

## Remember Them Forever

Name: William Thomas Cooksey  
Birth: 9/28/1887  
Birthplace: Jacinto, Mississippi  
Death: 10/06/1947  
Dallas, Dallas County, Texas  
Cemetery: Flower Mound Presbyterian Cemetery  
Cemetery Location: 1501 Flower Mound Road,  
Flower Mound, 75028  
Denton County, Texas, USA  
Section: Center  
Plot GPS: 33.01333, -97.05250

Family: William was born to Mary Catherine (Weaver) Cooksey and John D. Cooksey in Mississippi. His Father was born in Alabama.  
In 1900 when Willie was 12, he and his mother lived in Barlett, Bell Co., Texas. In 1910, when he was 22, Willie worked as a laborer in Denton, TX.  
He married Mary Cureton Cooksey. They had five children: Robert Bennett Cooksey, Sarah Viola Meek (born 4/12/1930), James Leroy Cooksey 7/31/1935 - 7/29/2003), William Howard Cooksey (11/08/1931 - 04/03/1971) , and Mary Lou Kirby.  
William passed away on October 6, 1947, at the Veteran's Administrative Hospital in Dallas, TX. He was 60 years of age.

Military: WWI Enlistment Date: 05/28/1918; Honorable Discharge Date: April 30, 1919, as a Pvt. Service #: 1 421 063; Infantry, Company L 135 to November 13, 1918; Company L 331 to January 5, 1919; HQ Company 158 infantry to discharge April 30, 1919.  
William served overseas from October 13, 1918, to April 17, 1919.

Civilian: In 1930 William and his wife Mary lived in Dallas with two of their children (Robert and Alma). At that time, he was working as a laborer in the farming industry. When Willie enlisted, he worked in the farming industry in Grapevine, TX. At the time of his death, he was working as a plumber.

Sources: Find-a-Grave, Ancestry, National Archives at Washington D.C., 1900 United States Federal Census., FamilySearch

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