P Smith in 1860.

In 1870, Israel P Smith was living in Cherokee County, TX, post office Rusk with his wife Paralee and two females that worked in the house and one male that was a school teacher.

In 1880, Israel Smith was living in Cherokee County, TX with his wife Paralle and one daughter and three sons.

He died May 8th, 1889 in Smith, Texas, at the age of 59.

Confederate Memorial Service

Jesse Porter Cornelison

Pvt Jesse P. Cornelison was in Co. B, Waller's Reg't., 28th Texas Cavalry. His muster- in roll listed him as age 25, Camp Waller, April 5, 1862. He joined in Hempstead for 3 years or war. He was discharged by substitute, July 19, 1862. He lost his horse at Bonnet Carre, LA., September 8, 1862. He filed for a Confederate Pension and was approved September 27, 1905. A letter in the pension file stated he is reported present on a company muster roll dated February 19, 1864. Application for Mortuary Warrant in the pension file stated he died 5th day of November, 1929 in Troup.

Jesse Porter "Porter" Cornelison was born on February 11, 1838, in Cassville, Barry County, Missouri, the child of John and Amanda Elizabeth King.

In 1850, he was living in District 5, Barry County, Missouri with his parents and 7 siblings. His father was a farmer. He came to Cherokee County, Texas in 1857, joining two uncles already here.

In 1860, he was living in Marlin, Falls County, Texas with wife, Mary E and 3 children. He was a farmer.

In 1870, he was living in Falls County, Texas with wife Mary and 8 children and a farmer.

In 1880, he was a widower living in Falls County, Texas with 8 children. The youngest child was 3 years old.

In 1900, he is living in Falls County with his son, William H Cornelison, wife Pearl and two sons.

In 1910, he is still a widower living in Falls County with son Samuel, wife Mildred and seven children.

In 1920, he was living with his widowed daughter and her daughters in Cherokee County, Texas. He was age 81.

He was living in Cherokee County when he died at the age of 92 on November 5th, 1929.

Confederate Memorial Service

Joseph E Kirkland

Private Joseph E Kirkland was in Co I, 2ih Regiment Louisiana Infantry. He enlisted March 24, 1862 in New Orleans for 3 years or war. He was on the muster roll May and June 1862. Discharged on the 23th day of August 1862 and final statement given. One record stated he was discharged on account of disability.

In June 1899, Joseph applied for a pension. He was 60 years old; his pension file number is 06034. He stated he was in Company I, 2ih Louisiana Regiment for one year.

I found a Confederate pension dated November 17, 1899. The pension was filed in Smith County, Texas. He had resided in Smith County, Texas for 8 years per the pension information. His occupation was listed as a farmer and his physical condition stated he had rhematisation and he was crippled. He stated he was crippled because of wound he received in the Confederate war. He did not have any land, but he had two cows and one calf, and seven head of hogs and no other property. He signed his name with an X. His affidavit of physician stated he had rhemmatisation and chronic sore on leg which left him a cripple. His pension was approved February 12th. 1900. S B McCutcheon and T C Lewis, Captain of his company, were witnesses in his pension file. Both of the men lived in Louisiana.

Joseph E. Kirkland was born on December 15, 1841, in Franklin, Alabama, his father, William, was 42 and his mother, Sarah, and was 36.

In 1850, Joseph Kirkland is 8 years old listed with his father, Hiram William Kirkland and second wife, Prudence with seven siblings in Cherokee County, TX. Joseph's mother died before 1844.

Prudence Kirkland's parents were William Bottoms and wife Ann. I found a record titled Department of the Interior, Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes. William Bottoms was one-half Choctaw and his wife Ann was full blood Choctaw.

I could not locate Joseph E Kirkland in 1860. I did find Prudence Kirkland in 1860 living with her brother, Smith Bottoms and family and their father age 70. Prudence had 4 children living with her, Joseph's brother, William and 3 of the siblings listed in 1850 in Cherokee County, TX. They were living in Cherokee County, TX, Rusk post office.

Joseph married Mary Elizabeth Couch on September 10, 1863. They had two children during their marriage.

In 1870, Joseph is living in Rusk, Cherokee County, TX with wife, Mary E. Kirkland, born AL and one son, Thomas Kirkland age 5, born Texas.

In 1880, I did not find Joseph Kirkland but I found his son Thomas living in Cherokee County, Texas with his maternal grandparents, Drewry and Mary Couch.

In 1900, Joseph and Mary E are living in Cherokee County, TX with Mary E's mother, Mary Couch age 77, born in North Carolina.

Joseph died February 19, 1907 in Cherokee County, Texas at the age of 66.

Confederate Memorial Service

John Calhoun Evans

Private John C Evans was in Company A, Mississippi 28th Cavalry during the spring of 1862. I found one record where he was listed as an overseer in February 15, 1864. John C Evans, Cherokee County, Texas filed for a Confederate Pension June 5, 1907 and was approved September 10, 1907. He was living in Troup, Texas. He was 65 years old and had resided in Texas since 1868. He listed his physical condition as very bad. He also stated his date of enlistment and discharge from January 1862 till May 19, 1865. He listed his property as one horse, one buggy, and one cow. The letter from the War Department stated that John C Evans enrolled December 1, 1861 and that he was surrendered at Citronelle, Alabama, May 4, 1865, and was paroled May 12, 1865.

A Widow's Application for a Pension was filed September 1, 1914 and approved September 1, 1914 for Mrs. Sallie C Evans. She stated she was the widow of John Calhoun Evans, who departed this life on the 29th day of July, 1914. They were married on the 29th day of June, 1859 in Holmes County, Mississippi. She listed her age as 72.

When John C Evans was born in February 1842 in Mississippi, his father, Jesse, was 39 and his mother, Susan, was 39. He married Sallie C Evans in 1859. They had seven children in 20 years.

In 1850, John C Evans is 8 years old living with his mother, Susan Evans and 4 siblings in Lexington, Holmes County, Mississippi. I found a record that his father, Jesse S Evans, died in Warren County, Mississippi in July 1844. His parents married 24 December 1827 in Warren County, Mississippi.

In 1860, John C was living in Lexington, Holmes County, Mississippi and married to Sarah C Evans, two males in the household but not sure if related. John C and Sarah C Evans ages are 18 and 17.

In 1870, John C Evans was living in Cherokee County, Texas with his wife Sallie C. and 4 children.

In 1880, John C was living in Cherokee County, Texas with his wife Sally and 6 children, one child, age 10, was paralyzed per the census record.

In 1900, John and family living in Cherokee County, Texas with three children. The census stated they were married 41 years and had eleven children with nine living.

In 1910, John and wife Sallie lived in Cherokee County, TX with one son, age 35, and one grandson, age 14. This census stated they had 11 children and 8 living. He died on July 29, 1914, in Griffin, Cherokee, Texas, at the age of 72, and was buried there.

Confederate Memorial Service

Rial Smith

Private Rial Smith was a Confederate soldier in the 28th Regiment, Texas Cavalry (Randal's) 1st Texas Lancers}. He was in Company E and B. He enlisted April 30, 1862 at Marshal, Texas for 3 years or war. His residence at the time was Rusk, Texas. He started out in Company E, and then in May and June 1863, he was listed in Company B, 28th Reg't Texas Cavalry (Dismounted). He was last on the company muster roll dated February 29, 1864.

Mrs. B. A. Smith filed for a Confederate pension Oct 22, 1915 in Cherokee County, TX. It was approved Nov 2, 1915. In the pension Mrs. Smith stated she was 62 years old and resided in the state for 61 years, born in Georgia. She stated that Rial served from January 1862 to close of war in 1865. There were two affidavits of witnesses statements in the pension file, one of the witness was J. P. Cornelison.

There was a list of funeral expenses for Mrs. Smith in the pension file. Her funeral cost \$244.25 when she passed away in Nov 1941.

When Rial Smith was born on November 28, 1844, in Jasper County, Georgia, his father, Wyatt, was 37 and his mother, Rockey, was 30. He had 7 brothers and 2 sisters.

He married Emily Gray on 15 October 1865 in Cherokee County, Texas and they had one son together. He then married Birmah Augusta Chambers on 5 December 1878 in Smith County, Texas and they had eight children together.

In 1850, Rial Smith, age 6, was living in Jasper County, Georgia with parents and 7 siblings. His parents were Wyatt Rosser Smith Sr and Rebecca Annis Gilstrap. Both parents and all children were born in Georgia.

In 1860, Rial was living in Cherokee County, Texas, Rusk post office. He is living with his parents and six siblings. His parents had a large real estate value of \$50,000 and personal estate value was \$18,900.

In 1870, I could not find him in the census records.

In 1880, Rial Smith was living in Cherokee County, Texas with wife, Bermah, and one son.

Confederate Memorial Service

Rial Smith, Continued

In 1900, Rial and wife Bermah were living in Cherokee County, Texas with six children and been married for 23 years. They had a boarder and one servant in the household. Mintie Chambers, sister-in-law, was also living with them.

In 1910, Rial and wife were still living in Cherokee County, Texas with three children. Montie M Lowry, sister-in-law, was living with them. Montie and Bermah were sisters. John C Evans was listed on the same page in the 1910 census as Rial Smith, so they lived close together.

He died on March 17, 1911, in Texas at the age of 66, and was buried in Cherokee County, Texas in the Griffin Cemetery.

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Mae Gean McElroy Pettit (Born 1924)

Born in a two-room tenant farm house in rural East Texas just prior to the Great Depression, local author, genealogist and member of Daughters of the American Revolution, Mae Gean Pettit was a budding author from her early school days. In 1933, Miss McElroy started her writing career in the third grade, when she wrote "Myself Story". Years later she elaborated, "When I read it aloud to the class, some of my classmates laughed because I stated I would like to become a fireman or policeman when I grew up. It's no wonder they laughed, as women in such professions were rarely heard of in those days ... "

The following excerpts are from an article written by Mae Gean about her 'growing up days" which appeared in the Jacksonville Progress in 1986 during the Texas Sesquicentennial Celebration

"My young parents, Willie McElroy and Bessie Stockton, were living in a two-room farm tenant house, when I was born. It was located about three miles northwest of Nixon. The day of my birth December 5, 1924, was very cold. Daddy rode horse-back through rain and sleet about 10 miles to Troup and notified Dr. D.B. Braly, who came to the house and delivered me. I was the first of seven children in our family ... with so many young children during the late 20s, the 1930s and 40s my parents did what they could to make ends meet. .. In my teenage years I shared the household chores with Mama.

When our crops were being planted, hoed or gathered we (children) worked in the fields ... I attended to filling the two or three kerosene--sometimes called coal oil-lamps. The lamps were our only source of light at night. Another chore I had was to bring cook-stove wood from the backyard stacks to the box near the stove...



Mae Gene continued, "." washing clothes was done in a wash pot, filled with hand drawn well water that was 60 feet deep, We heard about Oxydol soap on the radio and used it along with bars of soap my mother, Bessie, made, .. My brother and sisters wore diapers made of flour

Mae Gean McElroy Pettit

sacks. These same sacks made good night gowns for the entire family too. One of my favorite dresses, sailor style, was made of bleached 100-pound sugar sacks. The logo lettering was removed from the flour and feed sacks with a solution of water and lye Care was taken to use only the correct amount of lye, because it could ruin fibers of the material just like Clorox to-day ... Wax paper from cereal and cracker boxes was saved and used to wrap items for our school lunches. There were rarely enough paper sacks for lunches, so pages from the semi-weekly Farm News (our newspaper) was used for this purpose, Twine string raveled from the seams of the feed sacks was used to tie the newspaper wrapped lunches so they wouldn't come undone .. ."

Mae Gean discussed her high school years, "My parents, Bessie and Willie McElroy, had purchased a farm in Smith County, in the Buncumbe community between Troup and Whitehouse. I attended Whitehouse School and on December 7, 1941, of my senior year, the U.S. Military base at Pearl Harbor was fired upon by the Japanese and War was declared. This greatly affected our school year and our lives. Our school banquet was cancelled along with most of our class plans for having fun. However, the senior picnic was permitted and was held at Tyler State Park the final week of school. Whitehouse had 40 graduates that year and I was one of six honor students ... "



Bessie and Willie D. McElroy with their children, Christmas 1973. Bessie is second from right, Willie is next to her in overalls. Their children seated l to R: Roger and Darrell McElroy. Standing L to R: Marie Lanham, Gerald McElroy, Billie Rix, Mae Gean, W.D. ., Bessie, Tucker McElroy. (photo courtesy Mae Gean Pettit)

The title of Mae Gean McElroy's graduation speech was 'Pledge to Humanity'. Her words still resonate today, over 73 years later. A portion of her remarks are included here:

" As time and life moves forward, step by step, we pledge a share in the work which will be necessary for the preservation and well-being of future generations. We pledge our fullest cooperation in our homes, at our jobs, and in our institutions of every kind with which we may be associated...we will do our best to uphold the highest standards of social and moral development. The best we can do everywhere at all times is our pledge..."

From **East Texas Piney Woods Spunky Women 1830s-1950s, Spirited Individuals who made a Difference**, pp 99-100.

Letter from Ellis D. Roach to her mother

Woodlawn July 30th 1855

My Dear Mama,

It has been some time since I have written to you, so I will try and scratch you a few lines this morning while the children are asleep. We are all well at this time. George has just recovered from a sever spell of vilious fever. Johnie had a slight attack. We have had several deaths in this neighborhood lately. The summer and spring has been very hot and dry. I am in hope it will be more healthy now that we have had plenty rain for the last two weeks. We have had very little rain since last fall until lately. I do not see how corn did to grow. Our crop of corn is tolerable considering this drouth. Cotton crops are very good. Our garden is very in-defferent the poorest garden we have had since we have been here. Groceries are very high on account of the low water. We have some very nice flour at this time made in Texas. They make a good deal of wheat west of us. We are going to try a small crop this fall for our own use. We are convenient to the steam mill. We have been giving \$20 per barrel for flour and that was lead color. The last we got was \$16 very nice.

Texas is a rough country to live in. We have plenty coarse diet but I can tell you dainties are a rairity. Mrs Hernden says she had to eat so much corn bread that it scratches her throat. She likes Texas as bad as I do. Mr. Roach very often says that Texas will be his home for life. Says he will carry me to Virginia on a visit. I tell him it will be a lengthy one. For if I ever put my foot on Va soil the balance of my days will be spent there. It is the dearest spot on earth to me. I was the greatest blockhead there ever was to leave my home. Keeling sends her best love to you and says she will write to you soon. Brother John is still to work on the steam mill. It will be ready to go to work in a week or two.

We had a protracted meeting at our church two weeks ago. It lasted a week. There was six added to our little church. Three by expression and three by letter. Baptest will get a little hold after a while. We went last Sunday to hear the Methodist. They preach in this neighborhood most every Sunday. William Henry's family was well the last time I heard from them and Bet also. We expect them over every day now. Bet is called grandma. She is well fixed at home with her house full of children, the youngest nine years old.

Letter from Ellis D. Roach to her mother

Tell Sally and Betty that Mr. Roach has got to be smart enough to marry folks since he has gotten here. It is Squire Roach and Squire Farish. William Henery has married several couples. Mr. Roach has married one couple. I think if I couldn't get a preacher, I would not be married at all. The Squires marry as many as the preachers do in Texas. I have received a letter every mail for the last three weeks, but have not been able to answer any of them on account of George's sickness. I was very sorry to hear Mr. Ryland was so unfortunate as to break his leg. Poor George has had a great deal of affliction on his family since we left. Sarra wrote me not long since. She gave me a description of her step-mother. Betty wanted to know how old the baby is. His is six months old and as frisky as he can be. He will walk by the time he is nine mo. old if he enjoys good health. He does not pretend to crawl, but rolls all over the floor. We call him Robert Hazelwood. I have three boys and they have all of my brother's names.

I hope I have my number now because I have as many babies as I know what to do with. Aggys baby is going on five months old. She calls her Patsy after her mother. Fanny has a white boy. Aggy's child is the right color. Elisa Ann will increase about the first of next year. Babies are no rarity here. I must close this badly written letter as I have nothing more to write at the present.

Tell the children to write to me often and not to wait for answers to every one. I have very little time to write. Tell them to write to Brother John. He is older than they are. The family join with me in love to you all. Farewell my dear mama. May you enjoy heaven's choist blessings is the sincere wish of your fond devoted daughter.

Ellis D. Roach

P.S. Remember me to all the servants. Send Keeling a collar in your next letter.

Jacksonville Quilt

I have in my possession a beautiful hand-made quilt that was probably given to Eula Odom, my late husband's aunt who suffered from rheumatoid arthritis. It is one of those quilts that has the name of a quilter on each square.

After diligent research I have decided that this must have been a neighborhood quilting group as most of the names I was able to locate seemed to live on Kickapoo Street, near the J H Odom family.

On the binding of the quilt on one side is the name Eula and on the other side the single name Amanda. It must have been made in the 30's as Anna Gillespie died in 1939.

As for the quilters, this is what I have found so far:

Thelma Bollinger

Ora Ford

Lollieta Sanders

These three were sisters, daughters of Amanda Gray
who lived near the Odoms

Annie Cariker

Mollie Smith

Widowed sisters who lived together on Kickapoo St.
1940

Oma Quick

Fannie Clark

Bess Clark

Anna Gillespie

Bertha Gillespie Holland (daughter of Anna Gillespie)

All these lived on Kickapoo Street in 1940

Fannie McCracken

Lived on Kickapoo Street 1930

Dorothy Faust

Dora Whitehead

According to the census both lived on Hwy 69

Frances Gothard

Lived on Canada Street 1940

Jacksonville Quilt



Bernice Bennett
Lizzie Hammond
Evelyn Smith

No more information on these

Granny Clark
Willa N Campbell

Maybe kin to the other 2 Clarks?

I would love for a descendant of one of these quilters to have this quilt. Any information about any of them would be appreciated.

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