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#### Lee-Bourland Camp 1848 Newsletter

Commander's Note October was a good month for our Camp. We started off with a grave dedication in Jacksboro, TX being postponed until the spring of 2014. So that is still on our to do list.

Depot Days turned out to be a recruiting booth / meet the public day. Which we got three prospects to show for our time. The weapons & medical history displays could not attend that day as expected. But the weather was great, the public came out for us to talk to and the SCV's presents was known once again in Gainesville, TX.

And I'm pleased to announce that we swore in a new member to the Lee-Bourland Camp, James Peek. More about him further on in the newsletter.



## **Events Coming Soon**

- Oct 28-Nov 4 Battle for
- Ft. Richardson
- $\bullet$  Jacksboro, TX
- Dec 1 at 4 P.M.
- VV Christmas Parade
- Valley View, TX
- Dec 14 at 6 P.M.
- 4th Brigade Christmas Party
- McKinney, TX
- Dec 19 at 7 P.M.
- Lee-Bourland Camp's Short
- Meeting & Christmas Party

### Lee-Bourland Camp's Newest Member

I'd like to introduce to you our new member to the Lee-Bourland Camp. His name is James Robert Peek. He was initiated into the bonds by Camp Commander Charlie Waters and affirmed his allegiance with 4th Brigade Commander Joe White. He was presented with membership certificate and card. There was a snaffoo with his membership pin which will be corrected next month. I love it when a plan comes together. James' membership ancestor is Pvt. James W. Peek Co F 8th Dibrell's Cav. TN, and has been added to the Camp's Members and Their Confederate Ancestor's List.

Ancest

James Peek

Cmdr Charlie Waters

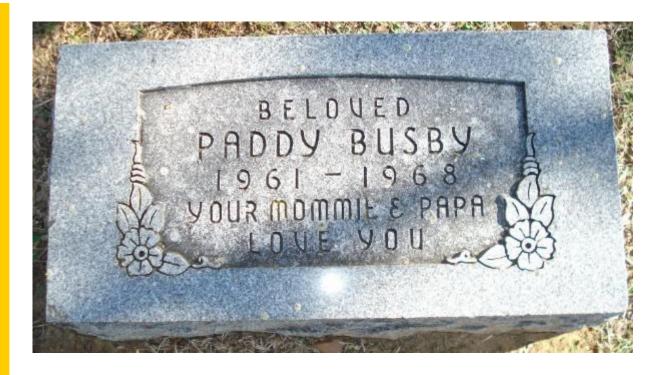


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Lt. Cmdr. Lloyd Epperson

Gave the members present a good historical account of Confederate Capt. Bob Lee and Union sympathizer Lewis Peacock's feud .



## PADDY BUSBY

Story complied by, Norman L. Newton

Recently a walking tour was done of Fairview Cemetery in Gainesville, Texas, put on by North CentralTexas College professor, Ron Melugin. The focus was on people buried who had unusual deaths and heard many interesting stories which he has included in a book he recently published, *"Heroes, Scoundrels and Angels-Fairview Cemetery of Gainesville, Texas."* 

At one particular location this writer had noticed a family marker with the name of BUSBY. This immediately brought to my mind a story that I had read in the Gainesville Daily Register more than 40 years prior. Imagine to my surprise when I saw a marker with the exact name of my recollection, Paddy Busby. I shared with the group of 25-30 people what I recalled about this particular grave.

Since that time a visit to the Cooke County Public Library reviewing microfilm of the Gainesville Daily Register during 1968 would prove successful. I desired this record so that I could give a more accurate account which I have done my best to duplicate here.

#### **Fitting Memorial**

. to 7-year-old love one

ENIGMA AT FAIRVIEW

#### Police Stand by While Mystery Grave Opened

By RICHARD HARP Register Staff Writer

The ring of metal against metal disturbed the quietness of Fairview Cemetery. Once again a shovel was

pushed into the fresh dirt of a small grave and struck something solid. More dirt was removed and a

footlocker exposed to the view of Gainesville Policemen and cemetery workers.

They were filled with apprehension as the steel locker was gently raised from the shallow grave and

preparations made to open it. Each man present steeled himself for this dreadful moment.

The new grave was not without identification. A beautifully carved granite marker stood as a silent sentry over the tiny plot.

It read: "Paddy Busby."

Its second line declared: "Mommie and Daddy Loved You."

Why desecrate such a tender and beloved place?

Cemetery workers were first puzzled and later worried when they discovered the new grave Monday

morning. They had no knowledge of a burial in the plot. They became mystified when the sexton's records

disclosed no information that could explain the grave and marker.

#### Foul Play?

Gainesville Police were notified and the fear of possible foul play entered into the grim puzzle.

The ownership of the lot was determined, with the owners residing in San Antonio. Local relatives were of

no help in unraveling the enigma.

It was determined that two provision of the Cemetery Ordinance had been violated.

- 1. A death certificate had not been presented to the sexton.
- 2. Cemetery personnel had not supervised digging the grave.

Armed with this knowledge, police and cemetery workers proceeded to open the grave. Regardless of the outcome, its contents had to be known.

Back at Fairview, the moment of truth was at hand. Tension mounted as the footlocker's clasps were released and the lid slowly raised.

#### Small Body

All eyes focused on the small body. It was embalmed and carefully nestled between two soft blankets. It was clothed in a sweater and booties.

As one, the shocked men turned their eyes back to the granite marker and stared at the inscription: "Paddy Busby."

Paddy Busby was a small brown Dachshund......sleeping peacefully in dog heaven.

Unsolved is the time and date of interment. Cemetery officials believe Thanksgiving Day or some recent evening after 5 p.m.

Paddy was returned to his resting place, but not for long. His owners have been notified – gently, but firmly – to re-enter him elsewhere – and soon.

Fairview Cemetery is reserved for mortal remains, not animals – even loved ones – city officials point out.

#### END

The grave marker of Paddy Busby actually says "YOUR MOMMIE & PAPA LOVE YOU" and not as stated in the newspaper article.

Today the family circle is complete for Paddy since both MOMMIE & PAPA are now with him. PAPA, who is Rufus Hardy Busby Jr. died on 12/15/1983 and MOMMIE, who is Clifftina Busby died on 5/5/2004. They both have grave markers. Very appropriate that on the grave marker of Clifftina is written this inscription, "AT REST WITH THOSE SHE LOVED."

A person can Google the name Paddy Busby and will find that he is listed on the website, "Find A Grave". There is no indication he is an animal.

A story has been written in *The Weekly News of Cooke County* newspaper (page 2) about this cemetery walk with a short mention of several stories that were told that day. I have it linked here. *The Weekly News of Cooke County, November 7, 2012* 

. Paddy Busby might not be a mortal but it is apparent he was indeed BELOVED by his MOMMIE & PAPA..

I hope you enjoyed this story. Norman L. Newton



This guy liked the story. That is probably why OZZY the editor put it in, for yall's full enjoyment.

You just never know what you will find going through cemeteries looking for Confederate soldiers. Members and Their Confederate Ancestor

Ansley, Reynolds: Pvt. David Andrew Johnson Co K, 39th Inf. AL

Armstrong, Chad & Charles: Col. James G. Bourland TX Border Rgt. Cav. Red River of TX

Cassidy, Bill: (Father side) Hugh Cassidy (GGF) 26<sup>th</sup> Inf. SC

(Mother side) Jerimiah Hurst (GGGF) 8th Cav. GA

Epperson, Lloyd: Pvt. Leander Molinton Epperson Co D, 2<sup>nd</sup> Mounted Rifles AK

Herman, James: Sgt. William M. Herrmann Co G, 6<sup>th</sup> Inf. AL

Newton, Norman: Pvt. Charles Samuel Newton, James P. Douglas' Battalion

Tyler SCV Camp's namesake is James P. Douglas who is

from Tyler, TX

Peek, James Robert: Pvt. James W. Peak Co F 8<sup>th</sup> Dibrell's Cav. TN

Reed, David: Pvt. Rueben Blankenship Co D 18<sup>th</sup> Inf. AL

Reed, Hunter: Pvt. Michael Lorance 2<sup>nd</sup> Co Cav. TN

Riley, Bill: Pvt. William Chisum Co A, 38<sup>th</sup> Inf. TN consolidated to 22<sup>nd</sup> Batt.

Roundtree, Bob: Pvt. Jesse Ballard Roundtree Co E, Morgan's Rgt. Cav. TX Scott, Timothy: 2<sup>nd</sup> Lt. Joseph B. Scott Co E, 10<sup>th</sup> Cav. MO

Tisdale, William D.: Sgt. Augustus William Atwood Co G, 8<sup>th</sup> Inf. MS

Waters, Charles: (Father side) Pvt. James Manning Waters Co G, 47<sup>th</sup> Inf. GA

(Mother side) 5<sup>th</sup> Sgt. George Mosley Aston Co C, 9<sup>th</sup> Inf.

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Wells, Matthew: Pvt. George A. Buchanan Co F, 19<sup>th</sup> Cav. TX White, Joe: Capt. Mack Wilson Loyd 5<sup>th</sup> Cav. AL





# Depot Days October 12, 2013



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