Remember Them Forever

Name: Henry Franklin Wakefield

Birth: 24 June 1845

Tennessee

Death: 12 February 1932

Mineral Wells, Palo Pinto Co, TX

Cemetery: Flower Mound Presbyterian Cemetery

Cemetery Location: 1501 Flower Mound Road,

Flower Mound, 75028

Denton County, Texas, USA

Section: Center, Find a Grave Memorial 46803095; gray upright marker

Plot GPS: 33.01306, -97.05036

Family: Simpson Burke Wakefield – father

Jane Pinkley Wakefield - mother

Spouses – Nancy J Donald Wakefield, Allie E. Cowan Wakefield, Bertha Wallis White Wakefield

Children - Nannie Donald Wakefield Owen, Lillian Crawford, Charles Franklin Wakefield,

Clara Allie Wakefield Robinson, Jane Elizabeth Wakefield Tarpning, Raymond Simpson "Ray" Wakefield,

Bert Cowan Wakefield, Earl Payne Wakefield, Sr.

H.F.'s grandfather, Henry Wakefield, Jr. and grandmother, Martha Patsey Brockett Wakefield were some of the early settlers of the surrounding Chinn's Chapel community of Copper Canyon. Located on land purchased by H.F. Wakefield's father, Simpson, the Denton County town of Waketon was named after the family.

Military: Civil War, 18th TX Cavalry PVT, CSA, (Darnell's Regt)

Enlisted 08-1862 in Denton County

Pension 49154

Civilian: In 1881, H.F. Wakefield purchased land west of the town of Ponder and became the first to raise

corn, oats, cotton, and wheat. From 1890 to 1920 the county ranked either first or second in wheat production among the counties of the state. H.F. Wakefield was the area's largest landowner, owning over 17,000 acres, including much of the townsite. He donated land for the

school in the town of Ponder in 1897.

Sources: Find a Grave, Ancestry.com, History of Ponder, Texas-PonderTexas.com, Texas Bureau of Vital Statistics – DC, Denton County.Gov

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