

Texas Veterans Hall of Fame: Remember Them Forever (RTF) Project

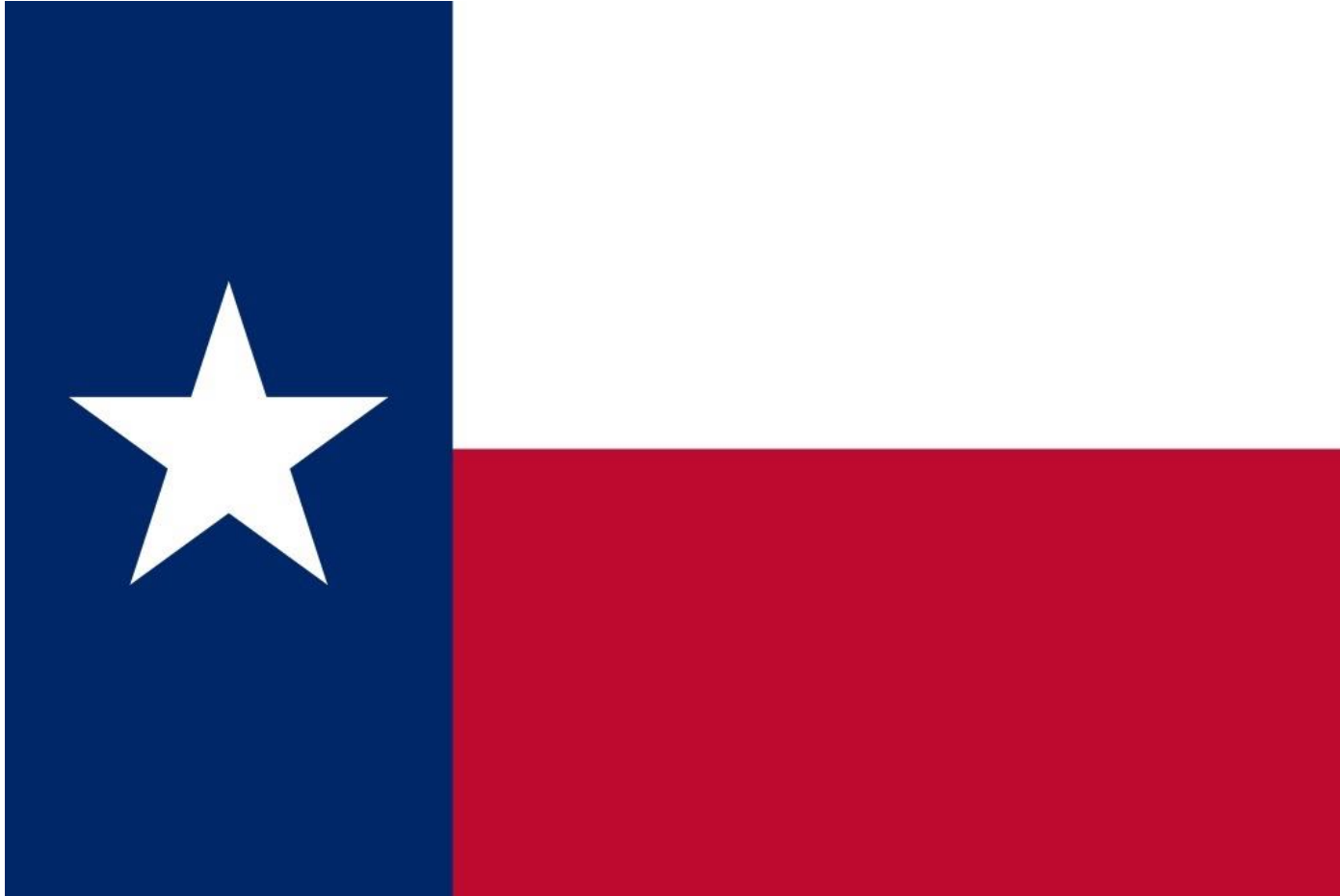


Narrated by Diana Mason, PhD, ACSF
Hosted by the Texas Veterans Hall of Fame



Official State Flag

(1933 to present)



Texas Flag Trivia

- Moniker/Nickname: The Lone Star State
- Star summons unity in the fight for independence against Mexico.
- Colors, inspired by the United States flag:
 - "Old Glory Blue" for loyalty,
 - "Old Glory Red" for bravery and
 - white for purity.
- Flag code also states:
 - Single (lone) **star** "represents ALL of **Texas** and stands for our unity as one for God, State, and Country."



Texas Veterans Hall of Fame (TVHOF)



Who is the Texas Veterans Hall of Fame (TVHOF)?

- TVHOF is a 501(c)3 organization dedicated to preserving and honoring the stories of all Texas Veterans. You can visit their website at www.tvhof.org.



TVHOF Mission Statement

- To honor all Texas Veterans for their service, sacrifices and accomplishments.
- To preserve the history and stories of our Texas Veterans.
- To educate the public on those stories



Remember Them Forever

- **Remember Them Forever (RTF)** – our signature and marker program to honor our veterans.
- For those who are deceased a 6” marker is placed on the grave. This marker has a QR Code on it and when scanned it takes the visitor to the profile about that Veteran.
 - We know of no one else having such a program. It also provides an opportunity for individual and/or civic nonprofits organizations to host and record the biographical information on the veterans lives and contributions.
- We currently have 21 cemeteries. Most of the veteran-identified gravesites are entered into the TVHOF database providing the beginnings of over 3,500 profiles (See: <http://txveterans.org>)
- Patriot Medallions: over 700 can be found in just two City of Denton cemeteries ([Oakwood](#) and [IOOF](#)).
- Roselawn Cemetery in Seagoville contributes over 1100 veterans to the TVHOF database but needs someone/some organization willing to adopt! Interested?



Team Partners

- **RFT #1:** Colonial Dames XVII Century Star of Destiny Chapter.
- Do you want to join the RTF Team?
 - Go to: <https://txveterans.org/remember-them-forever/>

RTF Project

- Do you need suggestions for a service project?
- Do you need community service hours?
- Do you have a cemetery in mind?
 - If so, think about joining the RTF Team!



Patriot Medallions (Examples)



Above ground marker with QR code. Flags can be placed in slot at the top of the marker.



Markers may be purchased at the Museum's store!

If you adopt a cemetery, a marker with a flag is \$10 x *n*!



Patriot Medallions

- A hard-core plastic marker for each of the different wars or conflicts.
- A 6"×6" marker with a rod that allows the marker to be placed near the grave headstones and a place on top to house the American Flag or service flag of that Veteran.
- On the back of the medallion there is a QR code that is pointed to the profile of that veteran that is buried in that grave.
 - While visiting that grave, visitors can scan the QR code and read about that veteran while visiting that grave.



Adopt a Cemetery

- Decide that you are willing and able to place Patriot Medallions with flags and assure that the flags are well cared for and flown for at least three days on either side of Memorial Day, July 4th and Veterans Day.
- Obtain permission from the appropriate cemetery organization/personnel to place the Markers with flags.
- Cover the initial cost of the RTF project.
- Place the Markers so as to avoid mowers as best as possible; be willing to replace markers that are damaged or missing.
- Also purchase QR codes for the back of the medallions that link to the TVHOF database and the biographical information for that veteran. (About \$0.50 each.)
- If allowed, purchase RTF panel(s) for the cemetery that are displayed at the cemetery providing the GPS location of each veteran buried at that cemetery. (About \$100 per panel; large cemeteries may require more than one!)



Panel Displays

- The panel display is a large metal sign that provides information about the RTF program and how the QR code works.
- Several of these signs can be placed in strategic places throughout the cemetery.
- Recognition of the RTF Host will be highlighted on the display marker as well.
- For examples, visit Oakwood Cemetery located in the City of Denton.



Dallas County



Dallas, Texas



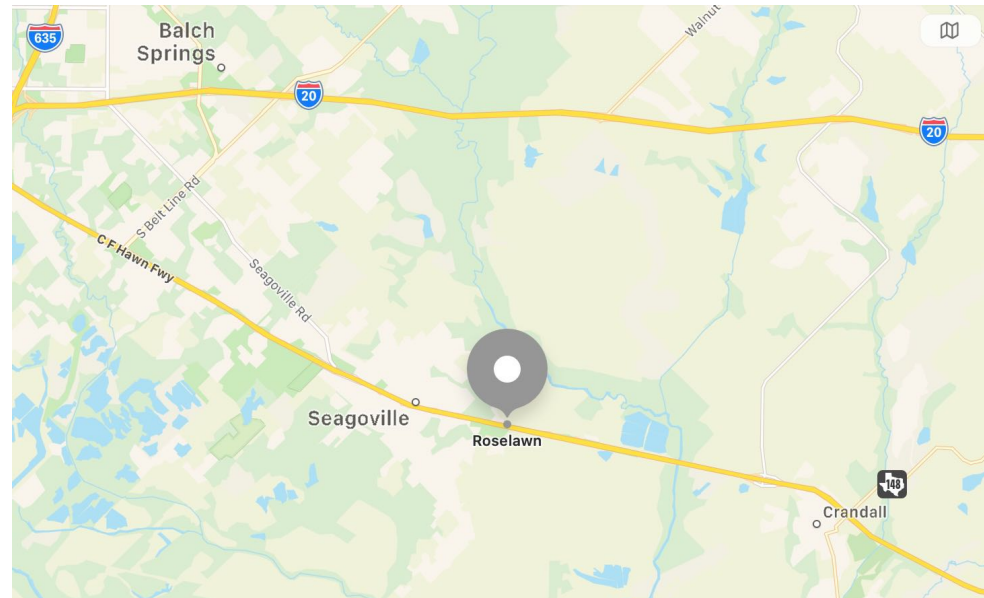
Dallas County

Roselawn Cemetery, Seagoville



Roselawn Memorial Gardens

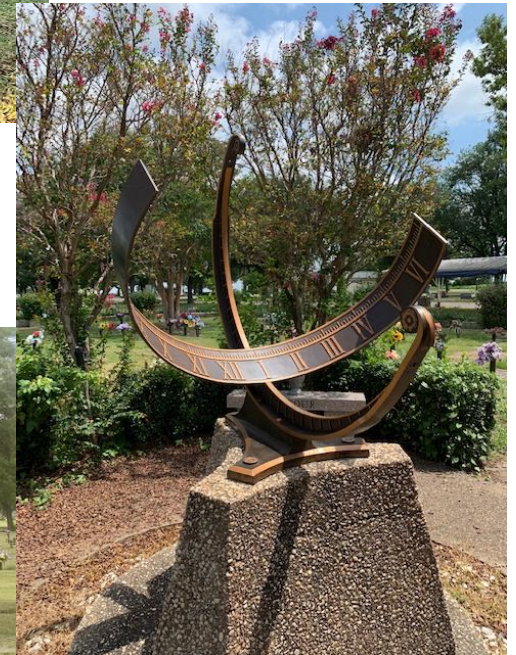
- **1100** veterans identified of 5536 occupants
 - 21% veterans
- Conflicts: **1133**
 - Texas Revolution:
 - Mexican-American:
 - Civil War:
 - Indian Wars:
 - Spanish-American:
 - WW I: **23**
 - WW II: **596**
 - Korea: **201**
 - Vietnam: **153**
 - War on Terror: **1**
 - Peace time or Unknown: **159**
 - Note: Total exceeds number of identified veterans because some served during more than one conflict.
- Address
 - 1000 S US 175 Frontage Rd.
 - Seagoville, Texas 75159



Adoption cost: \$11,330 +
\$550.00 for QR codes =
\$11,880 + panels



Summer 2021



Dallas County

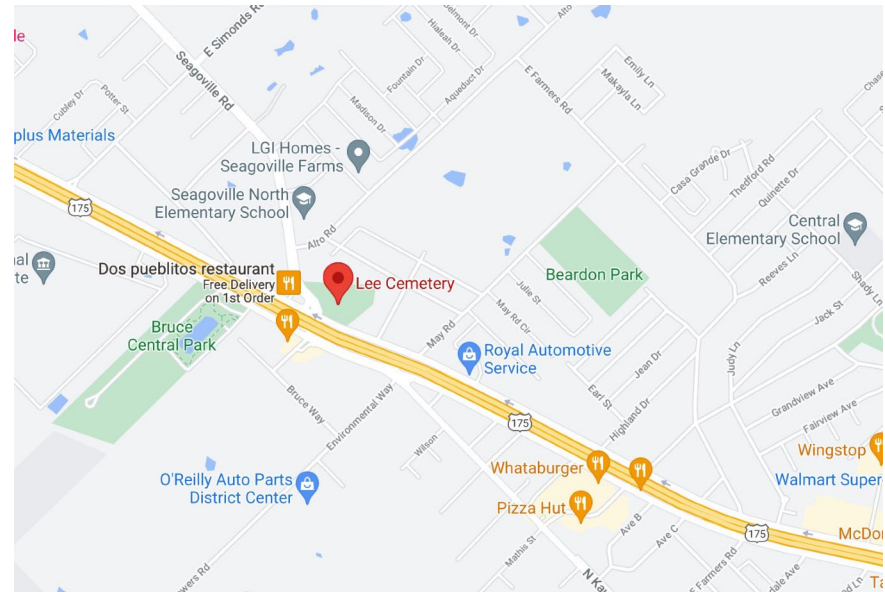
Lee Cemetery, Seagoville



Lee Cemetery

- **101** veterans identified of 1549 occupants
 - 6% veterans
- Conflicts: **103**
 - Texas Revolution:
 - Mexican-American:
 - Civil War: **2**
 - Indian Wars:
 - Spanish-American:
 - WW I: **19**
 - WW II: **52**
 - Korea: **9**
 - Vietnam: **6**
 - War on Terror:
 - Peace time or Unknown: **15**
 - Note: Total exceeds number of identified veterans because some served during more than one conflict.

- Address
 - 1706 Seagoville Rd
 - Seagoville, Texas 75159

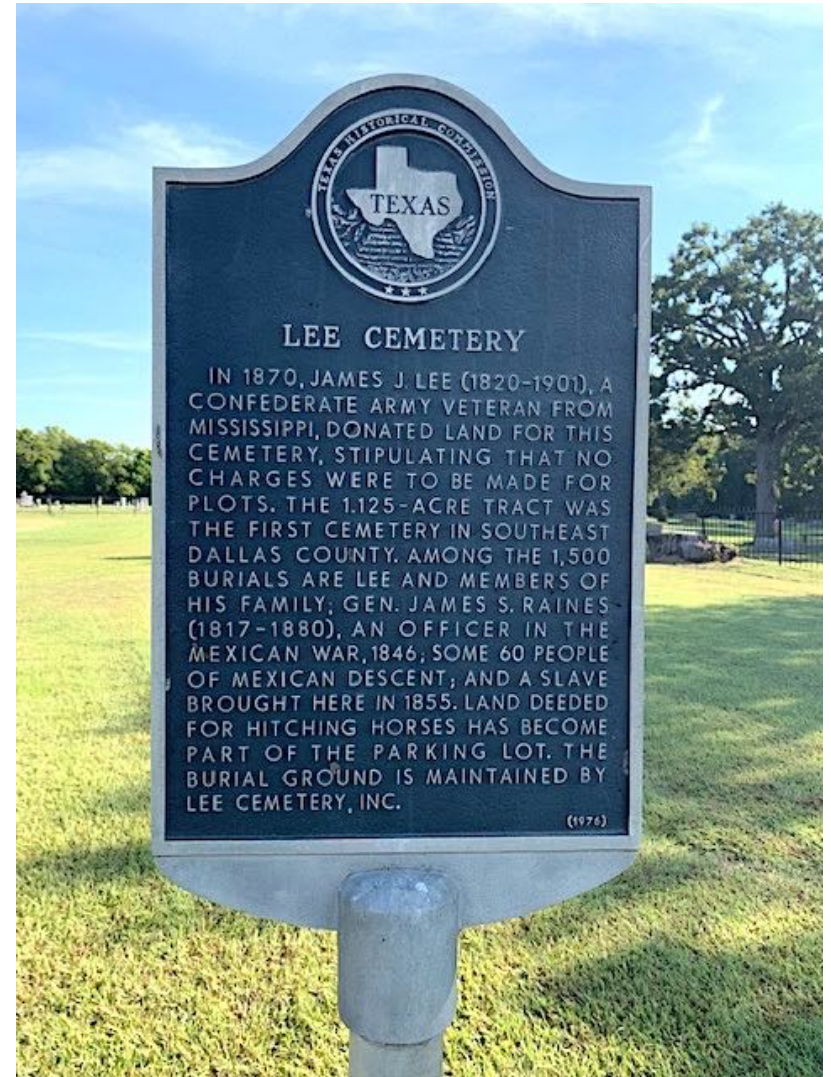


Adoption cost: \$1010 +
\$50.50 for QR codes =
\$1060.50 + panels





Summer 2021



Denton County



Denton, Texas



Denton County

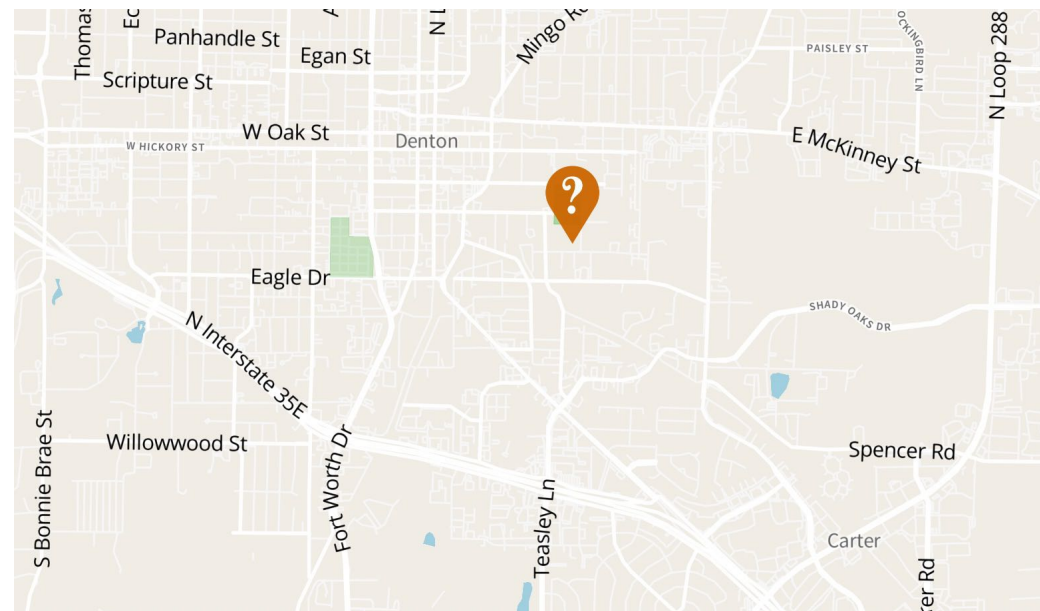
Oakwood Cemetery, Denton



Oakwood Cemetery (RTF #1)

- **287** veterans identified of 4822 occupants
 - 6% veterans
- Conflicts: **291**
 - Texas Revolution:
 - Mexican-American: **2**
 - Civil War: **11**
 - Indian Wars:
 - Spanish-American: **2**
 - WW I: **59**
 - WW II: **156**
 - Korea: **21**
 - Vietnam: **25**
 - War on Terror:
 - Peace time or Unknown: **15**
 - Note: Total exceeds number of identified veterans because some served during more than one conflict.

- Address
 - 747 East Prairie Street
 - Denton, Texas 76205



Adopted: Star of Destiny
Chapter Colonial Dames XVII
Century!



Fall 2020



Denton County

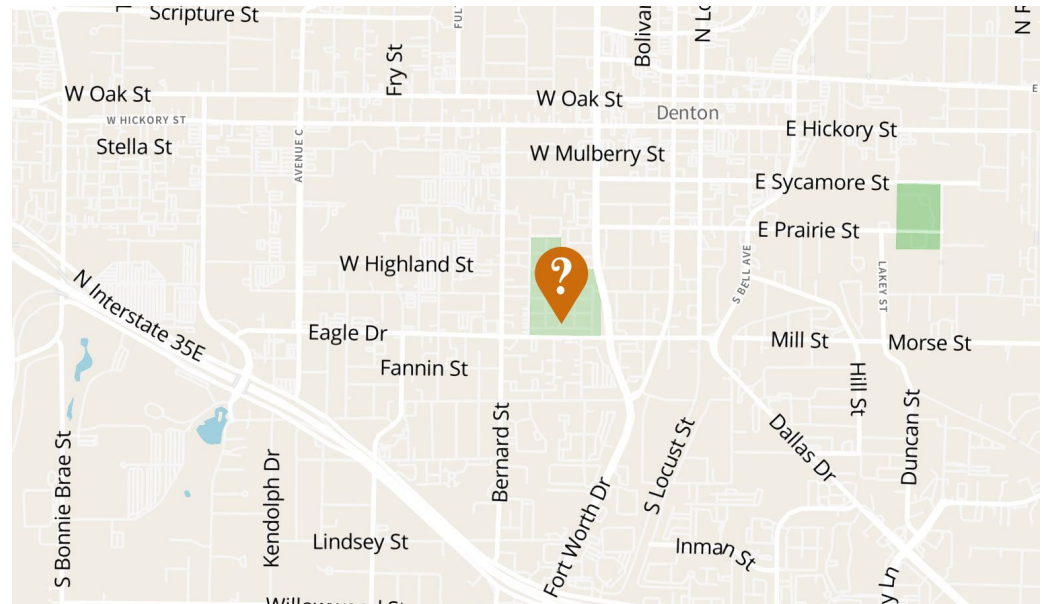
Independent Order of Odd Fellows
(IOOF), Denton



IOOF Cemetery

- **426** veterans identified of 7260 occupants
 - 6% veterans
- Conflicts: **443**
 - Texas Revolution: **1**
 - Mexican-American: **1**
 - Civil War: **111**
 - Indian Wars:
 - Spanish-American: **8**
 - WW I: **126**
 - WW II: **167**
 - Korea: **14**
 - Vietnam: **12**
 - War on Terror:
 - Peace time or Unknown: **3**
 - Note: Total exceeds number of identified veterans because some served during more than one conflict.

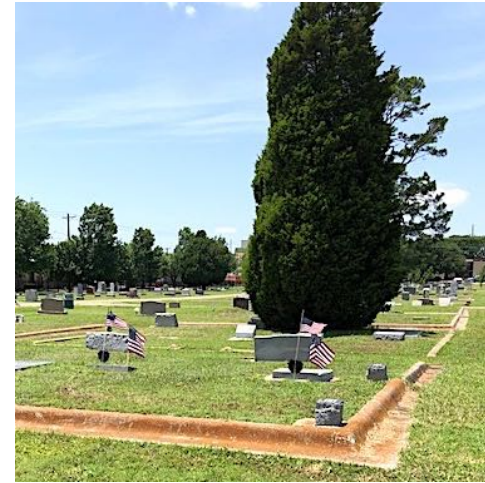
- Address
 - 711 S Carroll Blvd
 - Denton, Texas 76201



Adopted!
Support for panels still needed!



Spring 2020



Benjamin Lyon Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution help place flags for Memorial Day 2020.



Denton County

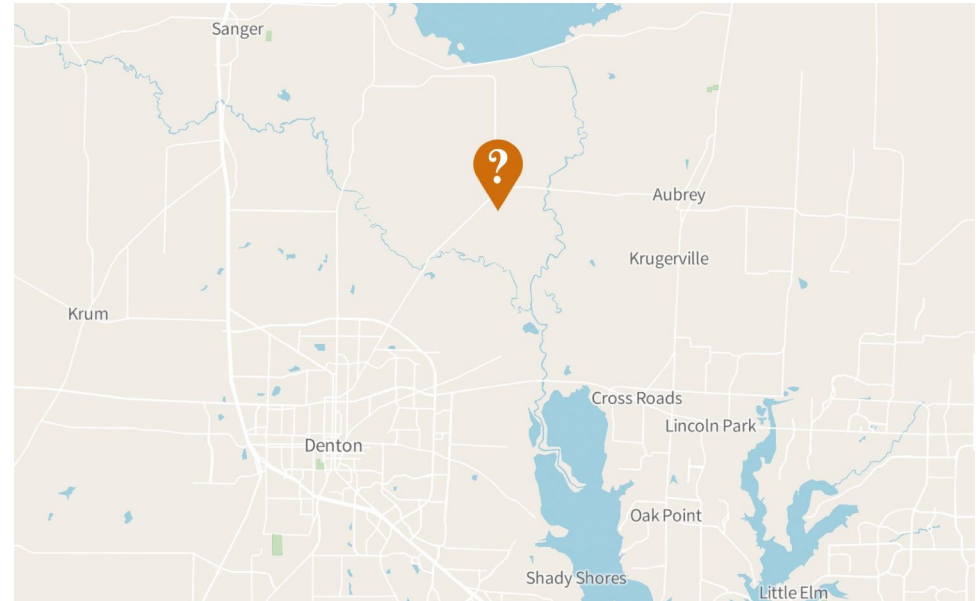
Green Valley Cemetery, Aubrey



Green Valley Cemetery

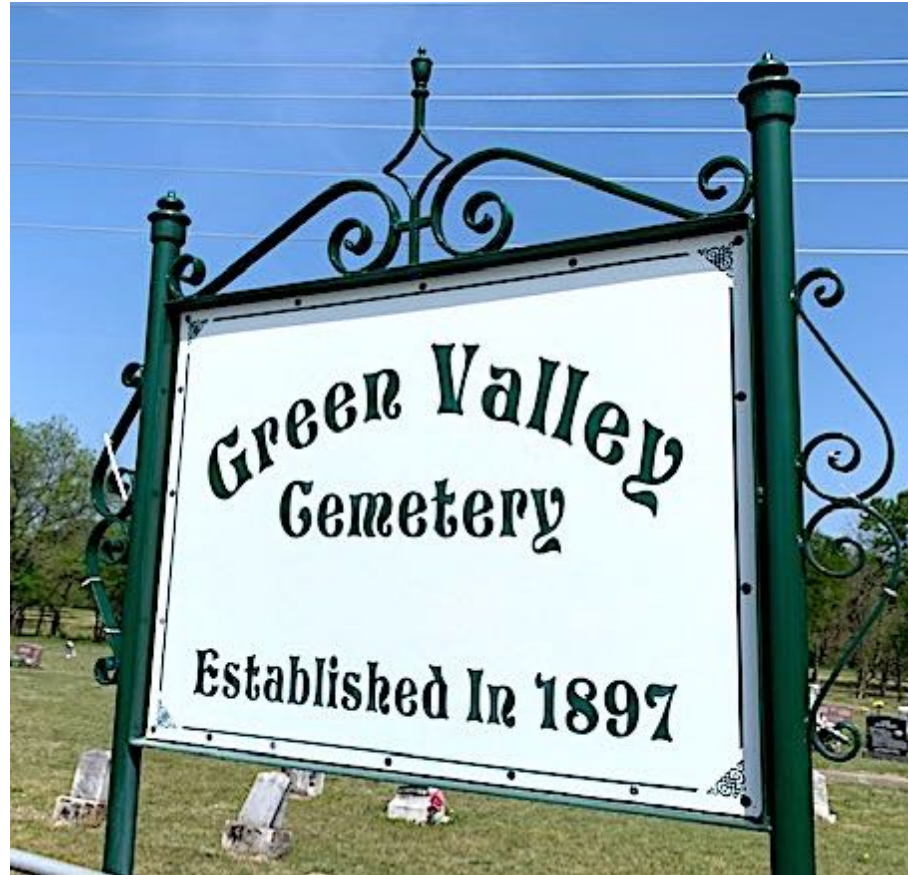
- **22** veterans identified of 313 occupants
 - 7% veterans
- Conflicts: **23**
 - Texas Revolution:
 - Mexican-American:
 - Civil War: **2**
 - Indian Wars:
 - Spanish-American:
 - WW I: **2**
 - WW II: **8**
 - Korea: **5**
 - Vietnam: **4**
 - War on Terror:
 - Peace time or Unknown: **2**
 - Note: Total exceeds number of identified veterans because some served during more than one conflict.

- Address
 - 6670 FM2153
 - Aubrey, Texas 76227



**Adoption cost: \$230 +
\$11.00 for QR Codes =
\$241 + panel**





Denton County

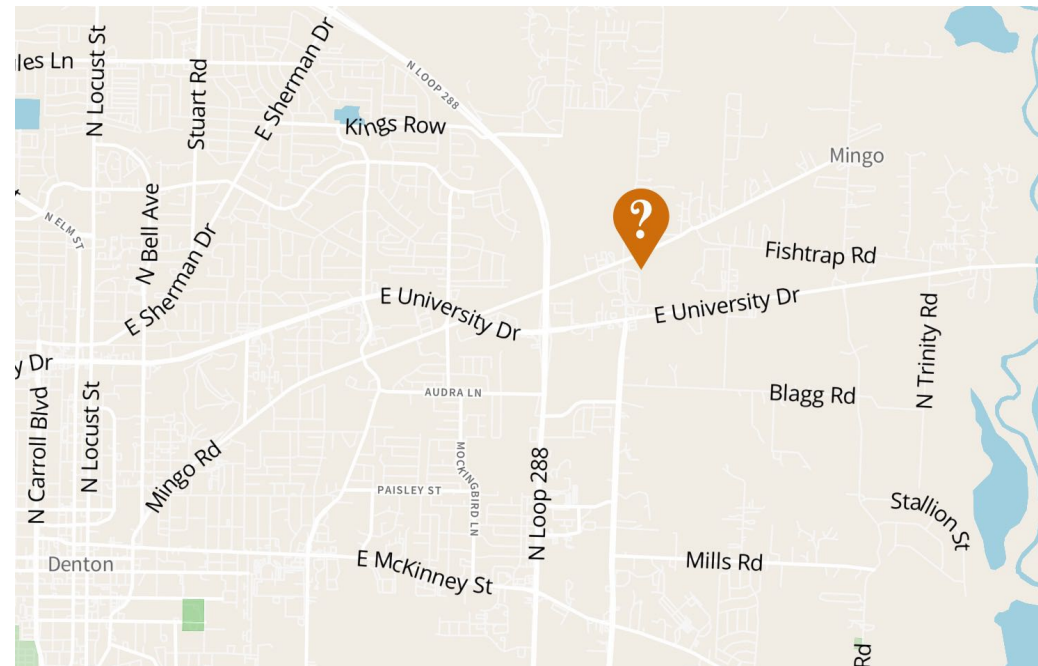
Cooper Creek Cemetery



Cooper Creek Cemetery

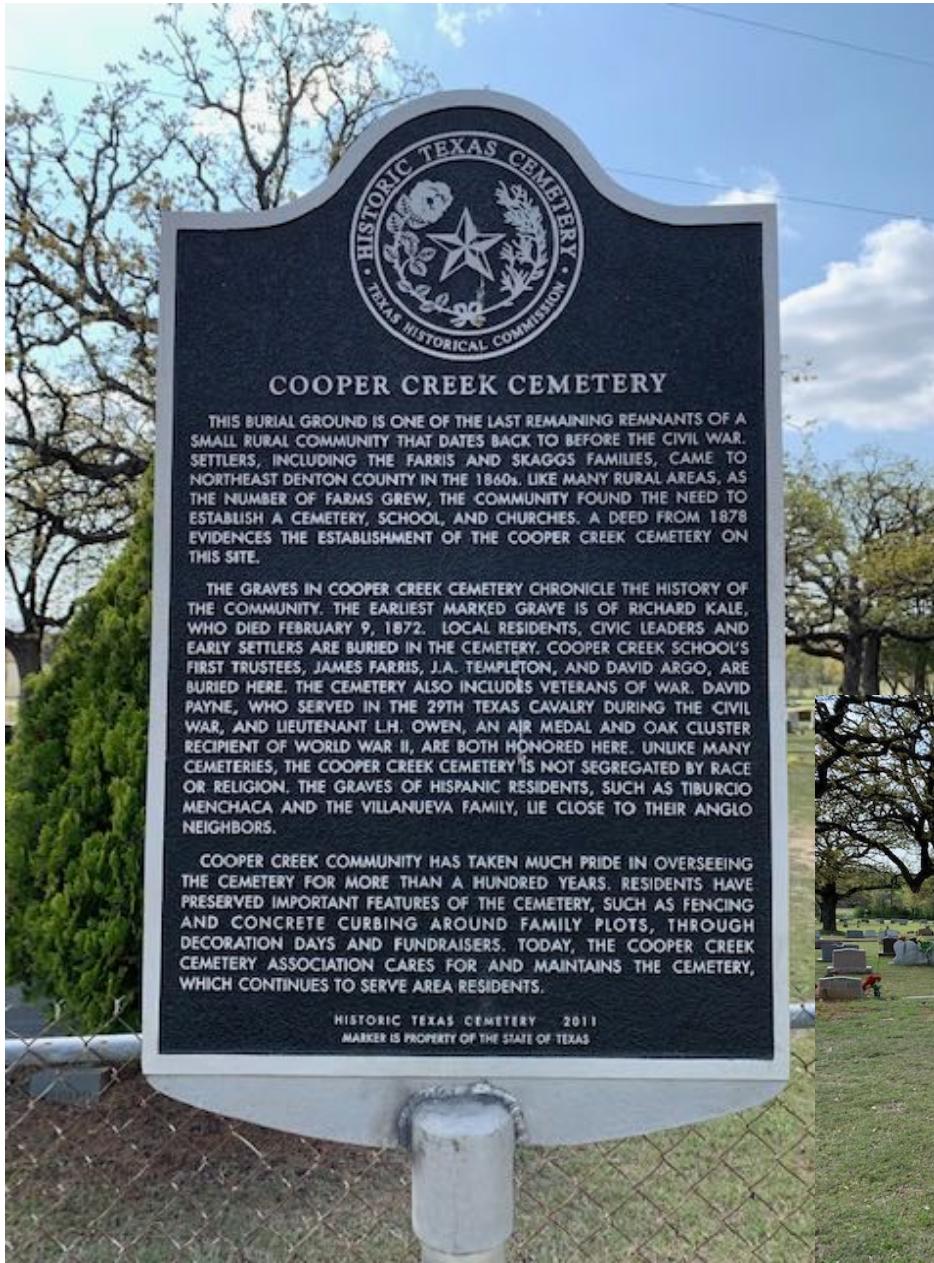
- **75** veterans identified of 1003 occupants
 - 7% veterans
- Conflict: **78**
 - Texas Revolution:
 - Mexican-American:
 - Civil War: **4**
 - Indian Wars:
 - Spanish-American:
 - WW I: **8**
 - WW II: **40**
 - Korea: **10**
 - Vietnam: **12**
 - War on Terror:
 - Peace time or Unknown: **4**
 - Note: Total exceeds number of identified veterans because some served during more than one conflict.

- Address
 - 4582 Fishtrap Rd.
 - Denton, Texas 76208



**Adoption cost: \$780 +
\$37.50 for QR codes =
\$817.50 + panels**





Denton County

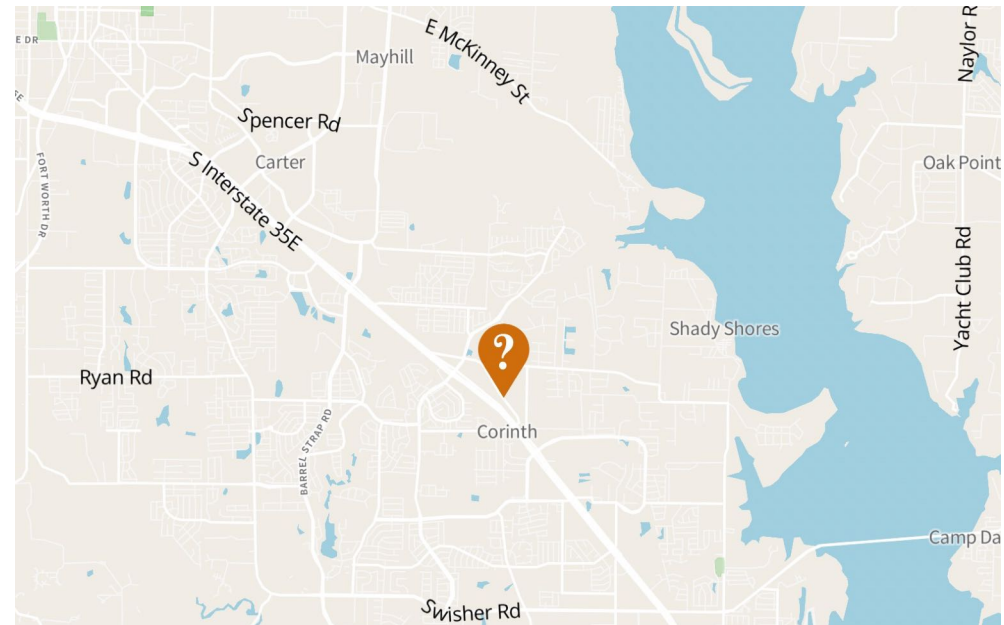
Shiloh Cemetery, Corinth



Shiloh Cemetery

- **71** veterans identified of 579 occupants
 - 12% veterans
- Conflicts: **77**
 - Texas Revolution:
 - Mexican-American:
 - Civil War: **2**
 - Indian Wars:
 - Spanish-American:
 - WW I: **9**
 - WW II: **43**
 - Korea: **7**
 - Vietnam: **13**
 - War on Terror:
 - Peace time or Unknown: **3**
 - Note: Total exceeds number of identified veterans because some served during more than one conflict.

- Address
 - North side of Shady Shores Rd.
 - Corinth, Texas



**Adoption cost: \$770 +
\$35.50 for QR codes =
\$805.50 + panels**





CORINTH SHILOH CEMETERY

PHYSICIAN AND LAY PREACHER THOMAS A. BALL AND HIS WIFE, NANCY (YEATS), CAME TO DENTON COUNTY FROM MISSOURI SOON AFTER THE CIVIL WAR ENDED IN 1865. THEY SETTLED WITH THEIR FAMILY ON LAND THAT WOULD BECOME THE COMMUNITY OF CORINTH.

THE BALL FAMILY DONATED LAND ALREADY IN USE AS A GRAVEYARD TO THE PRIMITIVE BAPTIST CHURCH AT SHILOH. THE FIRST MARKED GRAVE IS THAT OF WILLIAM GARRISON (d. 1870). IN 1880, THE WICHITA & DALLAS RAILWAY NAMED THE SETTLEMENT CORINTH. AN ADDITIONAL LAND DONATION IN 1953 ENLARGED THE CEMETERY TO 2.5 ACRES. THE COMMUNITY CALLED THE BURIAL GROUND SHILOH CEMETERY FOR MANY YEARS UNTIL A CEMETERY ASSOCIATION FORMED IN 1959 AND MEMBERS ADOPTED THE NAME CORINTH SHILOH CEMETERY.

FEATURES OF THE EARLY CEMETERY INCLUDE NATIVE SANDSTONE MARKERS AND DECORATIVE MUSSEL SHELLS HARVESTED FROM NEARBY CREEKS. TODAY, CORINTH SHILOH CEMETERY CHRONICLES THE HISTORY OF AREA SETTLERS. DESCENDANTS AND FRIENDS REUNITE FOR ANNUAL DECORATION DAYS TO CLEAN AND DECORATE THE GRAVES OF THOSE BURIED HERE.

HISTORIC TEXAS CEMETERY - 2003



Denton County

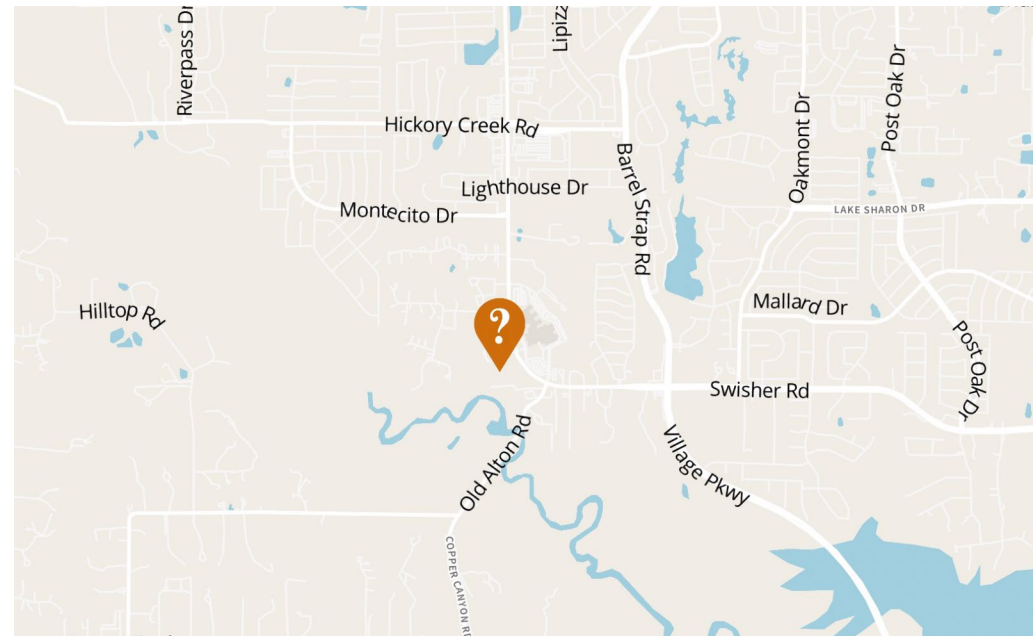
Old Alton Cemetery, Denton



Old Alton Cemetery

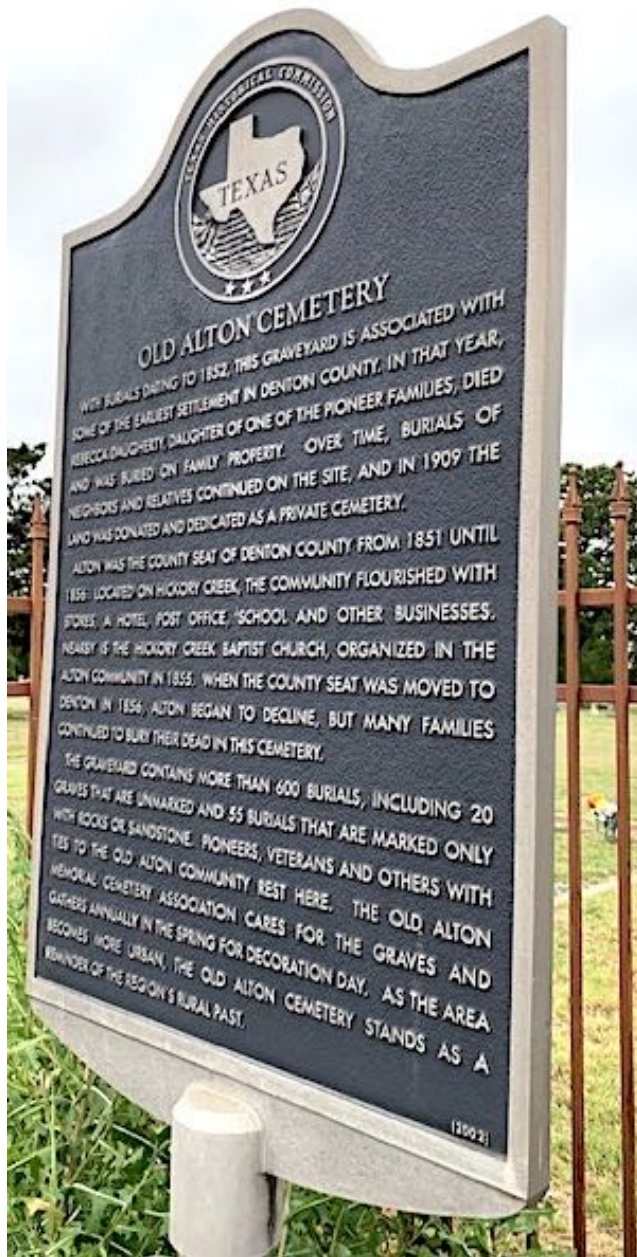
- **63** veterans identified of 728 occupants
 - 8% veterans
- Conflicts: **65**
 - Texas Revolution:
 - Mexican-American:
 - Civil War: **3**
 - Indian Wars:
 - Spanish-American:
 - WW I: **8**
 - WW II: **27**
 - Korea: **3**
 - Vietnam: **11**
 - War on Terror:
 - Peace time or Unknown: **13**
 - Note: Total exceeds number of identified veterans because some served during more than one conflict.

- Address
 - 5720 Teasley Lane
 - Denton, Texas



**Adoption cost: \$650 +
\$31.50 for QR codes =
\$681.50 + panels**





Denton County

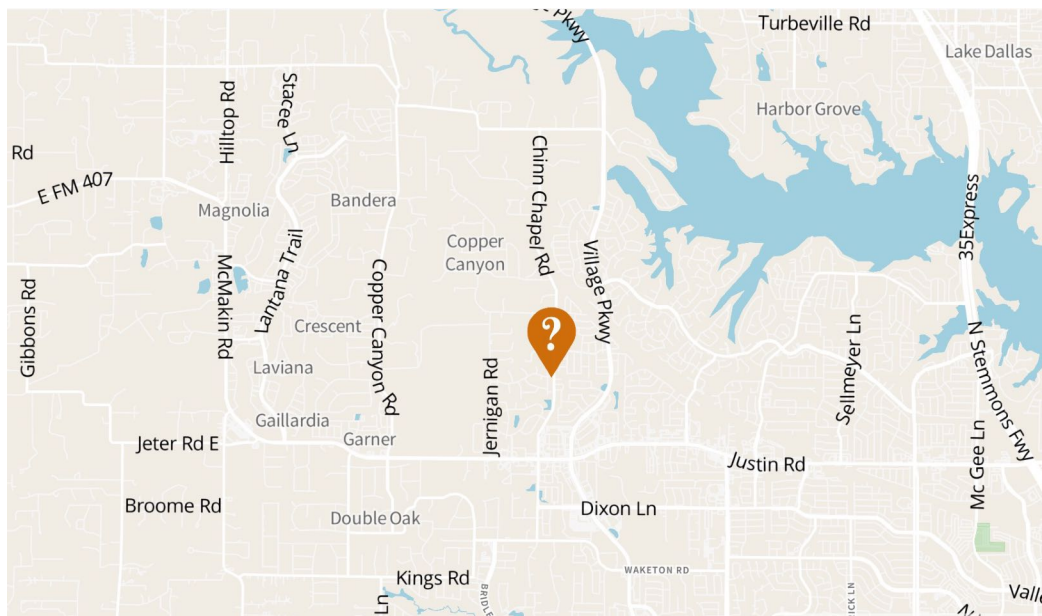
Chinn's Chapel Cemetery,
Highland Village



Chinn's Chapel Cemetery

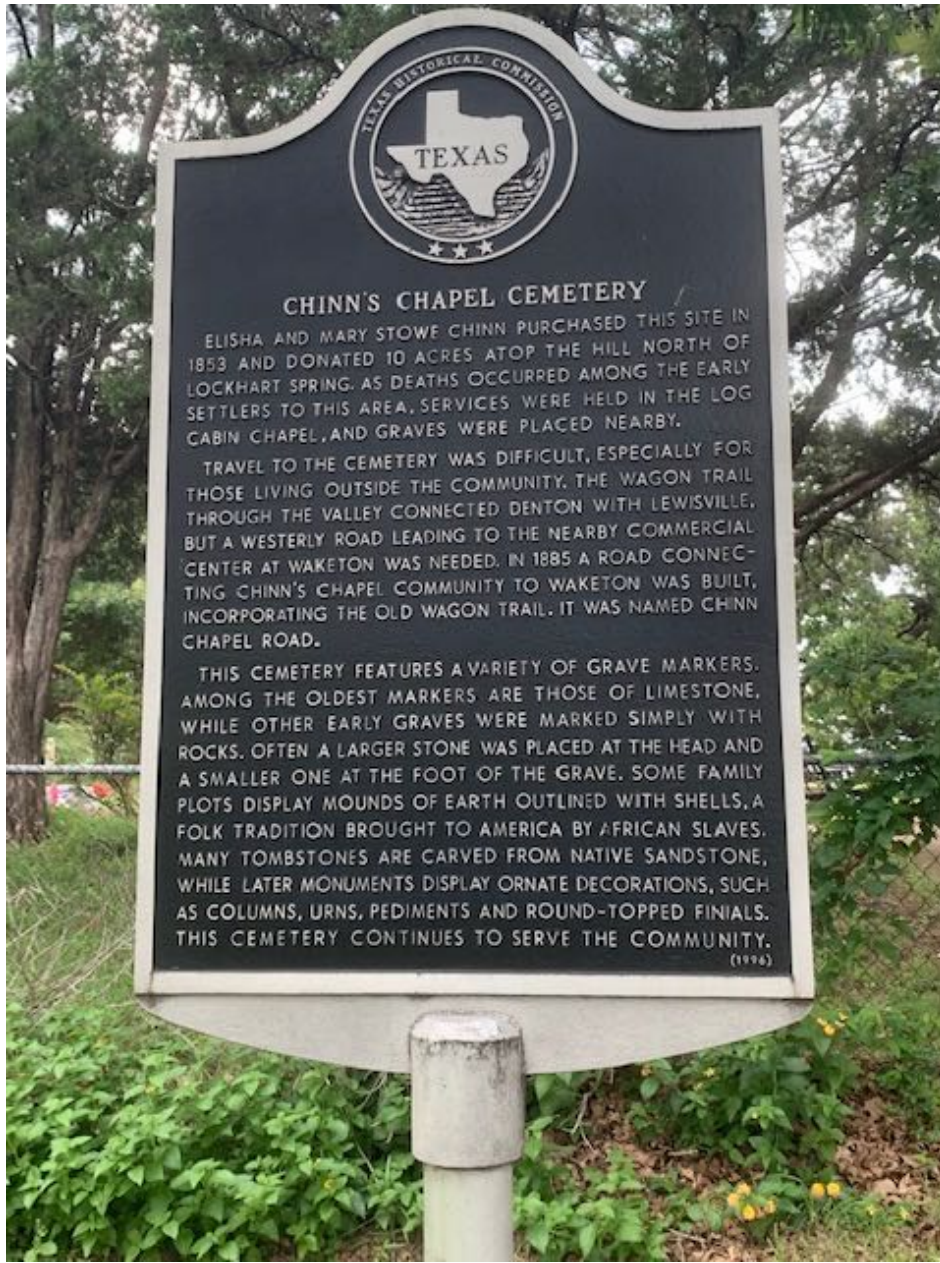
- **55** veterans identified of 801 occupants
 - 6% veterans
- Conflicts: **55**
 - Texas Revolution:
 - Mexican-American:
 - Civil War: **5**
 - Indian Wars:
 - Spanish-American:
 - WW I: **7**
 - WW II: **24**
 - Korea: **3**
 - Vietnam: **8**
 - War on Terror:
 - Peace time or Unknown: **8**

- Address
 - Chinn Chapel Rd.
 - Highland Village, TX 75077



Adoption cost: \$550 +
\$27.50 for QR codes =
\$577.50 + panels





Denton County

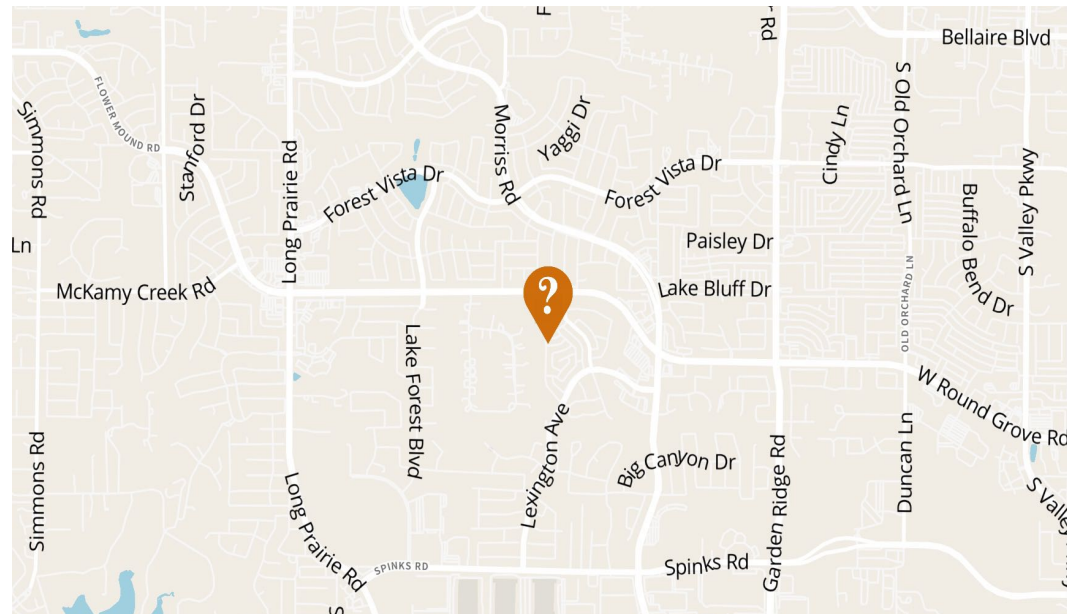
Flower Mound Cemetery,
Flower Mound



Flower Mound Cemetery

- **229** veterans identified of 2459 occupants
 - 9% veterans
- Conflicts: **250**
 - Texas Revolution:
 - Mexican-American:
 - Civil War: **1**
 - Indian Wars:
 - Spanish-American:
 - WW I: **11**
 - WW II: **99**
 - Korea: **37**
 - Vietnam: **55**
 - War on Terror: **1**
 - Peace time or Unknown: **46**
 - Note: Total exceeds number of identified veterans because some served during more than one conflict.

- Address
 - 1501 Flower Mound Rd
 - Flower Mound, Texas 75028



**Adoption cost: \$250 +
\$114.50 for QR codes =
\$364.50 + panels**





FLOWER MOUND CEMETERY

MATTHEW AND ISABELLA DOYLE (DOUGLASS) DONALD ARRIVED IN DENTON COUNTY, TEXAS IN 1854. THAT YEAR, MATTHEW, A SUCCESSFUL FARMER, SET ASIDE 10 ACRES FOR A CEMETERY, CAMPGROUND AND THE FLOWER MOUND PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH. HE SERVED AS THE FIRST PASTOR OF THE CHURCH, TO WHICH HE FORMALLY DEEDED THE LAND IN 1879.

THE CEMETERY WAS USED SOON AFTER IT WAS ESTABLISHED. THE FIRST BURIAL WAS REPORTEDLY THAT OF A GIRL WHO DIED AT A CHURCH CAMP MEETING. THE EARLIEST MARKED BURIAL IS THAT OF OLA HALL (d. 1873). THE EARLIEST BIRTH DATE ON A MARKER IS THAT OF ANDERSON SPINKS (b. 1808). EARLY FLOWER MOUND FAMILIES INITIALLY HAD PLOTS. THE DONALD PLOT INCLUDES BURIALS OF THE CEMETERY'S FOUNDER AND HIS BROTHER, ROBERT HENDERSON DONALD, WHO SERVED AS CHURCH DEACON AND STATE LEGISLATOR. OTHER FAMILIES INCLUDE THE SIMMONS, BAKERS AND CRAWFORDS. IN 1980, THE DYER FAMILY CEMETERY WAS RELOCATED TO FLOWER MOUND, DUE TO THE BUILDING OF LAKE GRAPEVINE.

THE FLOWER MOUND CEMETERY ASSOCIATION, ALONG WITH THE CHURCH, HOLDS AN ANNUAL DECORATION DAY AND WORSHIP SERVICE. THE BURIAL GROUND REMAINS A LINK TO THE GENERATIONS OF RESIDENTS WHO CONTRIBUTED TO FLOWER MOUND'S RICH HISTORY.

HISTORIC TEXAS CEMETERY ~ 2003



Denton County

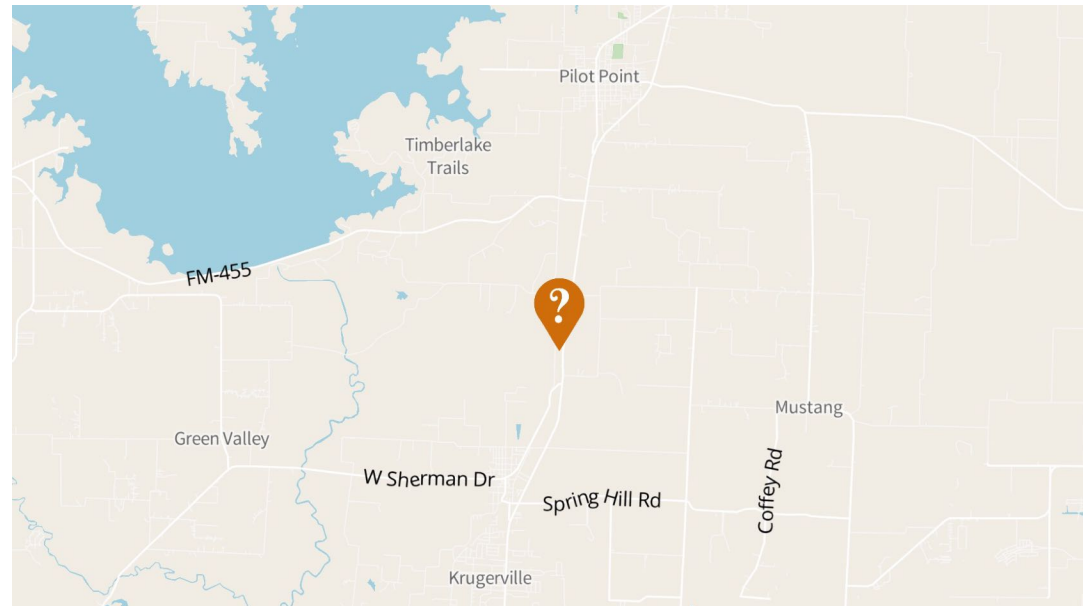
Belew Cemetery, Aubrey



Belew Cemetery

- **309** veterans identified of 3812 occupants
 - 8% veterans
- Conflicts: **318**
 - Texas Revolution:
 - Mexican-American:
 - Civil War: **5**
 - Indian Wars:
 - Spanish-American: **1**
 - WW I: **36**
 - WW II: **142**
 - Korea: **48**
 - Vietnam: **62**
 - War on Terror: **3**
 - Peace time or Unknown: **21**
 - Note: Total exceeds number of identified veterans because some served during more than one conflict.

- Address
 - 9500 Belew Rd.
 - Pilot Point, Texas 76227



**Adoption cost: \$3180 +
\$154.50 for QR codes =
\$3334.50 + panels**





BELEW CEMETERY

AROUND 1856, RICHARD (DICK) AARON BELEW (1820-1900) AND MARY JANE BELEW (1822-1902), THEIR FIVE CHILDREN AND 39 OTHER FAMILIES CAME TOGETHER BY WAGON FROM TENNESSEE TO DENTON COUNTY. THEY STOPPED ON A HILL IN AN AREA LATER KNOWN AS THE BELEW SCHOOLHOUSE SETTLEMENT, PART OF THE A.G. STAPP SURVEY NORTH OF AUBREY. A SCHOOL SOON OPENED IN A LOG CABIN AT THE SITE AND WAS LATER USED AS A CHURCH. THE CEMETERY WAS LOCATED IN CLOSE PROXIMITY TO THE SCHOOL. THE FIRST PIECE OF LAND WAS PURCHASED IN OCTOBER 1880 FROM RICHARD AARON BELEW BY THE CITIZENS OF THE BELEW SCHOOLHOUSE COMMUNITY TO BE USED AS A PUBLIC GRAVE YARD. OVER 70 RED SANDSTONE ROCKS MARK MANY OF THE EARLY GRAVES IN THIS ORIGINAL 2.8 ACRES. BY THE EARLY 1900s, THE BELEW CEMETERY WAS ESTABLISHED AS THE MAIN BURIAL GROUND FOR THE AUBREY AREA.

IN 1902, A LADIES CEMETERY SOCIETY WAS ORGANIZED BY KATE HODGES (1857-1906), MARY L. (MOLLIE) HENDERSON (1854-1919), OLA PRICE (1877-1955), BETTIE CATLETT (1855-1918), MARY CADDELL (1854-1940) AND NORA McINTOSH (1872-1965) TO RAISE FUNDS FOR THE CARE OF THE CEMETERY. TO RAISE MONEY FOR ADDITIONAL LAND, THE LADIES CEMETERY SOCIETY VOTED TO HOLD A THANKSGIVING DINNER FOR THE COMMUNITY. FOR 85 YEARS, THIS FUNDRAISER WAS A SUCCESS AND ALLOWED THE SOCIETY, LATER RENAMED THE BELEW CEMETERY ASSOCIATION, TO PURCHASE ADDITIONAL LAND IN 1903 AND FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A HOUSE FOR THE SEXTON IN 1906 AND A PAVILION IN 1910. ADDITIONAL LAND WAS ACQUIRED IN 1962 AND 1983. THE ASSOCIATION'S FIRST DIRECTORS REPRESENTED RURAL SCHOOL DISTRICTS IN THE SURROUNDING AREA. EARLY SETTLERS, ASSOCIATION FOUNDERS AND VETERANS FROM THE CIVIL WAR TO THE GULF WAR ARE BURIED HERE. THIS HISTORIC CEMETERY CONTINUES TO HONOR THE AREA'S HERITAGE AND ANCESTORS.

HISTORIC TEXAS CEMETERY - 2011
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Denton County

Pilot Point Community Cemetery,
Pilot Point



Pilot Point Community Cemetery

- 52+ (in progress!) veterans identified of 4129 occupants

- ?% veterans

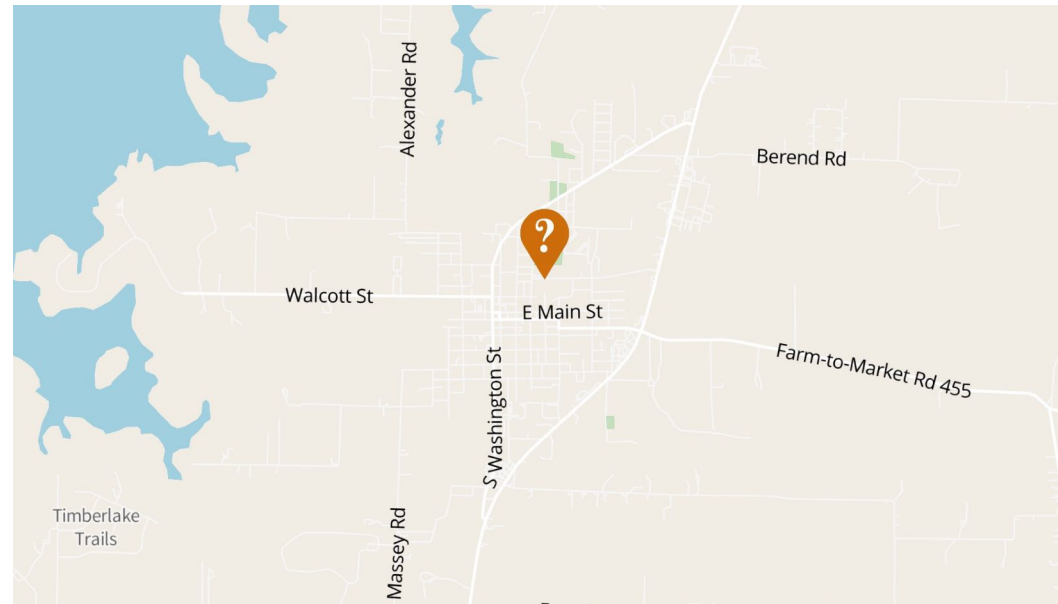
- Conflicts: ?

- Texas Revolution:
- Mexican-American:
- Civil War:
- Indian Wars:
- Spanish-American:
- WW I:
- WW II:
- Korea:
- Vietnam:
- War on Terror:
- Peace time or Unknown:

- Note: Total exceeds number of identified veterans because some served during more than one conflict.

- Address

- 600 N. Prairie Street
- Pilot Point, Texas 76258

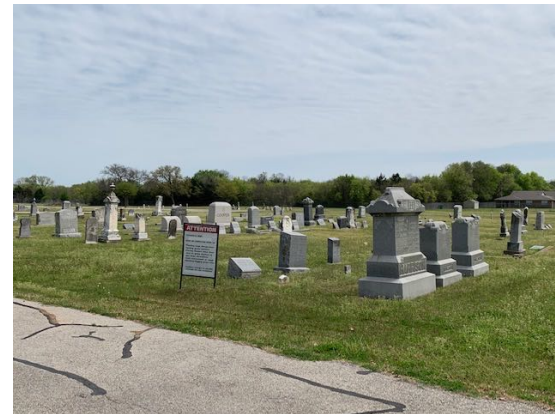


Adoption cost: \$pending





Spring 2021



Denton County

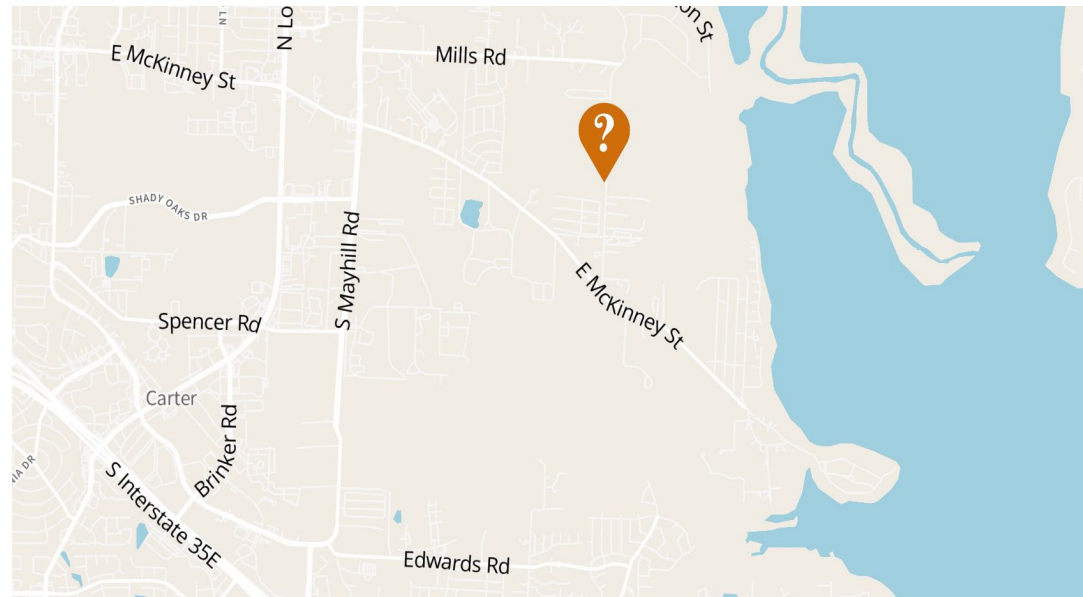
Trinity Cemetery, Denton



Trinity Cemetery

- **40** veterans identified of 437 occupants
 - 9% veterans
- Conflicts: **40**
 - Texas Revolution:
 - Mexican-American:
 - Civil War:
 - Indian Wars:
 - Spanish-American:
 - WW I: **7**
 - WW II: **17**
 - Korea: **3**
 - Vietnam: **5**
 - War on Terror: **1**
 - Peace time or Unknown: **7**

- Address
 - 742 S. Trinity Rd.
 - Denton, Texas 76208



Adoption cost: \$400 +
\$20.00 for QR codes =
\$420.00 + panels





Winter 2021



Hidalgo County



McAllen, Texas



Hidalgo County

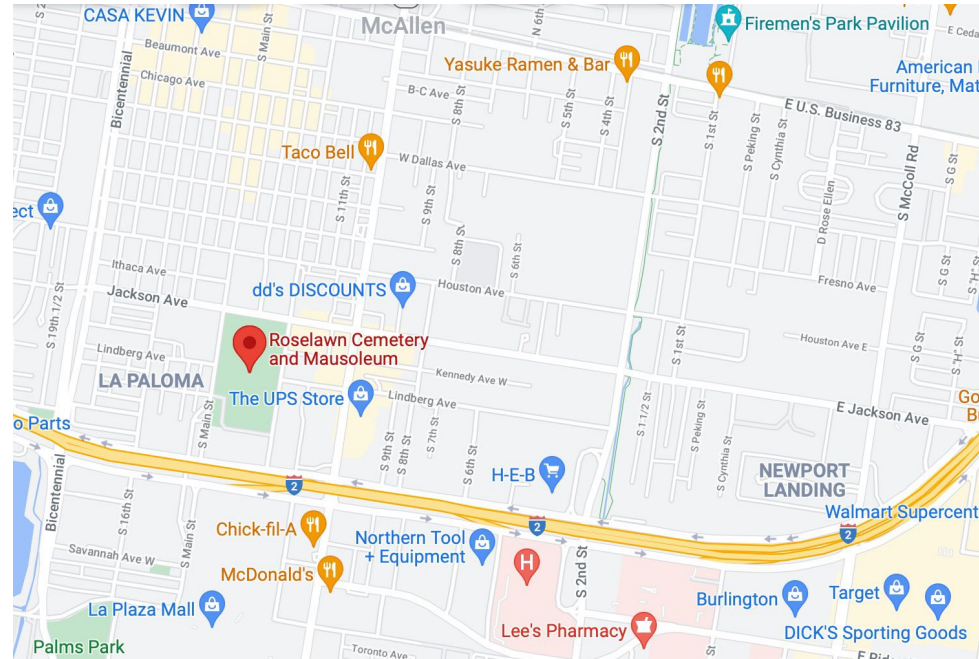
Roselawn Cemetery, McAllen



Roselawn Cemetery

- **In progress** veterans identified of 5708 occupants
 - ?% veterans
- **Conflicts:**
 - Texas Revolution:
 - Mexican-American:
 - Civil War:
 - Indian Wars:
 - Spanish-American:
 - WW I:
 - WW II:
 - Korea:
 - Vietnam:
 - War on Terror:
 - Peace time or Unknown:
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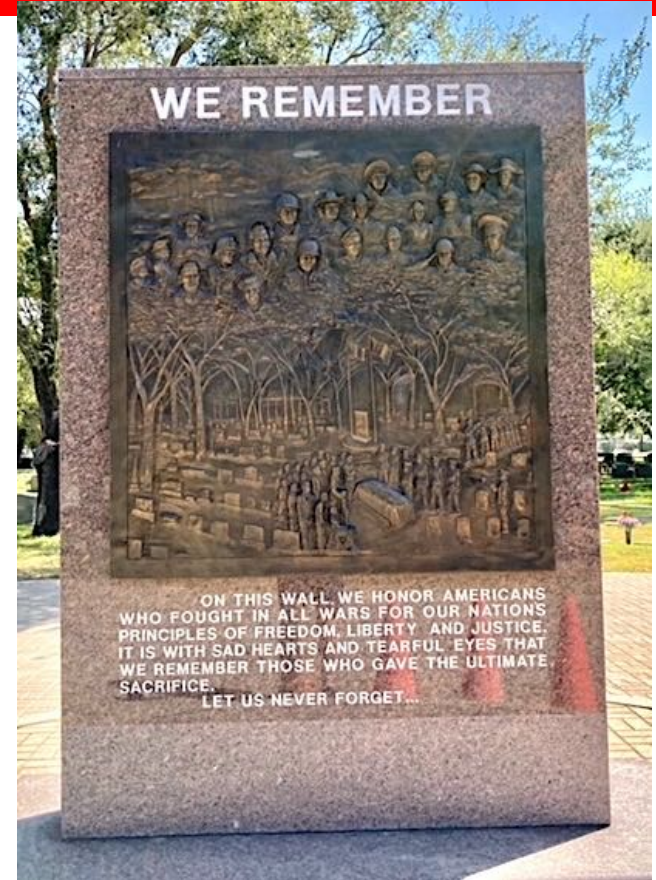
- **Address**
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 - McAllen, TX 78501



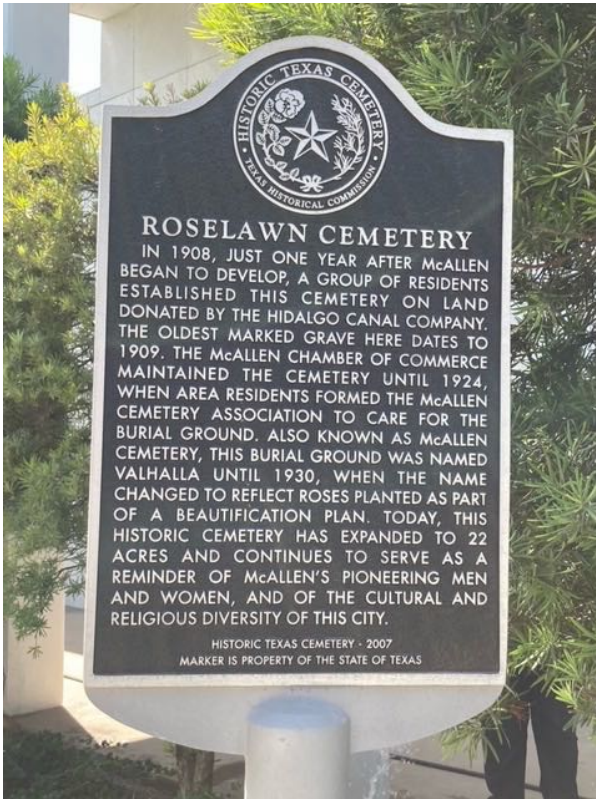
Adoption cost: \$pending



Summer 2021

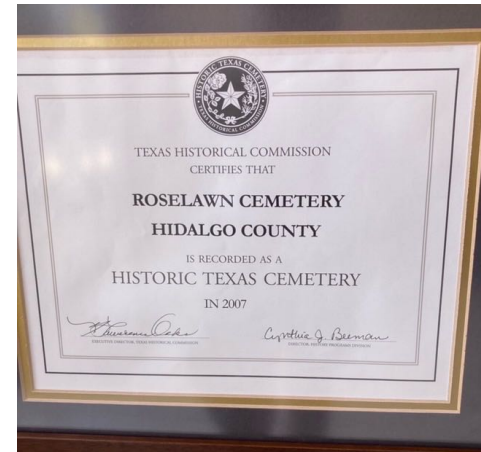


ON THIS WALL WE HONOR AMERICANS WHO FOUGHT IN ALL WARS FOR OUR NATION'S PRINCIPLES OF FREEDOM, LIBERTY AND JUSTICE. IT IS WITH SAD HEARTS AND TEARFUL EYES THAT WE REMEMBER THOSE WHO GAVE THE ULTIMATE SACRIFICE.
LET US NEVER FORGET...



ROSELAWN CEMETERY
IN 1908, JUST ONE YEAR AFTER McALLEN BEGAN TO DEVELOP, A GROUP OF RESIDENTS ESTABLISHED THIS CEMETERY ON LAND DONATED BY THE HIDALGO CANAL COMPANY. THE OLDEST MARKED GRAVE HERE DATES TO 1909. THE McALLEN CHAMBER OF COMMERCE MAINTAINED THE CEMETERY UNTIL 1924, WHEN AREA RESIDENTS FORMED THE McALLEN CEMETERY ASSOCIATION TO CARE FOR THE BURIAL GROUND. ALSO KNOWN AS McALLEN CEMETERY, THIS BURIAL GROUND WAS NAMED VALHALLA UNTIL 1930, WHEN THE NAME CHANGED TO REFLECT ROSES PLANTED AS PART OF A BEAUTIFICATION PLAN. TODAY, THIS HISTORIC CEMETERY HAS EXPANDED TO 22 ACRES AND CONTINUES TO SERVE AS A REMINDER OF McALLEN'S PIONEERING MEN AND WOMEN, AND OF THE CULTURAL AND RELIGIOUS DIVERSITY OF THIS CITY.

HISTORIC TEXAS CEMETERY - 2007
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TEXAS HISTORICAL COMMISSION
CERTIFIES THAT
ROSELAWN CEMETERY
HIDALGO COUNTY
IS RECORDED AS A
HISTORIC TEXAS CEMETERY
IN 2007

Theresa C. ...
TEXAS HISTORICAL COMMISSION

Cynthia G. ...
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Kaufman County



Kaufman, Texas



Kaufman County

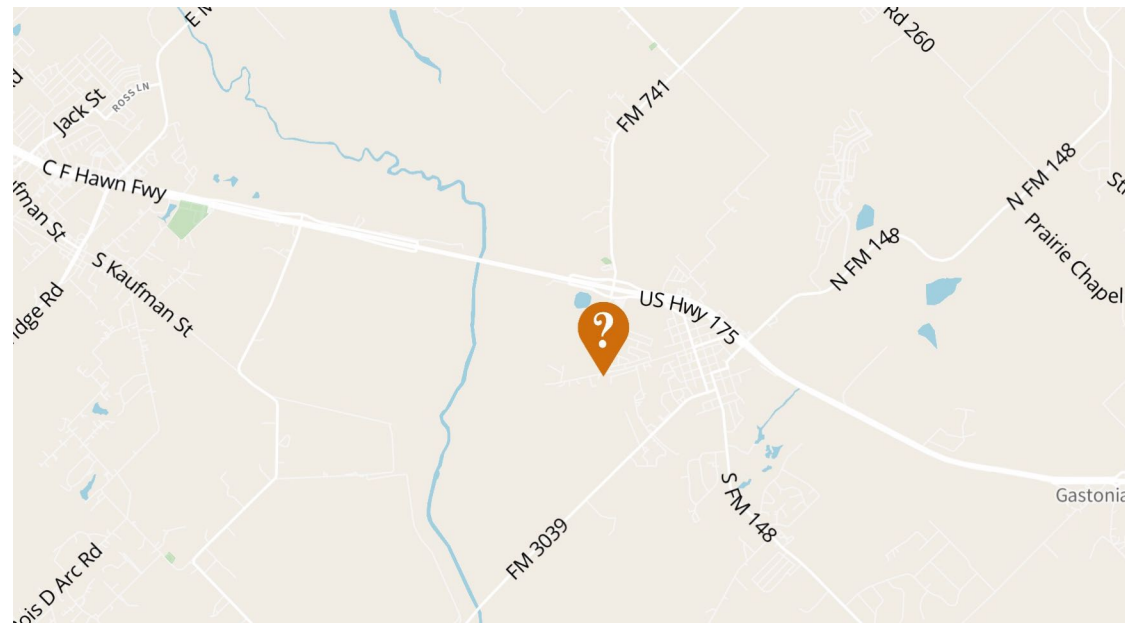
Crandall Cemetery, Crandall



Crandall Cemetery

- **129** veterans identified of 1928 occupants
 - 6% veterans
- Conflicts: **131**
 - Texas Revolution:
 - Mexican-American:
 - Civil War: **6**
 - Indian Wars:
 - Spanish-American: **1**
 - WW I: **21**
 - WW II: **60**
 - Korea: **13**
 - Vietnam: **8**
 - War on Terror:
 - Peace time or Unknown: **22**
 - Note: Total exceeds number of identified veterans because some served during more than one conflict.

- Address
 - 102 Trinity Rd
 - Crandall, Texas 75114



**Adoption cost: \$1310 +
\$64.50 for QR codes =
\$1374.50 + panels**



Summer 2021



Kaufman County

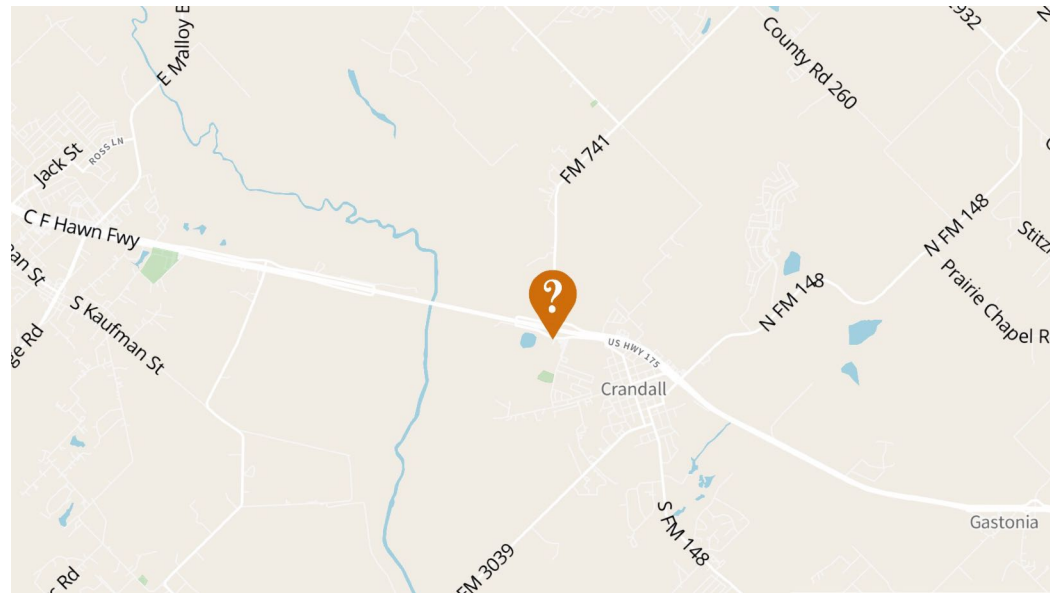
Crandall Community Cemetery,
Crandall



Crandall Community Cemetery

- **14** veterans identified of 79 occupants
 - 15% veterans
- Conflicts: **14**
 - Texas Revolution:
 - Mexican-American:
 - Civil War:
 - Indian Wars:
 - Spanish-American:
 - WW I: **1**
 - WW II: **8**
 - Korea:
 - Vietnam: **4**
 - War on Terror:
 - Peace time or Unknown: **1**

- Address
 - County Road 741
(Forney Exit off US 175)
 - Crandall, Texas



Adoption cost: **\$140 +**
\$7.00 for QR codes =
\$147.00 + panel





Kaufman County

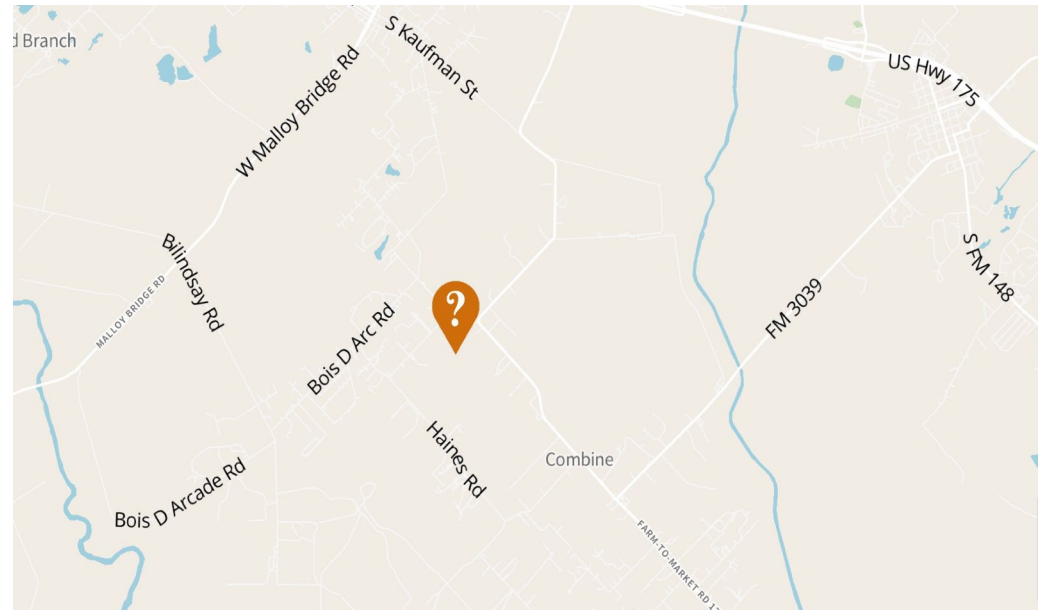
Rains Hall Cemetery, Crandall



Rains Hall Cemetery

- **19** veterans identified of 270 occupants
 - 7% veterans
- Conflicts: **19**
 - Texas Revolution:
 - Mexican-American:
 - Civil War:
 - Indian Wars:
 - Spanish-American:
 - WW I:
 - WW II: **2**
 - Korea: **5**
 - Vietnam: **1**
 - War on Terror:
 - Peace time or Unknown: **11**

- Address
 - 1665 Combine Rd
Seagoville, Texas 75159



Adoption cost: **\$190 +**
\$9.50 for QR codes =
\$199.50 + panel

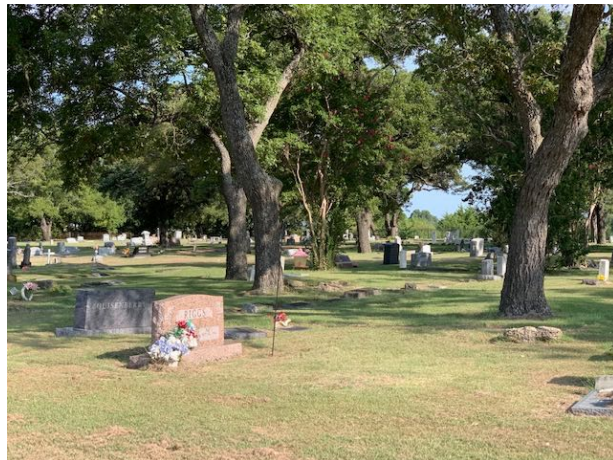




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Cemetery



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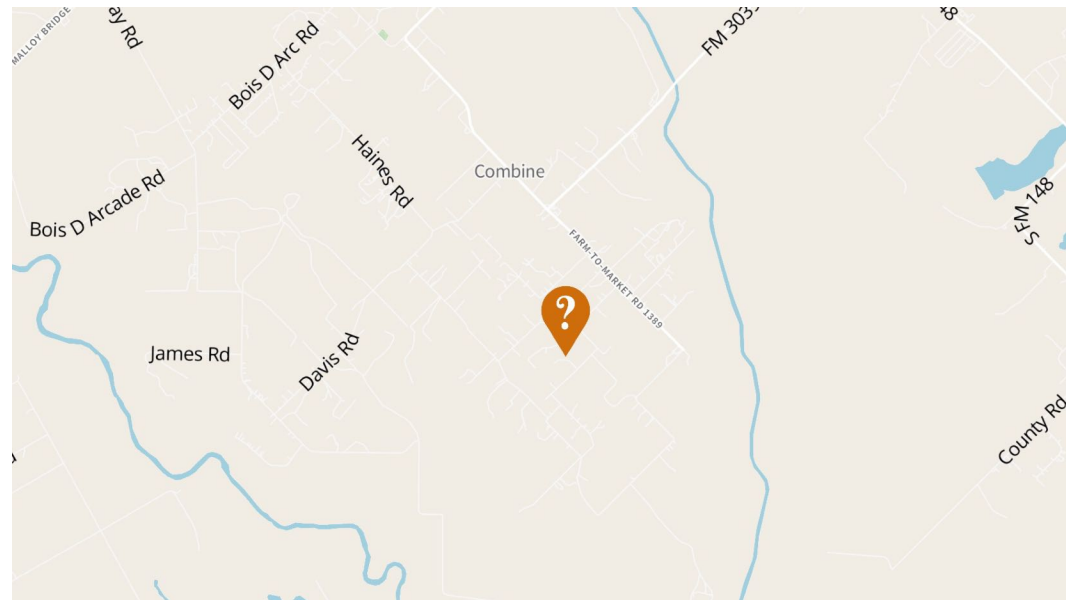
Pleasant Grove, Combine



Pleasant Grove Cemetery

- **40** veterans identified of 523 occupants
 - 7% veterans
- Conflicts: **41**
 - Texas Revolution:
 - Mexican-American:
 - Civil War:
 - Indian Wars:
 - Spanish-American:
 - WW I: **2**
 - WW II: **18**
 - Korea: **5**
 - Vietnam: **11**
 - War on Terror:
 - Peace time or Unknown: **5**
 - Note: Total exceeds number of identified veterans because some served during more than one conflict.

- Address
 - 318 Lanier Road
 - Combine, Texas 75159

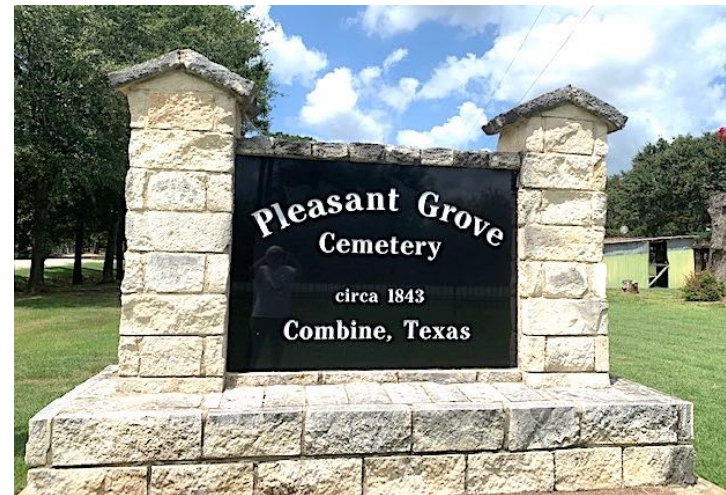


Adoption cost: \$410 +
\$20.00 for QR codes =
\$430.00 + panel





Summer 2021



Kinney County



Kinney County

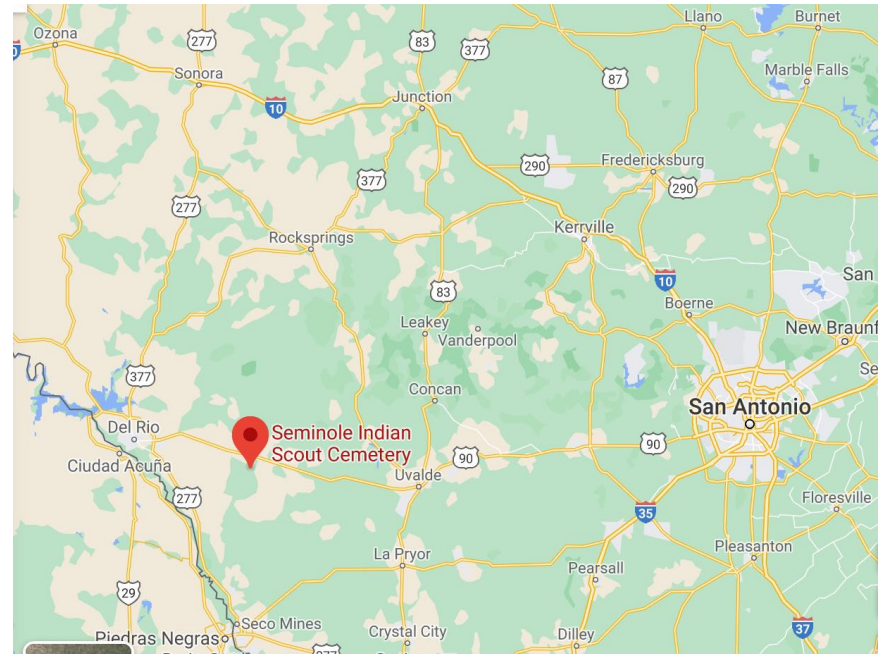
Seminole Indian Scouts Cemetery,
Brackettville



Seminole Indian Scouts Cemetery

- **106** veterans identified of 436 occupants
 - 24% veterans
- Conflicts: **117**
 - Texas Revolution:
 - Mexican-American:
 - Civil War:
 - Indian Wars: **36**
 - Spanish-American: **5**
 - WW I: **23**
 - WW II: **28**
 - Korea: **7**
 - Vietnam: **6**
 - War on Terror:
 - Peace time or Unknown: **12**
 - Note: Total exceeds number of identified veterans because some served during more than one conflict.

- Address
 - FM 33348
 - Brackettville, Texas 78832



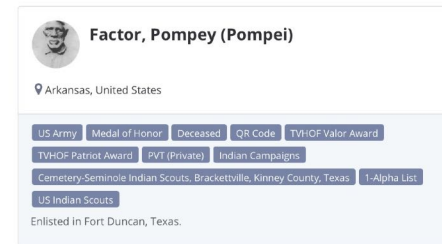
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\$53.00 for QR codes =
\$1223.00 + panels**



Four Medal of Honors Buried Here

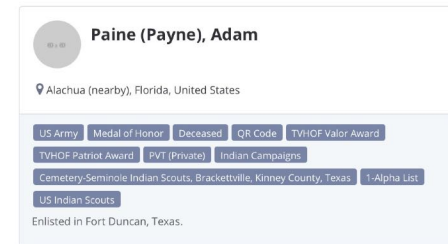
- Go to:
<https://txveterans.org>
- Click on **View Their Stories** (red button)
- Click on Search
 - Check: Medal of Honor
 - **AND**
 - Check: Cemetery-Seminole Indian Scouts
- Click on Search (bottom of page)

Results



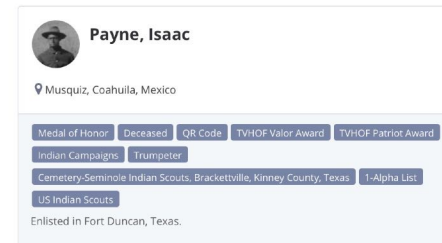
Factor, Pompei (Pompei)
Arkansas, United States

US Army | Medal of Honor | Deceased | QR Code | TVHOF Valor Award
TVHOF Patriot Award | PVT (Private) | Indian Campaigns
Cemetery-Seminole Indian Scouts, Brackettville, Kinney County, Texas | 1-Alpha List
US Indian Scouts
Enlisted in Fort Duncan, Texas.



Paine (Payne), Adam
Alachua (nearby), Florida, United States

US Army | Medal of Honor | Deceased | QR Code | TVHOF Valor Award
TVHOF Patriot Award | PVT (Private) | Indian Campaigns
Cemetery-Seminole Indian Scouts, Brackettville, Kinney County, Texas | 1-Alpha List
US Indian Scouts
Enlisted in Fort Duncan, Texas.



Payne, Isaac
Musquiz, Coahuila, Mexico

Medal of Honor | Deceased | QR Code | TVHOF Valor Award | TVHOF Patriot Award
Indian Campaigns | Trumpeter
Cemetery-Seminole Indian Scouts, Brackettville, Kinney County, Texas | 1-Alpha List
US Indian Scouts
Enlisted in Fort Duncan, Texas.



Ward (Warrior), John
Arkansas, United States

Medal of Honor | Deceased | SGT (Sergeant) | QR Code | TVHOF Valor Award
TVHOF Patriot Award | Indian Campaigns
Cemetery-Seminole Indian Scouts, Brackettville, Kinney County, Texas | 1-Alpha List
US Indian Scouts
Enlisted in Fort Duncan, Texas.

Yes, this cemetery is host to 4 MOH recipients!
Read their Bios!



McLennan County



Waco, Texas



McLennan County

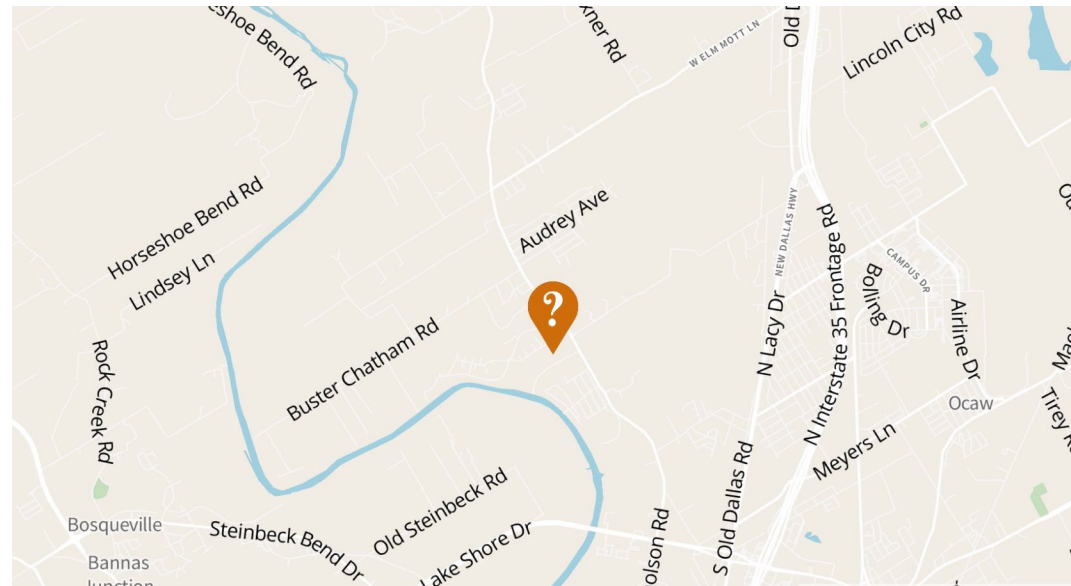
Moore Cemetery, Chalk Bluff



Moore Cemetery

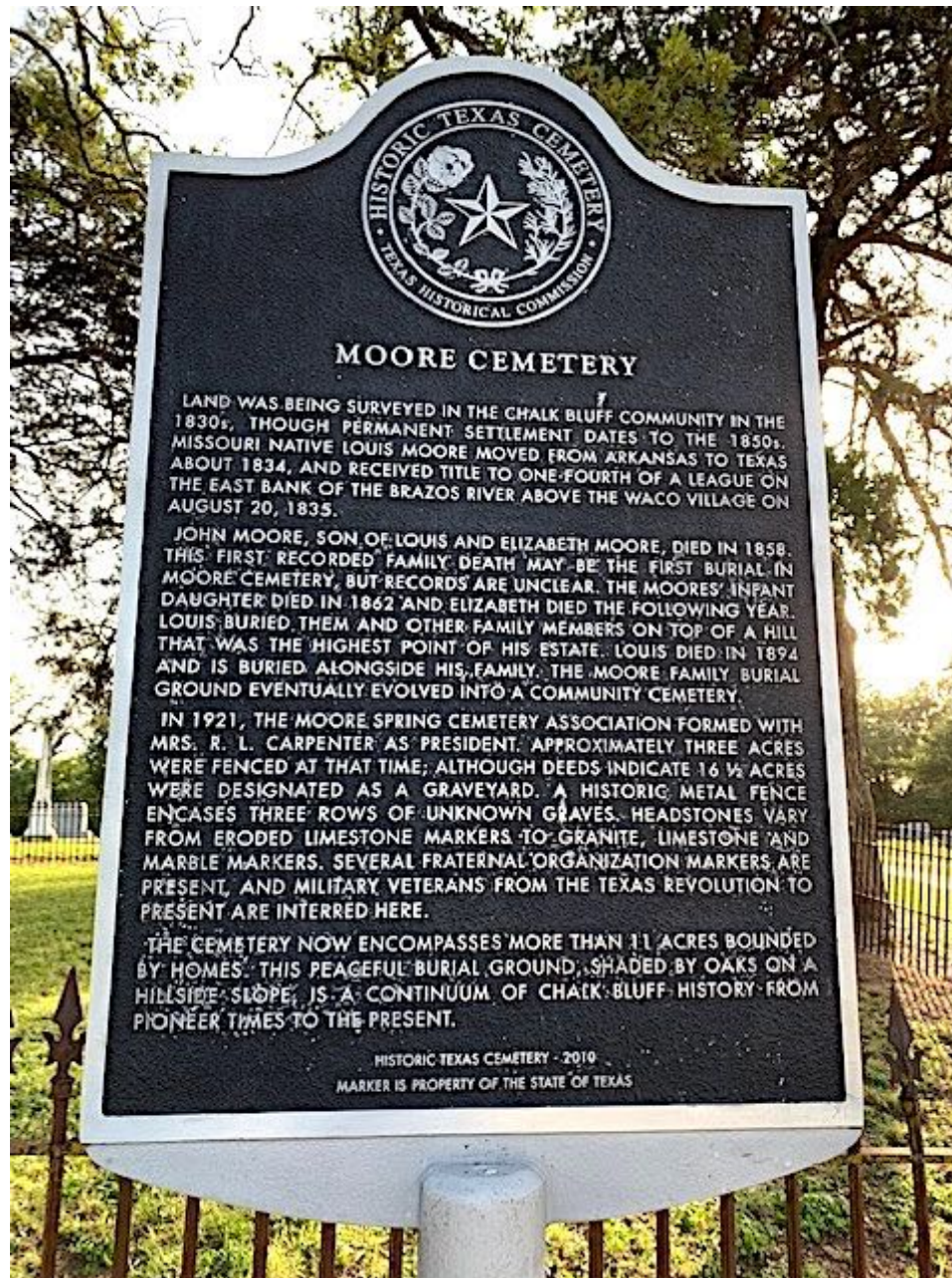
- **139** veterans identified of 820 occupants
 - 17% veterans
- Conflicts: **144**
 - Texas Revolution: **1**
 - Mexican-American: **1**
 - Civil War: **2**
 - Indian Wars:
 - Spanish-American:
 - WW I: **8**
 - WW II: **55**
 - Korea: **19**
 - Vietnam: **19**
 - War on Terror:
 - Peace time or Unknown: **39**
 - Note: Total exceeds number of identified veterans because some served during more than one conflict.

- Address
 - 5137 Gholson Rd.
 - Chalk Bluff, Texas 76705



Adoption cost: **\$1390 +**
\$69.50 for QR codes =
\$1459.50 + panels





Summer 2021



Tarrant County



Fort Worth, Texas



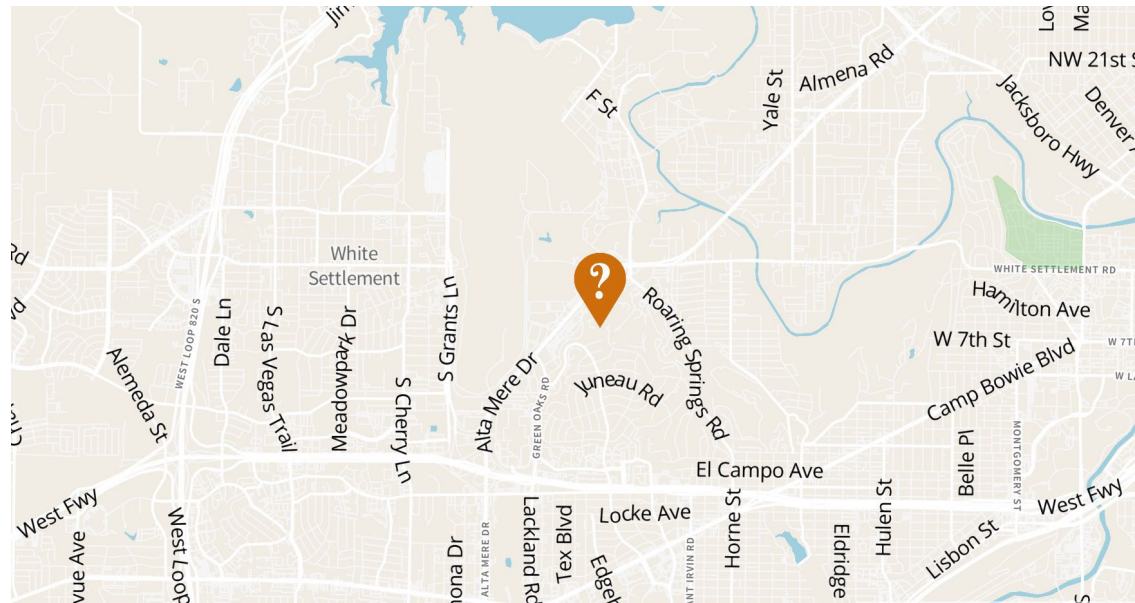
Tarrant County

Thompson Public Cemetery,
Westworth Village



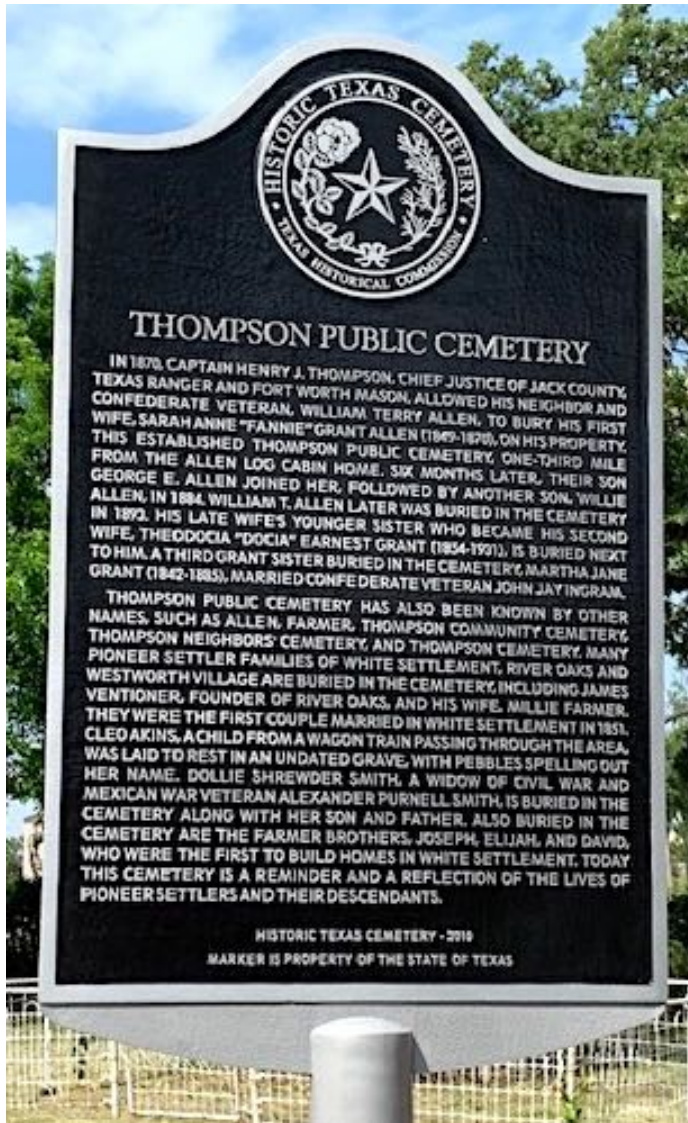
Thompson Public Cemetery

- **3** veterans identified of 79 occupants
 - 4% veterans
- Conflicts: **3**
 - Texas Revolution:
 - Mexican-American:
 - Civil War: **2**
 - Indian Wars:
 - Spanish-American: **1**
 - WW I:
 - WW II:
 - Korea:
 - Vietnam:
 - War on Terror:
 - Peace time or Unknown:
- Address
 - 6505 Westworth Blvd
 - Westworth Village, Texas



Adoption cost: \$30 +
\$1.50 for QR codes =
\$31.50 + panel





Spring 2021



What are RTF Hosts and Researchers?

- A group of individuals or organizations that have agreed to Host and perform research at a cemetery as their RTF project.
- The program is divided into two parts.
 - Organizations can select one or both parts of the RTF program as their responsibility.



Host Program

- Record the compass points (Degree/Min/Sec or Lat/Long) the gravesites of Veterans in your Host cemetery.
- Take photos of each military marker or other indication that the deceased is a veteran.
- Place Patriot Medallions and wayside panels in the host cemetery.
- Place and remove the American Flags for Memorial Day, the Fourth of July and Veterans Day.



Research Program

- Research the history of each veteran buried in your host cemetery.
- Document the stories and/or profiles of each veteran for entry into the Texas Veterans Hall of Fame (TVHOF) database.



Guidelines for Military Bio

- 1. **Be brief** (readable within 2 min; no longer than 2 pages)
- 2. **Write in third person**
- 3. **Start with personal information** Personal info (name/nickname, place and date of birth, service dates, highest rank, branch and location of station, survivors/family info: parents, wife, children)
- 4. Military deployment summary (dates, battles, assignments, duty titles)
- 5. Training and education (civilian experience (e.g., Freemason, woodman, blacksmith); areas of expertise, employment)
- 6. Include additional information such as **awards and accomplishments**, as well as any interesting or impressive details of how various ranks were attained.
- 7. Burial details (identify the cemetery, GPS location, cause of death (if available), include picture of gravesite if deceased)
- 8. Source(s) used to collect data
- 9. Bio should reflect veterans' lives in a positive manner.



Bio Template (2-pages)

- **Personal info** (name/nickname, place and date of birth, service dates, highest rank, branch and location of station, survivors/family info: parents, wife, children):
 - Name:
 - Date of Birth:
 - Place of Birth:
- Date of Death (If deceased):
- Cemetery Name (If deceased):
- Cemetery Location with address and GPS Coordinates (pictures are appreciated)
- **Military Service**-Military deployment summary (dates, battles, assignments, duty titles)
Military Branch:
- Dates of Military Service:
- Rank at Discharge:
- Era of Service (i.e., Vietnam):
- **List places of assignments** with job descriptions and dates (list in chronological order)
- **List military awards**
- **Summarize Education**
- **Civilian job descriptions and major accomplishments**
- **Civilian Awards** (include, local, state and national/Federal Awards)
- **Sources** (List all sources if possible)



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Who pays for Patriot Medallions and panels?

- The TVHOF will help with fundraising to purchase the markers and panels.
 - Patriot Medallions with US Flag = \$10
 - QR code = \$0.50
 - Wayside panels = \$100 each (front and back)
- TVHOF will be also responsible for the training of each Host organization.
- If you are interested, email: info@txveterans.org



Don't Like Our Choices— Select your own!

- There are roughly 50,000 cemeteries in Texas' 254 counties.
 - Choose one or more!
 - To become the Host and/or Researcher: info@txveterans.org
- Take pictures of all the veterans' gravesites, record the GPS of each in DMS (degree, minute, second) or in latitude/longitude.
- Complete an Excel file with the following:
 - Last name, first name, birth/death dates, conflict(s), veteran's service branch/duties, name of cemetery and location/city/county, and GPS
 - Arrangements will be made to add the pictures of the gravesites to the database.
 - Research and write a short bio on each veteran.



Summary (as of 11 Sept 2021)

- Burials identified: 3288
- **Patriot Medallions pending purchase: 2633**
 - Cemeteries: 21
 - Counties: 7
 - State: 1



Texas

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Remember Them Forever (RTF):

<https://txveterans.org/remember-them-forever/>

