

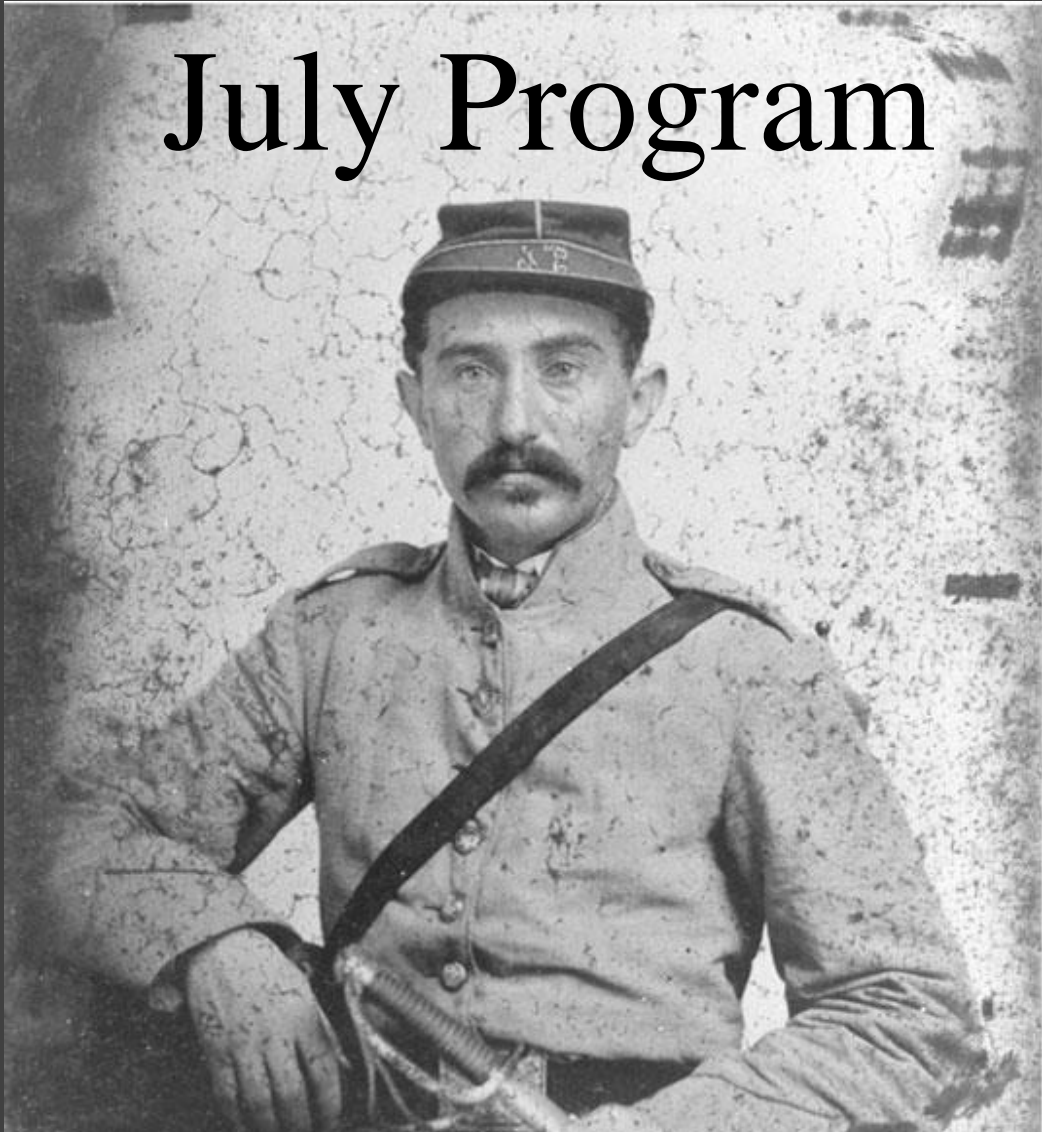


COL. E. W. TAYLOR CAMP # 1777
SONS OF CONFEDERATE VETERANS

Newsletter

Bedford, Texas.....July, 2016

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July Program

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With Compatriot Chuck Marks, direct descendant
of Jewish Confederate Maj. Washington Marks,
22nd Louisiana Infantry

Place and time of our programs are on this newsletter's following page.

CONFEDERATE LIVES STILL MATTER

Let us hear from you!

Our newsletter editor
is Mike Patterson at
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Our camp adjutant
is James
Alderman at
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James Alderman is always ready to help you with membership or dues questions. Both he and Mike check their emails several times daily and respond to them in a timely manner.

Mike Patterson has time to help answer other questions. He can help any prospective member get his application in order.

Our meetings are on the last Thursday of each month, except November and December when we don't meet because it would always conflict with the holidays.

Each month's program announcement is always on the first page of this newsletter.

We meet at Catfish and Company restaurant in Hurst, Texas, along the north side of the Airport Freeway and on the access road west of Precinct Line Road.

If you'd like to **eat** with us we'd suggest you be there at **6 p.m.** We start the **meeting** at **7 p.m.** Our goal is to be **finished** and out by **8:30 p.m.** **It'd be bad manners for a group as large as ours to stay 'til closing time. We appreciate the restaurant's hospitality to the Sons of Confederate Veterans.**



We want to get it right, whether it's presenting a program to a group, documenting a Confederate ancestor or getting an honored old veteran's headstone plumb and level again.

Who are we?

We're a group of men who sweat the details.

We would welcome camp participation in other community-service programs for which we have the interest and expertise within our camp. Tell us what you can do!

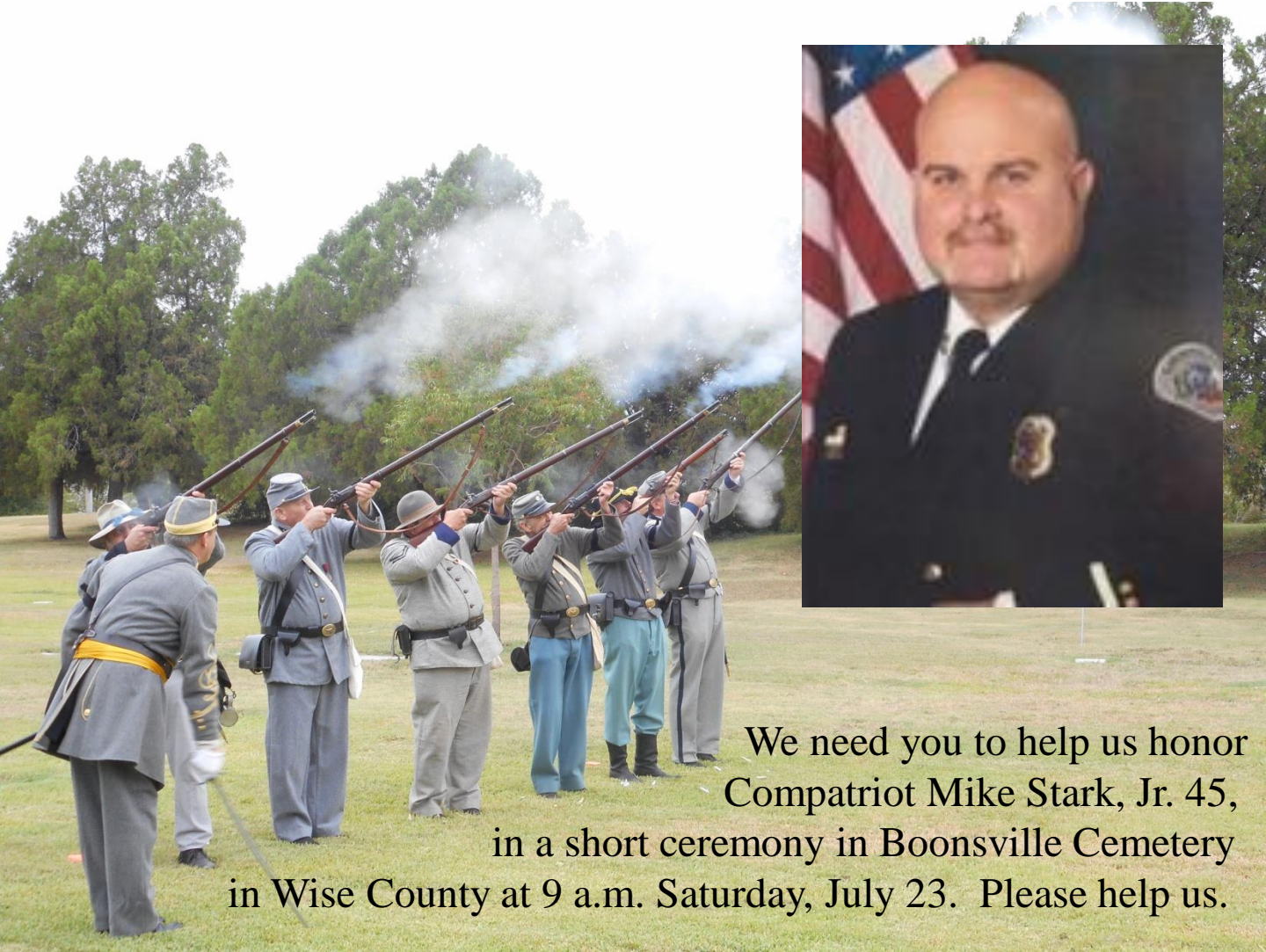
We have members who are ready and willing to help you see whether or not you have Confederate ancestors. Even if you have no desire to join, every person, man or woman, who learns about his/her Confederate ancestors becomes one of our allies in the fight against the PC perps.

We are the local camp of the Sons of Confederate Veterans, an international group with camps in all parts of the U. S. and several foreign countries.

Our primary local outreach consists of getting grave markers for Confederate veterans in unmarked graves. We have a unique working relationship with a local monument company which makes this possible. We average at least one marker per month.

An opportunity for service on July 23

Maximum effort, gentlemen, if you please



We need you to help us honor Compatriot Mike Stark, Jr. 45, in a short ceremony in Boonsville Cemetery in Wise County at 9 a.m. Saturday, July 23. Please help us.

“This is Mike Stark’s son, Mike Jr. We will meet at 9:00 AM at Boonsville Cemetery in Boonsville Texas. Jack Dyess will have the Color Guard there and our camp will do the gun salute. The ladies of the Rose will also be there. We will go to the catfish place in Azle to eat lunch. We will try to make this a special day for Mike Stark, Sr., one of our founding members and former Camp Commander of our Taylor Camp. Mike Jr. was also a member of your camp for many years. If you have a uniform come join us; if you don't have a uniform come anyway and be a part of this special event in our camp’s history.”

Bobbie Gresham, Commander, E. W. Taylor Camp

Mike Stark, Jr. salute, July 23, cont.

Go to Springtown in northwest Parker County on Jacksboro Highway (199). Continue northwest on Highway 199 about eleven miles to Highway 920, and turn right (north) onto it. The cemetery is on the west side of 920 about three miles north of Highway 199 (Jacksboro Highway). After the ceremony we will return to Azle on Highway 199 to eat at Dan Beard's catfish place.

Michael "Mike" Stark Jr., 45, loving husband, father, son, brother and friend, passed away Sunday, June 21, 2015. Service: 11 a.m. Friday at First Baptist Church of Azle, 1017 Boyd Road, Azle. Interment: Boonsville Cemetery. Visitation: 6 to 8 p.m. Thursday at the church. Mike was born Feb. 27, 1970, in Fort Worth to Michael Paul and Sandra Kay Sitton Stark. He was a firefighter with Local IAFF 3113. Mike worked for the Grapevine Fire Department for 18 years, and was with the Round Rock Fire Department for six years. He had also volunteered with the Boonsville, LaJunta, Leander, Azle, Jacksboro and Jollyville fire departments. Mike will be missed by all who knew him. Survivors: Wife, Nancy Stark of Azle; son, Hunter Stark of Austin; daughters, Brittany Staton and Katelynn Staton of Azle; sister, Lori Hancock and husband, John, of Boonsville; mother, Sandra Townsend and husband, Troy, of Azle; father, Mike Stark Sr. and wife, LaVonne, of Fort Worth; aunt, Deanne Hughes; numerous nieces and nephews; and his large fire department family and friends. ***Obituary originally published in the Star-Telegram.***



This may be a once-in-a-lifetime chance!

Attend a National SCV Reunion right in our own back yard.

July 13-17, 2016 Richardson, Texas



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Arise Confederates!
hear your country's call!

July 13-17



WELCOME



The 4th Brigade of the Texas Division is proud to welcome you to Dallas Texas, and the 2016 Sons of Confederate Veterans Reunion Website. This website will be your portal for registration and sign-up. As well as one of your best source for information about the reunion.

Please stop by often to check for updates to calendars and events!

REGISTER

Press the button below to begin the registration process.

REGISTER

ACTIVITIES

Press the button below to see what fun things are available.

ACTIVITIES

Go to the website at:
<http://scv2016.org/>

Some events are free...see Jack Dyess' rundown on next page.

Things to do at the National Reunion in Richardson

Thanks to Compatriot Jack Dyess for compiling this list.

Schedule of Events:

Wednesday July 13:

Vendor Sales – 5:00 pm – 8:00 pm FREE

Reception – 5:30 pm - 8:30 pm FREE



Thursday July 14: Vendor Sales – 8:00 am - 6:00 pm -- FREE

Chaplain's Breakfast – (Don Majors) -- 7– 8:00 am TICKET

Opening Ceremonies – 8:00 am – 8:30 am -- FREE

*Business Session #1 – 8:45 am – 12:30 pm –REGISTRATION

Heritage Luncheon – (Sam Allen) -- 12:30 pm – 1:30 pm TICKET Historical

Presentation – (Scott Bowden) -- 2:15 pm – 4:15 pm FREE

Entertainment and Oratory Contest – 8:00 pm - 9:15 pm FREE

Friday, July 15:

Forrest Cavalry Breakfast – (Dr. James Newsom) -- 7– 8:00 am TICKET

Vendor Sales - 8:00 am - 6:00 pm FREE

*Business Session #2 – 9:00 am – 12:00 pm – REGISTRATION

Awards Luncheon – (Jerry Patterson) 12:15 pm - 1:45 pm TICKET

Historical Presentation – (Tom Cartwright) 2:30 pm - 4:00 pm FREE

Saturday, July 16:

General Hood Breakfast – 7:00 am - 8:00 am TICKET

Vendor Sales - 8:00 am – 1:00 pm FREE

Army Meetings – 8:00 am-9:15 am – REGRISTRATION REQ.

*Business Session 3 – 9:30 am – 12:00 pm – REGRISTRATION

Commander-in-Chief's Reception – 7:00 pm- 8:00 pm FREE

Banquet, Debutante Presentation and Grand Ball – 8:00 pm-11:00 pm TICKET

*Only SCV members are allowed to attend the business sessions.





**Empty officers'
chairs available
in October.**

**Commander
1st Lt. Commander
Adjutant
Chaplain**

**We need you and your talents.
Period.**

**Recycling and rotating
officers is unhealthy for
any organization.**

**Officers who have worked
years without a break
deserve a rest.**

Here are the new officers we'll need:

A Commander to preside at our meetings and be the face and voice of our camp in the community.

A 1st Lt. Commander to preside over our meetings in the commander's absence. He will also be in charge of finding and coordinating programs. We have a donated laptop computer, and a donated screen which stays at our meeting place. We need to buy a power-point projector for the camp, to be kept by the program chairman.

An Adjutant to keep the records of the camp, fill out reports, submit membership applications, and handle the checking account.

A Chaplin to open and close each meeting with a prayer and to perform other functions as he's requested to do.

We have active members who have held all these positions, and they are willing to help new officers learn the jobs.

Remember the little story: There was an important job to be done and Everybody was sure that Somebody would do it. Anybody could have done it, but Nobody did it. Somebody got angry about that because it was Everybody's job. Everybody thought that Anybody could do it, but Nobody realized that Everybody wouldn't do it. It ended up that Everybody blamed Somebody when Nobody did what Anybody could have done



Fort Worth Stock Show's Treasurer has many Confederates among his ancestors. Randy Rodgers' g-g-grandmother left a Confederate widow's pension file which is a real dazzler!!!

*That's not Mr. Rodgers at left with our flag.
Try as we might, we could not find a photo of him
online.*

*The fifth in a series of looks at the rich
Confederate heritage shared by every
single officer who currently serves on
the board of the Fort Worth Exposition
and Stock Show.*

In addition to serving as the Stock Show's Treasurer, William Randolph "Randy" Rodgers is Managing Director of UBS Financial Services in Fort Worth. Like all the other men we've profiled, he is a native of Fort Worth (and is seventeen-days younger than your Fort Worth-native editor). Mr. Rodgers may be justly proud of his family's military tradition.

His father was a Navy veteran of World War II and was a Lieutenant Commander. His paternal grandfather was a long-time minister of the gospel and was a Captain in the Chaplain's Corps in both WWII and Korea. His maternal grandfather was a veteran of the U. S. Navy in WWI.

One of Mr. Rodgers' great-grandfathers, **Jasper N. Rodgers**, was a Union veteran of the Civil War, serving as a private in **Co. G, 37th Kentucky (Union) Infantry**. He was receiving a pension when died in Collin County, Texas in 1926.

We have also confirmed three Confederates among Mr. Rodgers' direct ancestors. We'll deal with two in this article, and then will devote an entire article to one of them whose widow left an amazing record of herself.

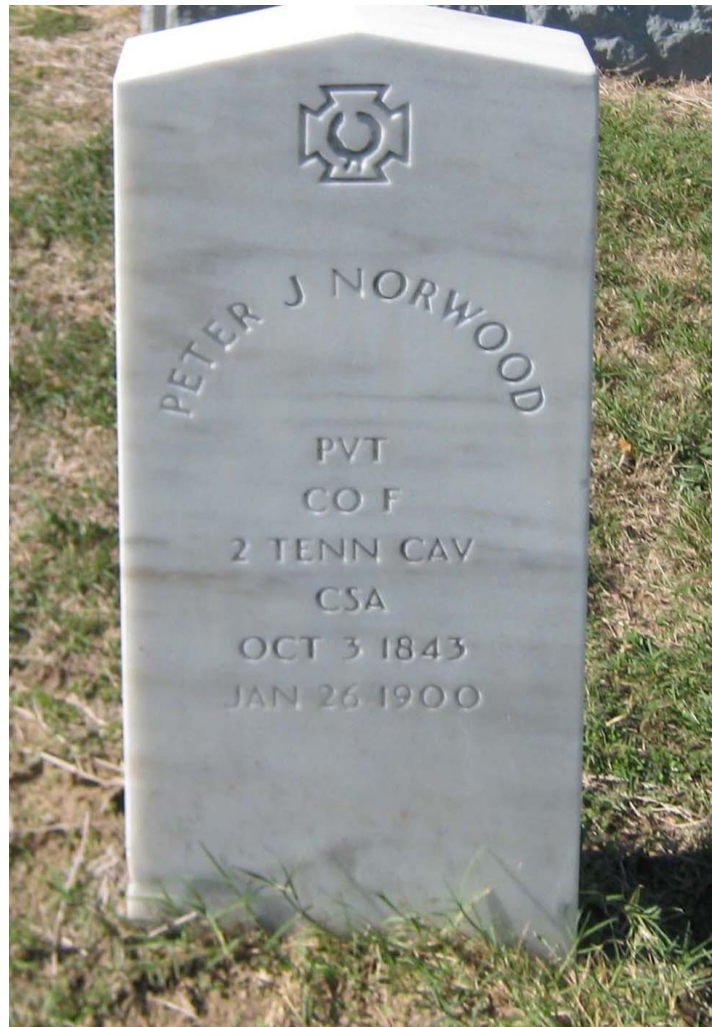
Through his maternal grandfather, Mr. Rodgers is the great-great grandson of **William W. "Billy" Chorn**, a Captain in **Co. A, 18th "Darnell's" Texas Cavalry**. Mr. Chorn was born about 1832 in Alabama, and was married to Idella Quinn in Johnson County, Texas in 1858.

Stock Show Treasurer is Confederate descendant, cont.

When the 1860 census was taken, Mr. Chorn and his family were living at Red Oak in Ellis County, Texas. Like many other Confederates he was captured at the fall of Arkansas Post, and spent time in prison at Camp Chase and Fort Delaware, from where he was exchanged in the spring of 1863. His files in the National Archives contain many documents in his own handwriting. Family sources say he died in the fighting around Atlanta, Georgia and never returned home after the War. His grave in Georgia is apparently unmarked.

Through his maternal grandmother, Mr. Rodgers is the great-great grandson of Private **Peter J. Norwood** (1843-1900), who served first in **Co. F, 2nd Tennessee Cavalry**. Later he was transferred to the **9th Kentucky Cavalry**, and later still to the **8th Tennessee Cavalry**. He lies buried in nearby Cleburne, Texas beneath a headstone furnished to him by the U. S. Veterans Administration. Mr. Norwood and his family came to Texas in 1885 from Bledsoe County, Tennessee and settled in Johnson County. Mrs. Norwood applied for a Confederate widow's pension in 1921 and received it until her death in 1940. They both lie buried in Cleburne Memorial Cemetery in Cleburne.

It is likely that Mr. Rodgers had other Confederate ancestors. Several of his ancestors were the correct age and lived in the correct places to have served, but most of those men had the same given names and surnames as many soldiers. The short time which we had to prepare this article precluded being our being able to sort through them.



Mr. Rodgers' ancestor is only one of hundreds of Confederates buried in Cleburne Memorial Cemetery. The City of Cleburne couldn't be prouder of its Confederate heritage.

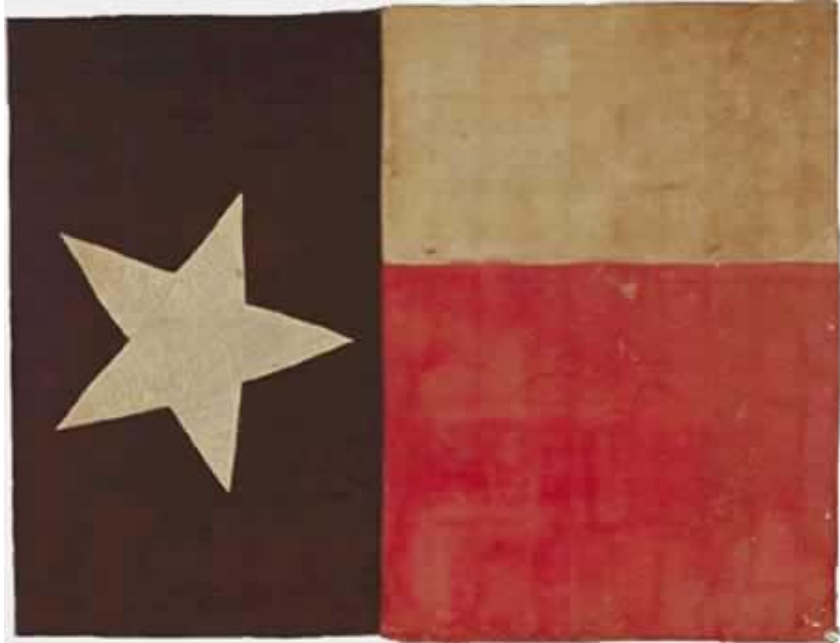
Collin County Confederate widow remained unmarried for nearly half-century, left amazing pension file in Austin archives

Through his maternal grandmother, Stock Show Treasurer Randy Rodgers is a great-great grandson of **Daniel J. Williamson** (1835-1866), who served the Confederacy as a private in **Co. D, 1st Battalion Texas Sharp Shooters (also known as Burnett's Battalion)**.

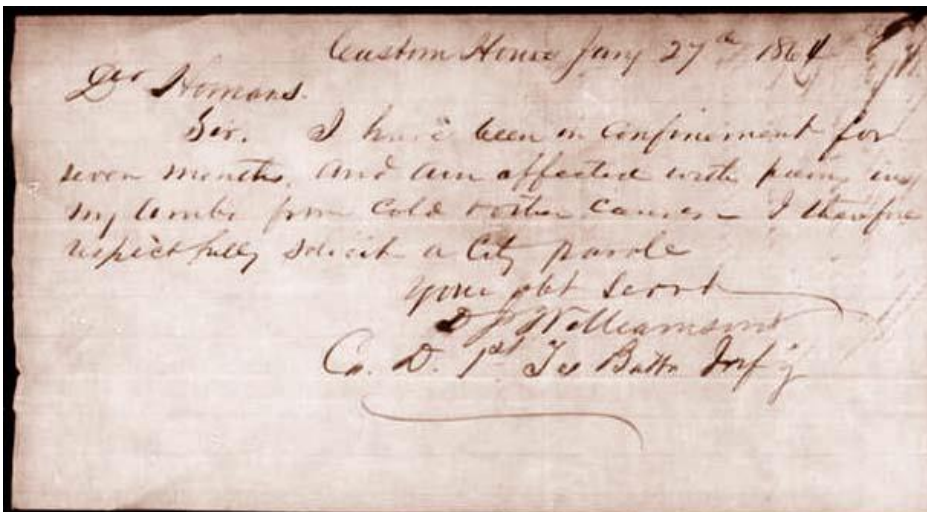
It seems likely that Mr. Williamson served under the actual flag shown at right. It is attributed to Burnett's Bn. in Alan K. Sumrall, *Battle Flags of Texans in the Confederacy*, (Austin: Eakin Press, 1995), page 48, and is believed to have been captured by the Federals when Port Hudson fell.

Mr. Williamson enlisted August 1, 1862 in Grayson County and served as a private in Co. D, 1st Battalion Texas Sharpshooters, also known as Burnett's Battalion. He was captured near Port Hudson, Louisiana on July 7, 1863.

Mr. Williamson and his wife, Nancy Ann Coats, married in 1860 in Lamar County, Texas. The pair managed to exchange a few letters during the War, and Nancy kept



some of them. When she applied for a widow's pension in 1899 she mailed in those letters as proof of Daniel's service, and they remain in her file in Austin today.



Among the interesting papers found in Mr. Williamson's file in the National Archives in Washington is this request for a "city parole" from the yankees. Written while he was a prisoner in the Custom House in New Orleans, it would have given him some freedom but he would not have been allowed to leave the city. He complained that he was "...affected with pain in my limbs from cold weather causes..."

It is not known whether his death less than a year after the War ended was caused by exposure during his confinement.

Collin County widow ancestress of Stock Show officer, cont.

Dear Mother

3 August... Tue 17. 1863

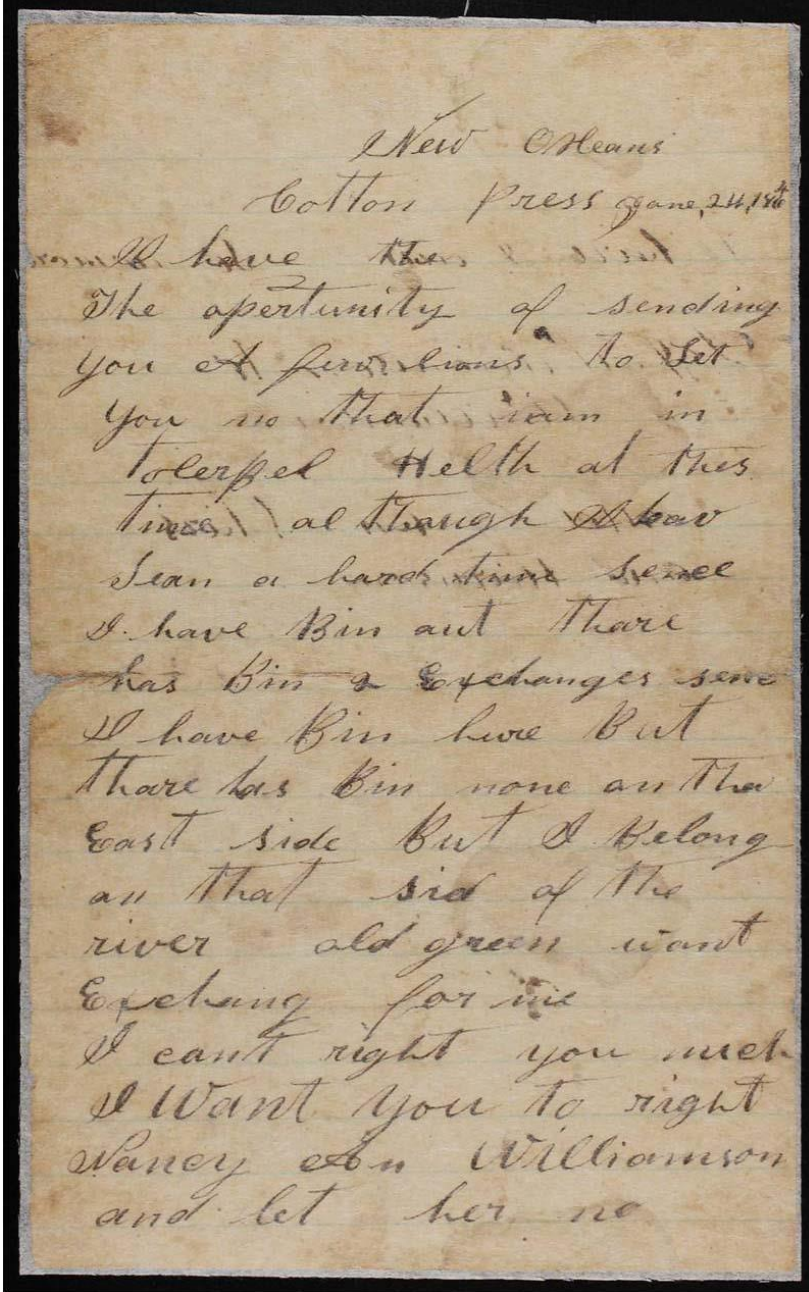
Dear wife I take my pen in hand to inform you that I am in tolerable good health at this time Hoping when those few lions comes to hand the many kind you all well and doing well I am in New Orleans in the hands of the feds I am doing well but can't tell when I will be at home I was taking out part Hudson don't be uneasy for I will be at home shortly I think we can't know what they are going to do with us there is no chance for you to right to me... I am in parish prison I will not write much this time there is a chance to send it by hand by private conveyance so no more at present but remains yours untill death

D. J. Williamson to M. A. Williamson
at no. 111 the Palace of the
Furniture

(TX)

The pension file contains an amazing four lengthy handwritten letters Mr. Williamson wrote or had written for him while he was in the service. He was in prison in New Orleans when he wrote this one the day after the birth of his daughter, Saphronia. Saphronia grew up to become Mr. Rodgers' great-grandmother.

Collin County widow ancestress of Stock Show officer, cont.



New Orleans
Cotton Press June 24, 1864
I will have the
The opportunity of sending
you a few lines. No. Let
you see that I am in
tolerped health at this
time. I al though I have
seen a hard kind sense
I have Bin out there
has Bin a Exchanger sense
I have Bin here But
there has Bin none on the
East side But I belong
on that side of the
river old green wont
Exchang for me
I cant right you meth
I Want you to right
Nancy son Williamson
and let her no

This letter, written while he was still a prisoner in New Orleans in June 1864, was sent by Daniel to a friend with the request that he get word to his wife that he was in fair health, but “old green wont exchang for me.” It seems possible that Daniel may not have known General Tom Green had been recently killed in battle.

We know Nancy Williamson got the letter because it was one of those she sent to Austin in 1899 to prove her husband’s service.

While in prison in New Orleans Daniel somehow made the acquaintance of a lady named Georgiana A. Williamson, who told the federals she was a relative and was thereby granted some access to him. She wrote a letter to Nancy Williamson after Daniel had been in prison in New Orleans for six months, trying to reassure her that he has faring as well as could be expected. Nancy received that letter also; it, too, is now in her pension file at the State Library and Archives in Austin.

Collin County widow ancestress of Stock Show officer, cont.

Descriptive Roll

D. J. Williamson Private in Capt J. M. Hart's
Company D Burnett's Battalion Sharpshooters
Gen S. B. Mather's Brigade is 25 years old
5 feet 11 1/2 inches high Black Hair Grey Eyes
Fair complexion. Was born in Lincoln county,
Tennessee. Occupation Farmer Enlisted August
the 14/1862 of Capt J. M. Hart in Grayson
county Texas Period 3 years or there over Recd
Bounty and wages up to the 31.12 of Oct. 1862
By Capt C. G. Shelton Pay Master Capt. W. Clothing
Recd. 1 jacket \$9.50 1 cap 2.50 Total \$12.00

I do certify that the above is a true transcript
from the Records of Company D. 1st & 2nd
2nd Det Co B Cannon Detachment
Station Fort Housen A. H. June the 25th 11. 1863

Another remarkable document almost never seen in Confederate pension files is this transcript made from the rolls of Williamson's company. It even contains a physical description and records his exact place of birth. There is a receipt for a pair of shoes written on the back.



Collin County widow is ancestress of Stock Show officer, cont.

From her pension application we know that Mrs. Williamson moved to the Chambliss Community in Collin County about 1863, while her husband was away. Daniel died on March 11, 1866, possibly from the effects of disease or exposure he suffered during the war. If his grave in Collin County was marked, the inscription is no longer readable. Nancy Ann lived a widow until 1915. It seems reasonable that he may be buried in the next grave south of Nancy in Stoney Point Cemetery near Altoga in Collin County.

Stoney Point Cemetery also holds the graves of their daughter, Saphronia (Mr. Rodgers' great-grandmother and her husband), of Mr. Rodgers' paternal grandfather and grandmother, and of Mr. Rodgers' great-grandfather who served in the Union army.



Confederate flag ban removed from proposed legislation on June 23

A provision to prohibit displaying the Confederate flag in national cemeteries was removed from the House's spending package just before the bill passed early Thursday.

Republicans called the vote at 3 a.m. with no formal debate beforehand. The measure, introduced by Rep. Jared Huffman, D-Calif., specifically would have banned flying the flag over mass graves of Civil War dead, or displaying it at all in cemeteries run by the Veterans Affairs Department.

The measure was added to a VA funding bill in May by a vote of 265-159, with only one Democrat opposed and 84 Republicans for it.

Despite the support, the measure was dropped during negotiations with the Senate over a final VA appropriation bill, according to [The Hill](#).



<http://www.newsmax.com/Newsfront/US-confederate-flag-remove-house/2016/06/23/id/735342/>



FOR OUR SIDE

<http://www.politico.com/story/2016/06/congress-confederate-flag-ban-224727>

Annual July 4 Parade in Arlington. We'll ride with the M. T. Johnson Camp on their "float."

The parade starts at 9 a.m. and ends about 11 a.m.

By far, the easiest way to ride in the parade is to park at the shuttle lot and ride the bus to the parade staging area.

Get to the shuttle lot by 8:20 a.m. It's along the north side of West Mitchell Street, between South Davis and South Fielder. It's a short ride to the parade area.

The shuttles start running at 6:30 a.m. and run until long after the parade's over.

When you get to the parade staging area, just walk out until you see the flags. You can march behind the float or ride on the trailer.

If you want to wear a uniform, do it. If you want to bring your musket, do it. Uniform without a coat is okay, too. It's usually very hot.

Just be sure to wave and be friendly to the crowd!





In mid-June Toby, Sandy, and Nathan Pike sent us these photos from their trip to the Vicksburg battlefield. We thank them for sharing their trip with us!

Texas infantry- man dead here 122 years gets his first marker on June 25



Compatriots Trawick and Woodward
did the heavy lifting.



Five of us met Saturday morning for a quick install and then headed for the air conditioning. The installers included, standing, Shane Woodward and Kent Mathews; kneeling, Tom Trawick and Mike Patterson. Tammy Patterson hauled all the stuff to Oakwood and took the photos. Thanks to Sarah Biles of the Oakwood staff for locating and marking the grave for us.



Anyone up for a puzzle?



See next page for some helpful hints for non-computer types.

Back in February 2014 we had the great good fortune to add to our growing number Compatriot Vann Cunningham, who joined on the service of his ancestor, Littleberry Leftwich of Tennessee.

In spite of being quite prominent in his home community near Lynchburg in Moore County, he'd never had a headstone until Compatriot Cunningham decided it was time.

He bought a granite VA clone blank and Vann had the honor and pleasure of helping to engrave the stone himself on August 14.

A few weeks later Vann took the stone to the gravesite in Tennessee and, with several other descendants helping, Mr. Leftwich got the stone for which he'd been waiting 112 years.

Thought this would make a good subject for a puzzle....

“Vann at work”

<http://www.jigsawplanet.com/?rc=play&pid=052315aab086>

How to work “Vann at work.”

1. Go to the website <http://www.jigsawplanet.com/?rc=play&pid=052315aab086>
2. You'll be presented with the photo on the preceding page. **It will be in whatever condition the last person there left it.** May be worked, maybe partially worked....
3. To the upper left of the photo, click on “Play As,” and a menu will descend.
4. Just for grins, click on 24.
5. Then you'll get another screen, where you should click on “Start a New Game.”
6. Next you'll be presented with a version most liberals could do within two or three days, with help, rest, re-education, and consultation from friends.
7. Now go back to “Play As” and try something which would challenge a normal person.
8. You can play around with the controls, change the background color, rotate the pieces and make the puzzle nearly impossible solve, etc.

Let the editor know if you have any trouble getting the puzzle to work and he'll try to get the instructions made clearer.



President of Texas Children of the Confederacy recognizes the Taylor Camp for its interest and help

Last year at the State Reunion we met Zander Shepard and his grandmother. Zander needed help with his President's Project of getting a Confederate veterans uniform and shirt conserved. The project is done, and he recognized the Taylor Camp for its help at the 2016 Texas Children of the Confederacy meeting recently. A substantial part of the funding came in a grant from the Society of the Order of the Southern Cross, of which our adjutant, James Alderman, is also a member.

Taylor Compatriot Sean Partee is now on a deployment to Kuwait as a part of his duties in the U. S. Army Reserves. Please keep him and Christie and their families in your thoughts and prayers.



**ARMY
RESERVE**



At our May meeting we voted to take on the restoration and periodic maintenance of the Bouldin graves in Taylor County. We will drive out one morning this summer to clean the grounds, de-rust and repaint the fence, and generally spruce the place up a bit.

Joe Wade's newest creations. 4" x 4" powder-coated emblems suitable for grave markers, with or without the stake, in your choice of color. This time they're \$25 without the stake, and thirty with the stake. As always, they're laser-cut to absolute perfection.



These durable metal emblems are produced by our friend and compatriot, Joe Wade, of the M. T. Johnson camp in Arlington. He brought one to our March meeting and sold three while there.

They are laser-cut from 1/8" steel plates and are then powder coated using an electrolysis process. Flawless quality through and through. They also come in two other sizes....12"x12" and 24"x24". They may be painted in any color you choose. The smaller ones are 12"ers raw, powder coated any color \$45. The two-footers are \$45 raw, powder coated any color \$60. Call Joe Wade at 817-688-3867.

We appreciate your help!



Thanks to Dan Shaw, Shawn Clark, and Matt Worthington for engraving our next three markers on Monday, June 13.



Thanks to Tammy Patterson for hauling those three markers from Rendon to Colleyville.



Thanks to everyone who showed up at Oakwood on Saturday morning the 25 to set Mr. Herring's stone: Tom Trawick, Shawn Woodward, Kent Mathews, Tammy Patterson, and Mike Patterson. Thanks to Tammy for hauling the stone and all the tools to the cemetery that morning.



Note that we will not be installing a gravestone in July. We already have three dates committed in this month, and there's always the heat to consider.



Our sincerest thanks, in advance to everyone who will be coming out to Boonsville on July 23 to help us pay tribute to Mike Stark and his family. Even if you don't have a uniform or a musket, please come.

The Virginia Flaggers

Return the Flags ~ Restore the Honor



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One for our side

Hampton School Board votes against renaming two schools

"The Hampton School Board voted unanimously Wednesday not to move forward with renaming Jefferson Davis Middle School and The Campus at Lee. Board members discussed public feedback and said that most of those they heard from opposed changing the schools' names.

*"Every person that I talked to did not support changing the names of the schools," said board member Joe Kilgore. Some residents at earlier public hearings said the community needs to remember the past, even the uncomfortable parts. Others argued the division has more important things to focus on. In May, a civil rights group **demanded that the schools be renamed.***

"These two individuals represent hatred and bigotry and racial division," said Andrew Shannon, President of the Peninsula Chapter of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference, at a prior meeting. Shannon made a final push before the board voted Wednesday.

"Stop the glorification of evil ... Remove the name," he said. School board chair Martha Mugler said the board will not establish a committee to consider the request to rename the schools.

"If the community had come out resoundingly for us to move forward and do that, we would have impaneled a committee to consider names," Mugler said. "That's not what we heard from our citizens."

Despite the unanimous vote against renaming, Shannon remained optimistic. "I feel good because of the fact that we stirred the consciousness in the city of Hampton and we understand that justice may be delayed but not denied," he said.

Shannon said the schools should be named after African-American Hampton Roads leaders like Dr. Mary Christian and Edna Davis. According to an email obtained by 10 On Your Side, Hampton PTA members also voted not to rename the schools."

<http://vaflaggers.blogspot.com/>

Go to the Virginia Flaggers blog page every day or so. There's no way this monthly newsletter can keep up with all they do.

The Virginia Flaggers

Return the Flags ~ Restore the Honor



The Va Flaggers wish to thank all who made this possible, especially our special donors who have provide the flags, and the flag crew in Danville who have worked so hard to install and maintain the 15 new flags that have been raised *since the Danville City Council voted to remove one tiny Third National* from the Confederate Monument on the grounds of the Last Capital of the Confederacy last August.

Meanwhile, the Heritage Preservation Association (HPA) is in its fourth month of flagging the Last Capital. Support is growing each week, and the HPA invites you to join them THIS Saturday, at 10:00 am, as they forward the colors in at the Danville Museum of Fine Arts and History.



Coming soon...

July 4

**Ride in the Arlington
Parade with the M.
T. Johnson Camp.
Details elsewhere in
this issue.**

July 13-17

**National SCV
Reunion in
Richardson, Texas
See separate pages in
this issue**

July 23

**Help us honor our
deceased
compatriot Mike
Stark, Jr., at
Boonsville
Cemetery**

July 28

**Monthly meeting of
the E. W. Taylor
SCV camp.
Eat at 6
Meet at 7**



Mid-August Mark grave of William J. Burford (1812-1878) CSA vet in M. T. Johnson Plantation Cemetery in Arlington

August 25 Monthly meeting of the E. W. Taylor SCV Camp

Mid-September Install replacement marker for Dr. W. P. Burts, (1827-1895), CSA vet and first mayor of Fort Worth, Oakwood Cemetery

September 29 Monthly meeting of the E. W. Taylor Camp

Mid-October Install replacement marker for Silas Poe (1839-1866), CSA vet in Johnson Station Cemetery in Arlington

October 27 Monthly meeting of E. W. Taylor SCV Camp and officer elections for 2017-2018



Shawn Clark, of Worthington Monuments, adds William M. Thompson's name to the black granite Police and Firefighters' Memorial in Fort Worth's Trinity Park. Thompson died in 2014 from injuries sustained many years ago.

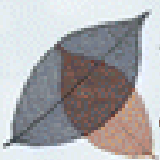
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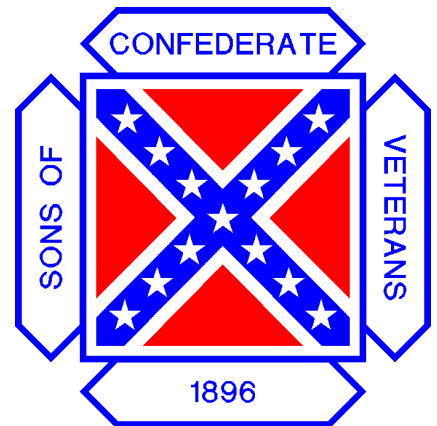
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for which we
fought. To your
strength will be given
the defense
of the Confederate
soldier's good name,
the guardianship of
his history, the
emulation of his
virtues, the
perpetuation of those
principles which he
loved and which you
love also, and those
ideals which made
him glorious and
which you also
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duty to see that the
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