



# Col. E. W. Taylor Camp #1777 **NEWSLETTER**

SONS OF CONFEDERATE VETERANS

April.....2018



This program  
will be  
presented by  
our Lt.  
Commander,  
Compatriot  
Ron Turner.  
Join us for a  
fun and  
enlightening  
evening!

April Program: WBTS Trivia. Thurs., April 26.

**CONFEDERATE LIVES STILL MATTER**

# Colonel E. W. Taylor SCV Camp #1777 (Bedford, Texas)



Commander: Chuck Marks (817) 703-6195

Adjutant: James Alderman (817) 605-0538

Meets: Last Thursday of the month Jan - Oct at 7:00 pm

*(if planning to eat please arrive by 6:00 pm)*

Location: *Catfish Company Restaurant @ 900 Airport Fwy, Hurst, TX 76054 (817) 581-3912*

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Visitors & Counting!

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## Who are we? That's easy to see!!!

<http://www.taylorcampscv.org/>

Go to our website and start looking at our newsletters, beginning with the most recent and working back. Contact us at [mfpchat@yahoo.com](mailto:mfpchat@yahoo.com)

**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 the 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 would 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.**

# An update interesting to us all

From: Cindy Harriman, Texas Civil War Museum

To: Friends [March 23, 2018]

Re: Lee Statue and Dallas City Council

Dear All:

Many of you this week may have seen us on the TV news, heard me on the radio, or read newspaper articles where Ray [Richey] and I were quoted about the Dallas Robert E. Lee Statue. The publicity has been good and non-stop for a few days. I wanted to give you all the latest information as we know it so you may speak with authority if you are asked about the process.

In September, 2017 the Dallas City Council voted to remove the Lee Statue from Lee Park. The Park was renamed Oaklawn Park. The statue has been in storage in an airplane hangar. The Cultural Arts Department inspected it and crated it to make sure there would be no damage while in storage. Its value is \$950,000.

The city appointed a Task Force to make recommendations about what should be done with all of the Confederate symbols in the City. This was hotly debated over several weeks in the fall. They gave their recommendations to the City Council which then were given to the city's Cultural Arts Department to see if any and what could be implemented. Over several months, the CAD researched histories, evaluated art and context, and determined prices about each of the Task Force suggestions.

This brings us to current day. On Friday, March 21, the Cultural Arts presented their findings to the Council. Lee Statue be moved to Texas Civil War Museum and be placed on a long term loan. By not selling it, or giving it away, it could be protected from falling into the wrong hands and prevent it from being used as propaganda. TCWM is agreeable to have it here so it can still be viewed by the public. No terms or agreement have been started because we have to await the City Council vote that could occur in 3 weeks or 6 weeks.

Other recommendations from CAD that differed from the Task Force were to leave all Confederate Symbols at the State Fair Grounds. Take Task Force recommendations to recreate the 1936 Hall of Negro Life as a permanent exhibit. Thus, instead of removing history, add additional history and replace past history.

Rather than removing street names of all Confederates, leave the ones who were city leaders in Dallas, before and after the war. Rename those that have no connection to the city Dallas. Both Task Force and Cultural Arts agreed to add historical markers of Jim Crow era events which depict the more diverse history in Dallas.

Lastly, the UDC war memorial monument downtown, which was erected in 1898 poses problems for removal. It sits among graves in a cemetery on a small plat that does not allow removal equipment to reach the monument. The area is designated as a historical property. The cost to remove is \$500,000 and due to the size there is no place for it to go. It is 6 stories tall. The statues that accompany it are made of marble and were made in Italy. The Task Force wants it removed or destroyed, the Cultural Arts Department wants it to remain and add interpretive signage which would only cost \$25,000.

There is much discussion still to come. The TCWM is not part of the discussion until we learn the decision of the Dallas City Council. I will keep you updated when there is something to update.

# Dallas Morning News *affiliate* does online survey about Confederate Monuments there



This survey is actually being done by the “*Dallas News*,” a special-interest affiliate of the “*Dallas Morning News*.” As of Friday morning, March 30, it was still online and available. Judging from the response they’re getting, which is opposed to the editorialist’s position, it may not make it until our next newsletter date. In case it survives that long, it may be seen at:

<https://www.dallasnews.com/opinion/commentary/2018/03/20/poll-dallas-remaining-confederate-memorial>

## Dallas Morning News affiliate survey, cont.

### What should Dallas do with its remaining Confederate memorial?

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- Remove the memorial that is in front of the convention center as planned, despite the cost and possibility of damage. **3.66%** **240**
  - Leave the memorial in place and add signs to explain historical context. **31.94%** **2,094**
  - Leave the memorial as-is, no signs, nothing. **61.24%** **4,015**
  - Topple the memorial like a Saddam Hussein statue. **3.16%** **207**
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**Vote!**

**View Results**

In case it's taken down before our next newsletter's release, here were the four choices. The percentages in red and total votes were current as of 9:07 a.m., Friday, March 30. We're tempted to create a survey of our own about the Dallas Morning News, done on this same juvenile, sarcastic level.

# April is Confederate History Month, in Texas at Least.

*Only five other states have one: Florida, Alabama, Mississippi, Louisiana, and Georgia.*

Join the  
Taylor  
Camp for  
our CHM  
observance  
in Fort  
Worth's  
Oakwood  
Cemetery on  
Saturday  
morning,  
April 14, at  
10 a.m.



**Original painting by Texan John Paul Strain**

Unparalleled talent and attention to detail. Note even the distant turkey vulture holding his wings in the correct soaring dihedral angle.

# An Opportunity for Service

Saturday, April 14, 2018 at 10 a.m.



Thanks to the  
Sons of  
Confederate  
Veterans and the  
Society of the  
Order of the  
Southern Cross



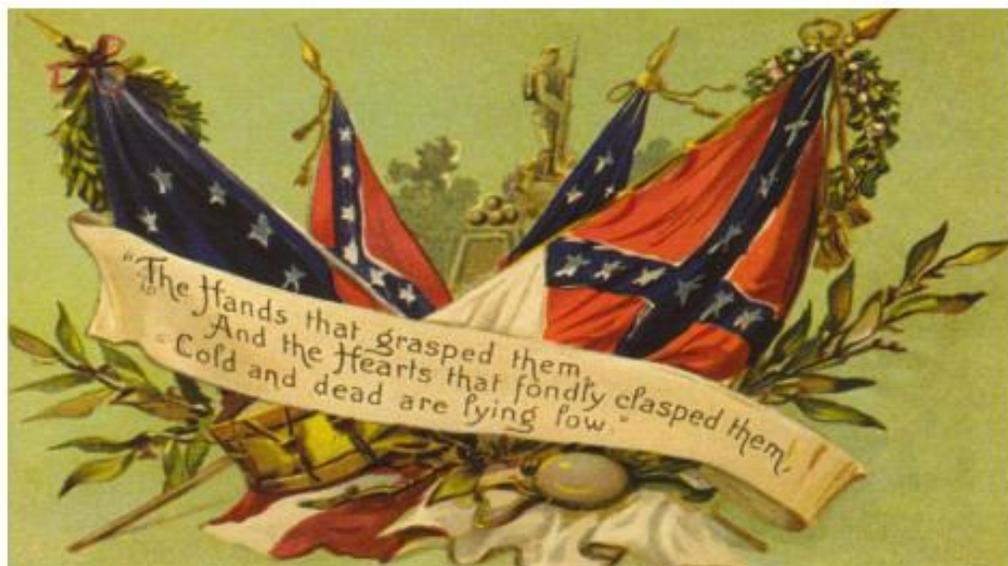
**Please join us in whatever function you can at Fort Worth's Oakwood Cemetery at the time and date above. If you can come in uniform and help us fire a musket salute, that's what we need most. If you can come otherwise and can bring one or more lawn chairs, that's good too.**

Another group will be there as our guests, the Julia Jackson #141 Camp of the United Daughters of the Confederacy. We may have members of the Black Rose and the Order of the Confederate Rose there as well. Calvin Allen's Third Brigade mounted color guard and the North Texas Color Guard are also planning to attend.

The UDC has an original Confederate Iron Cross grave marker to dedicate in Soldier's Row beside the old statue. Their ceremony is to begin at eleven a.m. and they've asked as many of our compatriots as possible to remain and help them in their ceremony as well.

**On our part, we'll be dedicating our sixth Confederate grave marker from our recent grant from the Society of the Order of the Southern Cross.** This will be to honor 1<sup>st</sup> Lt. James L. Lee of Co. C, 16<sup>th</sup> Louisiana Infantry, who died in Fort Worth in 1886 and is still waiting for his first gravestone. More information about him appears on page 10 of this newsletter.

**The R. E. Lee, Sons of Confederate Veterans, Camp #239  
Invites you to attend the 8<sup>th</sup> Annual  
★Confederate Heritage Banquet★**



**Location: White Settlement's Splash Dayz Banquet Room  
8905 Clifford Street, White Settlement, TX 76108  
Business Casual Dress or Uniforms Requested**

**Order your tickets today, space is limited!!**

**Ticket Price: \$30.00 for singles or \$50.00 for couples  
April 14, 2018 at 6:00 PM ~ doors open at 5:00PM**

**♪ Music by Old Time String Band Buttermilk Junction ♪**

**Texas Bar-B-Que, Awards, Silent Auction and Fellowship**

**Special Guest Presentation by author, lecturer Pastor John Weaver**

**"Will the real Lincoln please stand up"**

**Deadline to purchase tickets is April 9th**

**Contact Festus Allcock or Barry Turnage for Information, Mailing Address  
for tickets Joe Allcock 12075 FM 730 N. Azle, Texas 76020  
Cash or Check only! Checks Payable to: R E Lee Camp 239**

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817-454-1953**

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## Rockwall Cavalry Camp #2203 Meeting Invitation - 09APR2018



Rockwall Cavalry Camp #2203 cordially invites all SCV members and their guests to join us at our April 9th meeting.

Guest speaker will be *Johnnie Lee Holley* speaking on his candidacy for Commander-in-Chief and other recent SCV events.

**Rockwall Cavalry Camp #2203**

**Date: April 9th**

**Dinner: 6:00 PM**

**General Meeting: 7:00 PM**

Location ([Click here for map](#))

Soulman's BBQ

691 I-30

Rockwall, TX 75087

We anticipate a large turnout for this event. If you have questions or would like to reserve a table, please contact Camp Commander David Rediger at [rediger@rockwallcavalry.org](mailto:rediger@rockwallcavalry.org)

*Deo Vindice,*

*David Rediger*

*Camp Commander*

*Rockwall Cavalry Camp #2203*

[\*rediger@rockwallcavalry.org\*](mailto:rediger@rockwallcavalry.org)

***In our last issue, we made you aware of a local opportunity to hear one of the two candidates for Commander-in-Chief of the National SCV. Here's a chance to see and hear the other one, though not quite as close-in.***

# THE CITY.

## AT REST.

Done With the Hardships of this Life,  
"Cap" Lee Crosses to the Other Shore.

At 6 o'clock yesterday afternoon, J. L. Lee, better known as "Cap" Lee, breathed his last. He was stricken with paralysis at 4 p. m., Tuesday evening, and was taken to the Lindell hotel, where kind-hearted friends did all that was possible to make his last hours peaceful. The stricken man was unable to speak intelligibly after the blow had fallen, and so passed tranquilly away to the great beyond.

But "Cap" Lee dreaded not death. He had faced it out, with all the gallantry and chivalry of a knight of old to whom fear was an unknown word. He was a North Carolinian by birth. Going to Shreveport he joined the Confederate service, when the civil war broke out, as a member of the Caddo Fusiliers, Sixteenth Louisiana regiment, and made a noble record. Men who served with him bear testimony to-day that in all the Southern army there was no braver man than J. L. Lee, none better loved, none freer from blame. So heroically did he conduct himself that he was promoted on the field of battle to the lieutenantcy of his company.

He was afterwards employed on the Caddo Gazette, of which Mr. Robert Lowe, now manager of the Galveston News, was part owner. Drifting to Texas he has worked on numerous papers and was widely known as a skilled compositor. Everybody knew him in Fort Worth, as he has lived here off and on for many years, and everybody knew that he had seen better days; and the hearts of those who knew him best went out in sympathy for the man whom they knew had never in the tenderness of a chivalric nature, harmed any being save himself.

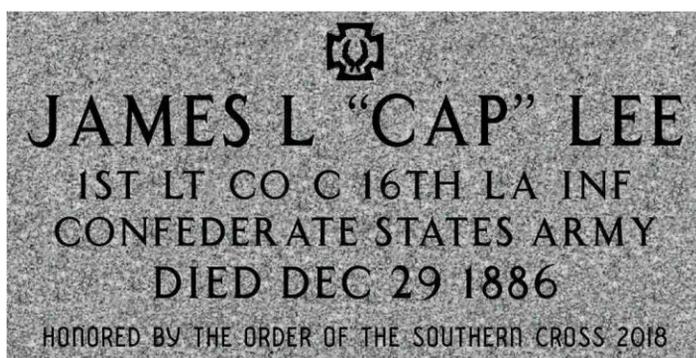
He will be buried by the Typographical union of this city, of which he was a member, at 4 o'clock to-day, in the new cemetery. Over in the realms of the unseen and unknowable, whither his spirit has fled, may there be peace for the soul of "Cap" Lee.

## Popular newspaper man, Confederate veteran dead since 1886 to get first marker April 14.



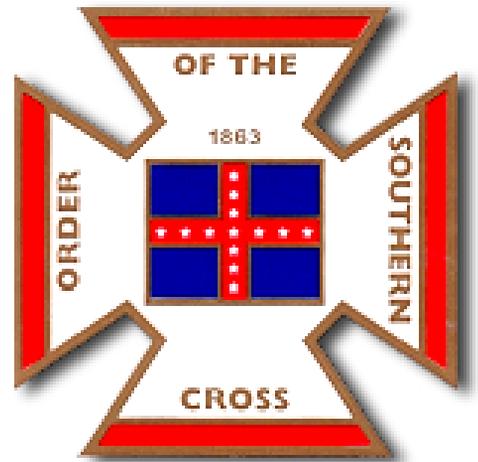
The obituary of Mr. Lee at left appeared on December 30, 1886 in the *Fort Worth Daily Gazette*. Mr. Lee enlisted in the Confederate army on Sept. 29, 1861 at Camp Moore, Louisiana. Camp Moore is open to the public, administered by the Camp Moore Historical Association and is on the National Register of Historic Places. Mr. Lee's regiment fought in a number of battles, the first and most famous of which was the Battle of Shiloh.

The stone below will be dedicated in Fort Worth's Oakwood Cemetery during a 10 a. m. ceremony on April 14.



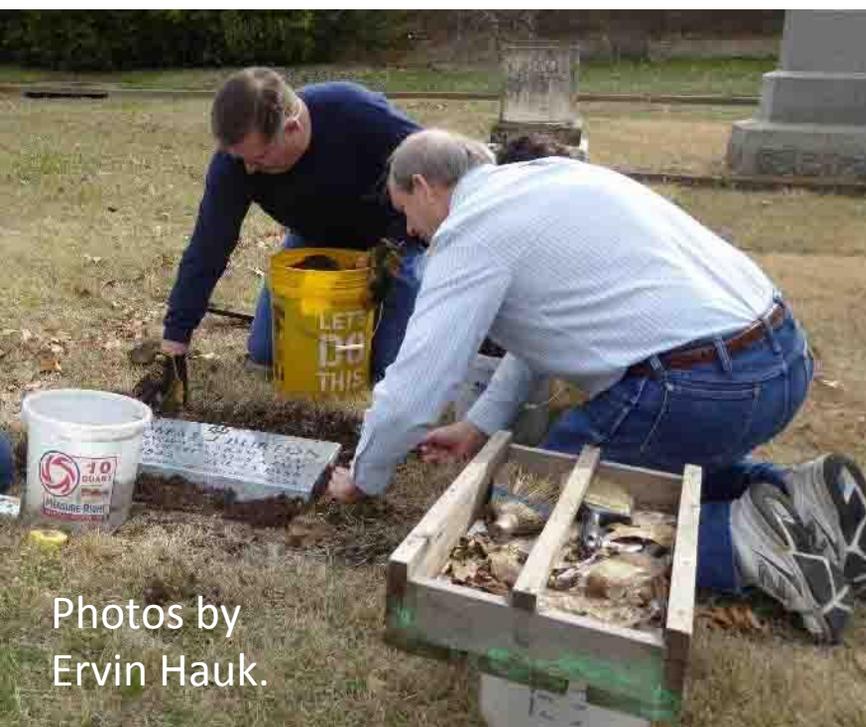
# Pioneer's Rest Confederate, one of the last survivors, finally gets a marker after 70+ years

*Thanks to the Order of the Southern Cross and some dedicated Taylor Campers, Thomas J. Burton got his marker on March 10.*



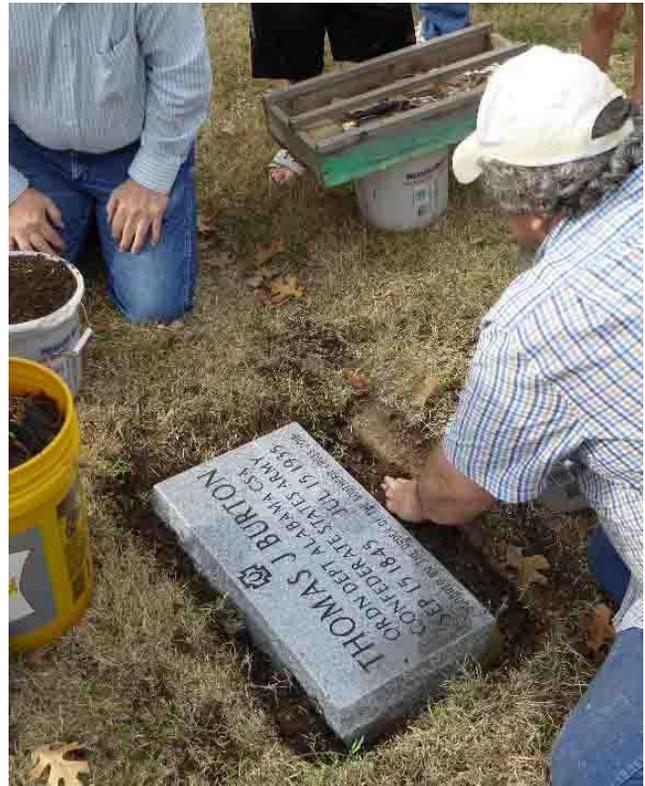
**# 5 with our OSC grant!**

Thanks to Tarrant County Historical Commission member Ervin Hauk for arranging for us to get the gate open at Pioneer's Rest, and for taking these excellent photos and those on the next page as well.

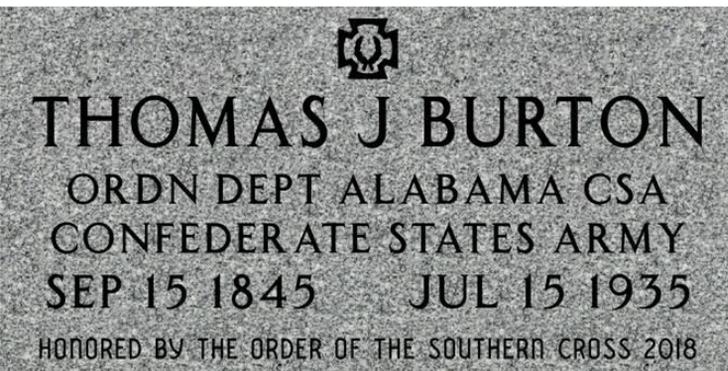


Photos by Ervin Hauk.

# Thomas J. Burton, cont.



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The installers are shown at right. They are, standing l-r, Ron Turner, Bobby Gresham, and James Alderman. Waiting to be helped up are, l-r, Mike Patterson and Clay Fitzhugh.

All photos on this and the preceding page are by Ervin Hauk.

See our March issue for information on Mr. Burton.



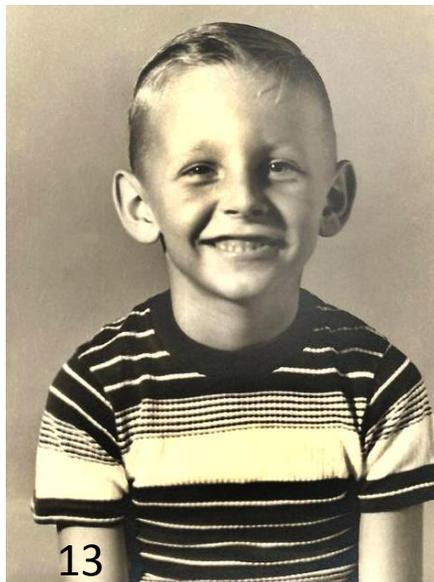
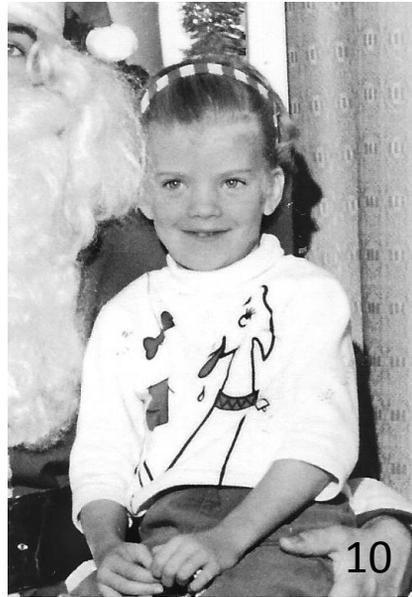
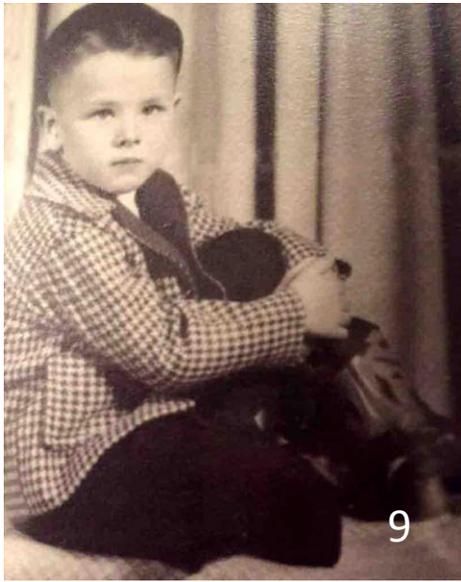
# In case you missed the March meeting...

*we thought you might be interested in these photos from the past*

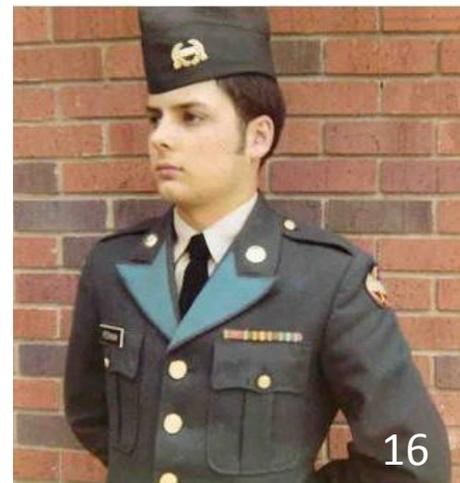


Here and on the next page are the kid pics of our members and their significant others who let us have a peek into their past at our March show. See page sixteen for their names.

# March meeting, cont.

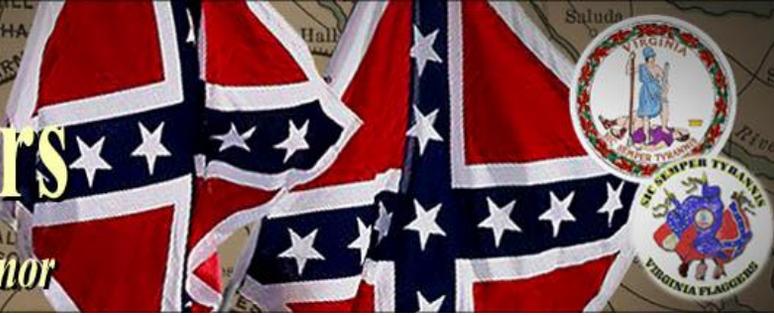


Some folks added to the fun by submitting multiple pictures. Space doesn't allow us to run all of them. Thanks to everyone who took part !



# The Virginia Flaggers

Return the Flags ~ Restore the Honor

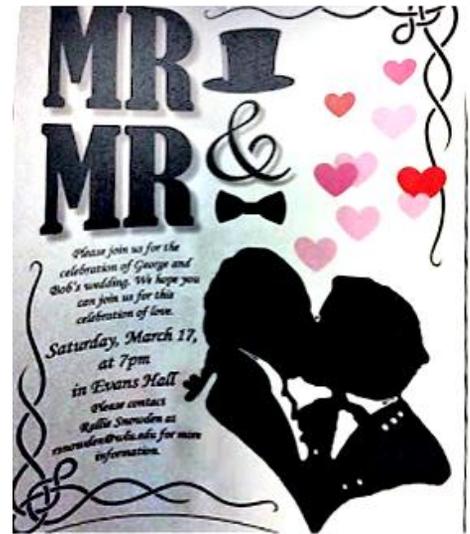


<http://vaflaggers.blogspot.com/>

Check their site often, and consider being a monthly contributor.

*Go to their site. Read the stories and see all the other photos.*

**March 26, 2018:  
Washington and Lee  
“University Gala” Features  
Mock Gay Wedding of  
Robert E. Lee and George  
Washington**

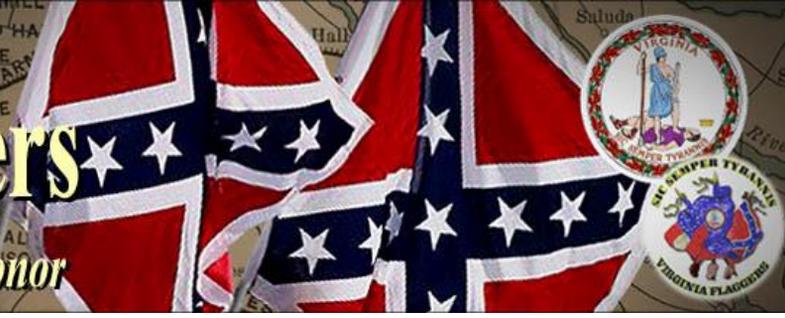


**February 28, 2018:  
The tarps are down....for  
good this time! In a move  
that caught us by  
surprise, city workers  
removed both tarps at  
6:00 a.m. this morning,  
before the official order  
could be written or the 15  
day countdown begun.  
Lee and Jackson ride  
again!**



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Tuesday, March 27, 2018

## "Southern Avenger" Convicted, Sentenced to Jail Time for Charlottesville Tarp Removals



Kid pics ID's: 1. Chuck Marks, 2. Morgan Tittle, 3. Tim Pringle, 4. Vann Cunningham, 5. Linda Wade, 6. Richard McCook, 7. Mike Patterson, 8. Ja Ann Alderman, 9. Joe Wade, 10. Tammy Patterson, 11. David Stewart, 12. James Alderman, 13. Ron Turner, 14. Marilyn Patterson, 15. Terry Theiss, 16. Clay Fitzhugh

**2018 Texas SCV Reunion**  
**June 8, 2018 - June 10, 2018**  
**Fredonia Hotel**  
**200 North Fredonia Street**  
**Nacogdoches, Texas 75961**  
**936-564-1234**  
**<http://txdivreunion.com/>**



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SCV Compatriots,

Some folks have reported that they were told there are no more rooms available at The Fredonia Hotel for the dates of the Texas Division Reunion. That simply is not true. If you try to register and are told there are no rooms available, please get the person's name (or if by the hotel's online reservation system), please contact *Norma Holley at 903-522-1903* ASAP so she can help straighten out things for you.

Regards,

*Lee R Lance*

*3d Lt Commander*

*Texas Division, SCV*

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# **Fort Worth Civil War Roundtable Events**

## **Fort Worth Civil War Round Table 2017-2018 Season**

**April 10 The Civil War We Don't Know, Lt. Col. (Ret.) Ralph Peters, Author, Commentator, and Historian**

**May 8 A Terrible Glory: Custer and the Little Bighorn, Jim Donovan, Author and Historian**

Again, this year we will be holding our meetings at the University of North Texas Health Science Center in Fort Worth. We will be in the same meeting room in the Medical Education Training building at 1000 Montgomery Street.

We need a count of meals for the caterer. So please respond to me, Jim Rosenthal, by email, phone call (cell 817-307-9263) or text to RSVP. As always, if you do not plan on eating dinner, you are welcome to attend the program starting at 7 PM.



# The Abbeville Institute

*A nearly-inexhaustible resource for learning the truth.*



## The Abbeville Institute

**Supporting What Is True  
and Valuable in the  
Southern Tradition**

Take a look at the site and see the wide range of materials there.

<https://www.abbevilleinstitute.org/>

The Abbeville Institute was founded in 2002 by a group of scholars in history, literature, philosophy, religion, and other disciplines who conducted a conference on “Modernity and the Southern Tradition” at the University of Virginia. They were concerned that the Southern tradition is no longer taught in colleges and universities except as a function of the ideological needs of others. <https://www.abbevilleinstitute.org/blog/true-grit-as-a-reconstruction-story/>

With few exceptions, the Southern tradition is presented as little more than the story of racism and slavery. Eugene Genovese, a distinguished historian of the South—a Northerner and a man of the left—has been a rare voice in criticizing this effort to purge the Southern tradition and its symbols from the American landscape.

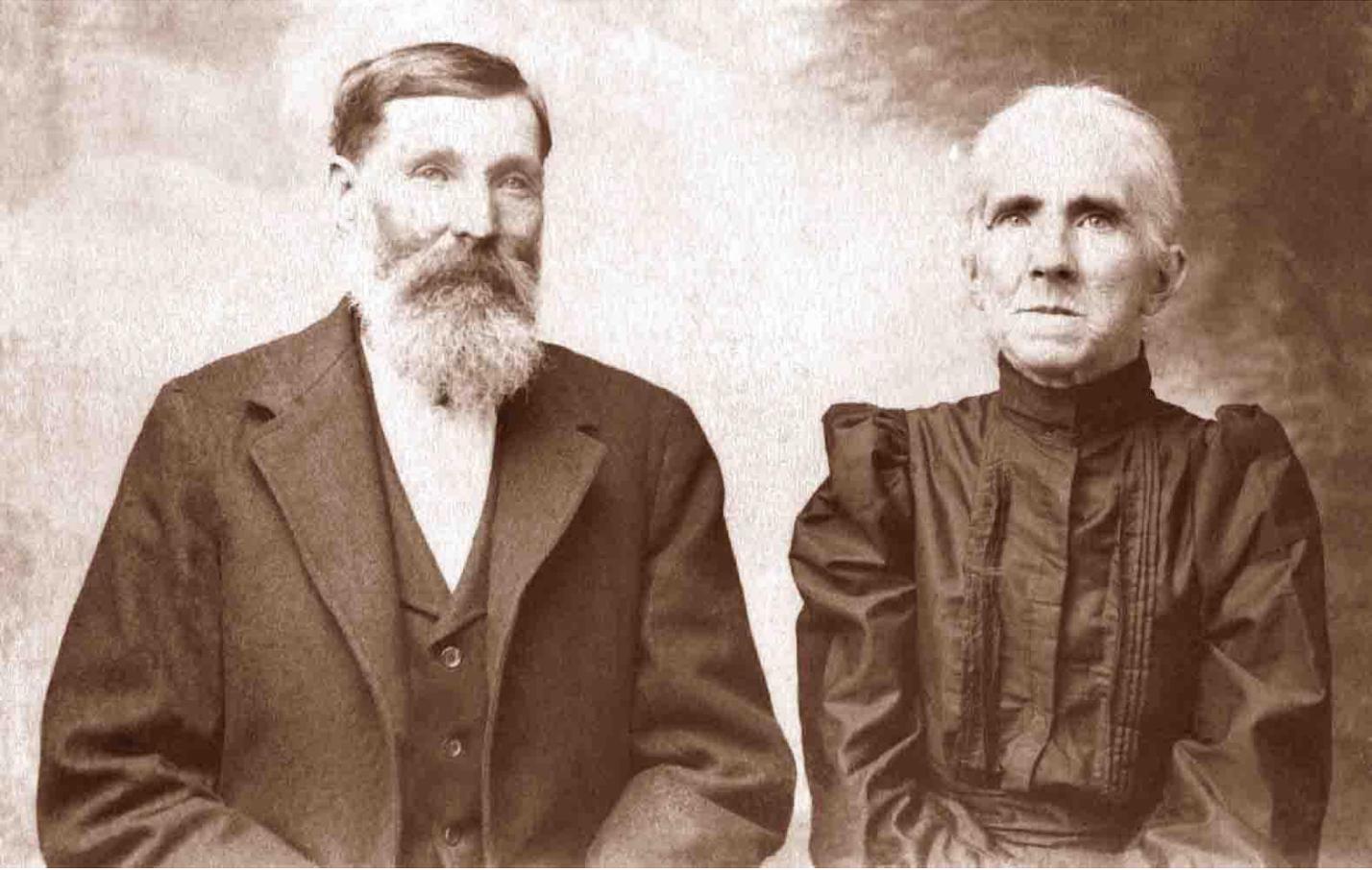


Read some interesting notes by Philip Leigh about two popular movies at the site:

<https://www.abbevilleinstitute.org/blog/true-grit-as-a-reconstruction-story/>

# Local Confederate who survived the War 67 years was familiar face in area now Grapevine/Southlake

*Pvt. James Knox Polk Lowe, Co. D, 39<sup>th</sup> Georgia Infantry*



It would probably be a safe bet that President George Washington has had more people named for him than any other U. S. President. Thomas Jefferson would probably come in second. James Knox Polk would almost certainly be high on the list.

Oddly, Polk wasn't in political office on Dec. 22, 1842 or 1843 when Lowe was born. At the time,

Polk had just been soundly defeated in his *second* bid for a second term as governor of Tennessee. He had served one term in 1839-1841.

Polk had done distinguished service in the U. S. House of Representatives from Tennessee, beginning in 1825 and ending in 1839. The last four of those years he was US House Speaker.

Getting to know our local Confederates

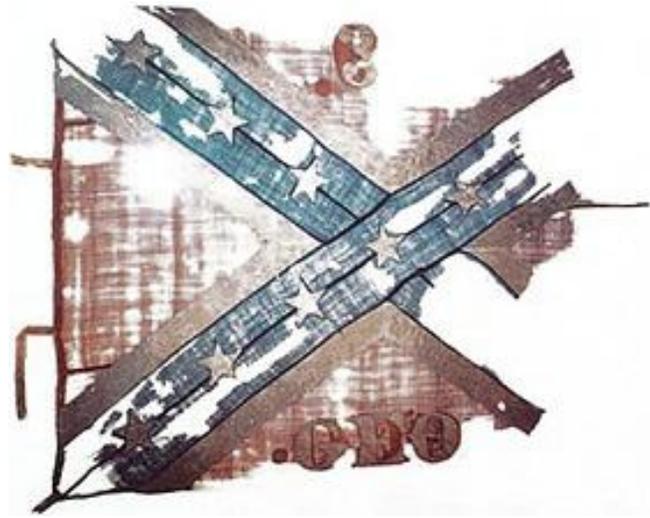
## James Knox Polk Lowe, cont.

Polk wasn't elected President until November of 1844, when Mr. Lowe was probably taking his first shaky steps as a toddler. Even though Lowe was born in Dade County, Georgia, when folks in that county and adjacent Walker County went to "town" it was to Chattanooga, Tennessee. It was by far the closest thing to a "city" they could easily reach. So Tennessee matters probably were prominent in the newspapers they were able to read.

In addition, both Mr. Lowe's parents were natives of Tennessee and were married in that state while Polk was serving as U. S. Speaker of the House.

Mr. Lowe grew up along the eastern flank of Lookout Mountain in Dade County. He served in Co. D, 39th Georgia Infantry, having enlisted at Trenton, the seat of Dade County, Georgia, in 1862. His first battle was at Baker's Creek, Mississippi. His last battle was at Jonesboro, where he was paroled. He surrendered near Blackstock, North Carolina with a part of Johnston's army in April 1865.

Remarkably, one of the 39<sup>th</sup> Georgia's battle flags has survived (above right), and Mr. Lowe must certainly have seen it many times. This flag has an interesting history since the end of the War, and it has a Fort Worth connection, having stayed here for several years in the possession of the man who secreted it off the battlefield at War's end. A separate article in this newsletter will provide some of the details.



J. K. P. Lowe was twice married. His first wife was Bettie L. Wilkinson, who was born in 1842 in Tennessee. They were married on March 1, 1868. Her brother, Benjamin Marvice Wilkinson, was also one of our Northeast Tarrant County Confederates; he died here in 1907 and is buried in Whites Chapel Cemetery in Southlake.

Polk and Bettie Lowe left Georgia and came to the Whites Chapel Community in 1869. He told his great grandson, E. L. Lowe Jr., that he picked that land because of the large native trees needed to build his cabin and for the deer that he could shoot from his front porch. After having two children with Mr. Lowe, she died here about the end of 1872. One family tradition says she died of pneumonia three weeks after the birth of her second son on October 19. Her name is on a marker in Lonesome Dove Cemetery with her husband's and his second wife's. There are no dates on it.

# James Knox Polk Lowe, cont.

Having two small sons to look after, Mr. Lowe was remarried about 1874 to Columbia Lee Garrett, a native of Smith County, Tennessee born in 1846. She was known here as “Lummie.” She and Mr. Lowe had five daughters of their own. Their first child died here on October 15, 1875 and has a readable stone at Whites Chapel (below). The last daughter lived until 1977.

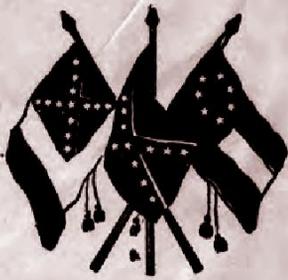


By the time the census was taken here in 1870, the Lowe's had a farm of seventy-five acres, and had already managed to improve eight acres of it. Their farm was worth \$300, and they owned farming equipment worth \$10. They owned a mule, two milk cows, and five hogs.

Lowe and a neighbor, John Bailey (also one of our local Confederates), teamed up and had a cotton gin on what is now North White's Chapel Road. Later, Lowe owned his own gin, which was steam-powered. By 1880 the Lowes were well-established in their new Texas home.

In 1895, the Lowes lived in present-day Southlake along the north side of FM 1709 about one-quarter mile east of its intersection with today's Byron Nelson Parkway. He may also have lived for a time south of present-day FM 1709 along White's Chapel Road.

Mr. Lowe submitted a short account of his Confederate service to Mamie Yeary which appeared in her classic book, *Reminiscences of the Boys in Gray* (1912). In addition to information found in his official military records, Lowe furnished these details of his service. He *"...was transferred to Vicksburg in the spring of 1863 to assist in the defense of that city, where I was taken prisoner on July 4, 1863. Was paroled and went home, returning to the army when exchanged. Was promoted to corporal in 1863 during the Siege of Vicksburg. Was in the battles of Tazewell, Richmond, Baker's Creek, siege of Vicksburg, Lookout Mountain, Missionary Ridge and the*



UNITED CONFEDERATE VETERANS  
DESCRIPTIVE LIST

Fort Worth, Texas, Dec 22, 1904

Name James P. Lowe

When and Where Born Dec. 22, 1842 Wade County Ga,

When and Where Enlisted Tonnonton Ga. March 1862

Rank Private Company D. Regiment 39<sup>th</sup> Ga Inf Brigade Cummings

Division Stevenson's Corps Hardens Army Tenn.

SIGN THIS, AND GIVE NAMES OF TWO REFERENCES REMARKS

(Under this head will be included changes in Commands, important battles in which engaged, and other important facts connected with your CONFEDERATE record.)

The first Battle I was in was Bakers Creek Miss  
Vicksburg Miss, was surrendered in this  
battle exchanged Sept-1863, next battle was Mission  
ary Ridge in the campaign from Dalton to  
Jonesboro, from Ga. to Tenn in both battles  
of Franklin, the last battle was Jones  
bros battle, and was paroled at this place,

Ref.  
G. H. Guess  
H. H. Austin

J. P. Lowe

This is the documentation Mr. Lowe submitted in 1904 when he joined the R. E. Lee UCV Camp here in 1904.

I can heartily commend Mr. Lowe as  
a true gentleman in every sense,  
J. S. Lipscomb

## James Knox Polk Lowe, cont.



*Georgia campaign to Atlanta, and then the campaign under Hood, back to Tennessee at Spring Hill, Franklin, and Nashville, and then to Greensboro, N. C. where we surrendered.”*

He was among the lucky few settlers who came to Texas and were able to go back East on a visit in his old age. In the photo above, he is seated at the right.

The others in the photo are his siblings and/or their spouses.

The second Mrs. Lowe died of a probable stroke at her home near Grapevine on March 9, 1923.

J. K. P. Lowe waited until 1930 to apply for a Confederate pension. It was

## James Knox Polk Lowe, cont.

### J. P. LOWE, EARLY SETTLER, BURIED AT DOVE FRIDAY

Funeral services were held at the Dove on last Friday for J. P. Lowe, age 89, well-to-do land owner and one of the early settlers of this section, who died at his home near Grapevine, Thursday of last week, March 17, of heart disease after an illness of several months. Services were conducted by Rev. J. B. Seaberry and burial was in the Dove Cemetery.

Mr. Lowe served through the Civil War with the Thirty-ninth Georgia Regiment, recruited from the State in which he was born, and turned westward during the Reconstruction Period to make his new home in Texas. He came to Tarrant County and settled near Grapevine in 1869.

Survivors are three brothers, William of Oklahoma, and George and John Lowe of Alabama; two sisters, Mrs. D. B. Robinson of Fort Worth and Mrs. Lassiter of Alabama; two sons, John of Grapevine, and Luke Lowe of Kendrick, Okla., and four daughters, Mrs. Mollie Cross and Mrs. Willie Guess of Fort Worth, and Misses Mattie and Missie Lowe of Grapevine. There are also twenty grand children and twenty-four great grandchildren.

granted to him in short order.

He died of heart disease at his home in present-day Southlake on March 17, 1932.

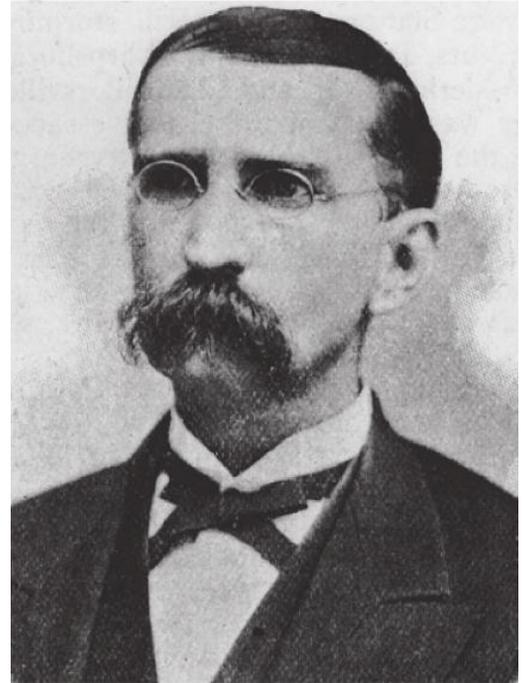
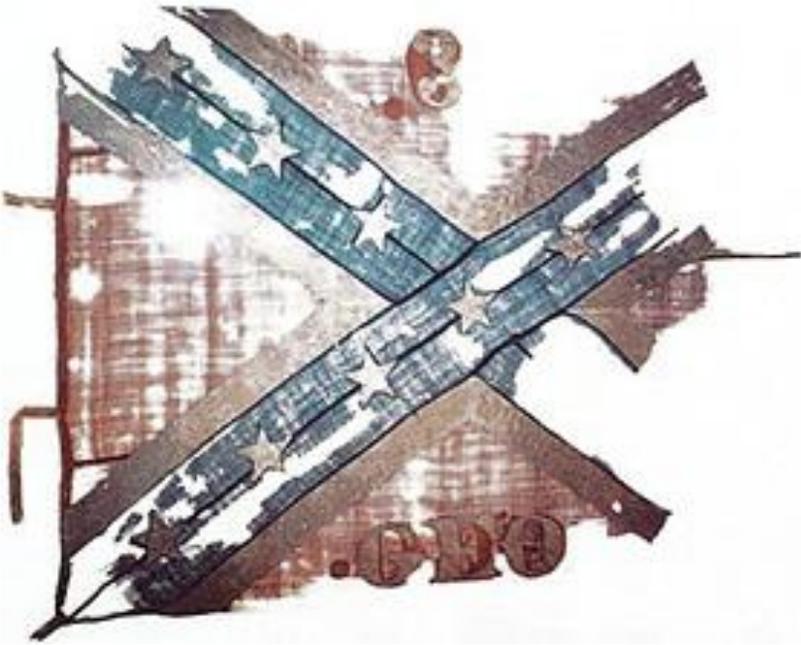
Mr. Lowe's obituary appeared in *The Grapevine Sun* on March 24, 1932 (right) He was buried in Lonesome Dove Cemetery with a headstone with no dates (below).



Getting to know our local Confederates

# Many locals fought under Battle Flag with interesting rescue and preservation story

*Captain of a Georgia regiment who died in Fort Worth walked away from the surrender with it inside his shirt.*



We've always thought it odd that so many veterans of the 39<sup>th</sup> Georgia Infantry wound up here in Tarrant County. One of them was a brother of the veteran under whom your editor joined the SCV years ago.

Captain Samuel Percival Greene (above right) served in more than one company in the regiment and also served in some other offices, including adjutant. When he died in Fort Worth in 1904, he was loved here by all.

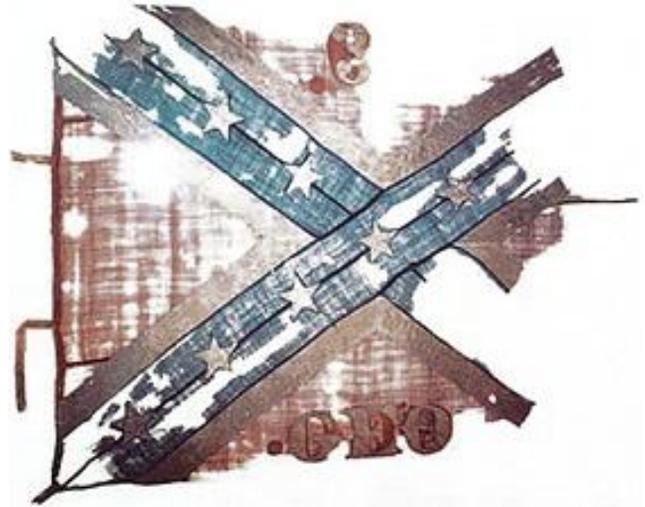
A native of South Carolina, he was born in 1842. By 1877, Mr. Greene had arrived in Fort Worth. In that year, one of his younger sisters, Julia A. Greene, died and was buried in Pioneer's Rest Cemetery. When the 1880 census was taken, he and another sister, Mattie, were living on Weatherford Street in Fort Worth. Mr. Greene was an attorney at law.

# Georgia battle flag, cont.

In 1881 Mr. Greene went into a law partnership in Fort Worth with a colorful attorney who had some shady connections out West. William R. McLaury was the brother of two of the men killed in 1881 in Tombstone, Arizona during the gunfight at the OK Corral. After receiving a telegram in Fort Worth about the shootings, McLaury went to Tombstone to help in the prosecution of the Earp brothers and Doc Holliday. He was a person-of-interest in both the later revenge shootings of Morgan and Virgil Earp. In the 1890's he moved to Oklahoma and died there in 1913.

In 1882, Samuel P. Greene and his wife, Carrie (also surnamed Greene) were married. She lived until 1922 and was buried beside him in Pioneer's Rest.

The type of battle flag of interest to us here began to be issued to the Army of Tennessee in January 1864. This rectangular flag was based on the square Army of Northern Virginia battle flag. It has a red wool bunting field, blue bunting St. Andrew's Cross with thirteen white stars (appliquéd 3-3/4" stars on both sides) in the blue arms of the St. Andrew's Cross. A fimbriation is 2-1/2 inches wide and inserted into the field. The unit designation is in the top quadrant in 5" letters on both sides and in the bottom quadrant is the state designation. All white material was made from cotton fabric. The staff side has four pairs of wool ties evenly spaced. The size was originally 39" by 52". (Description by Textile Preservation Associates.) This flag was manufactured by the Augusta Clothing Depot by contract.



The regimental designation was probably sewn on after the battle flag was issued. It is currently on display at the Whitfield-Murray County Historical Society in Dalton, Georgia.

**We are privileged to have the story of the flag in Samuel P. Greene's own words.** He wrote a letter in Fort Worth in 1887 which accompanied the flag back to Georgia. This letter was written to the *Dalton [Georgia] Citizen*. It is copied on the next two pages.

We do not normally run articles with text-only pages, out of deference to our members' time and eyesight. Pardon us for this time, since the letter has local connections and is such an interesting first-hand account.

# Georgia battle flag, cont.

*“Fort Worth, TX, August 1887*

*Comrades, it is now more than 22 years since the old 39th stood in line and answered to roll call as Confederate soldiers. Not one of us can ever forget that dark day in April 1865. Then with hearts filled with sadness and despair, we marched into that old field in N.C. and there we stacked those arms with which, through confrontations untold, through freezing cold and scorching heat--amid shot and shell of a hundred battlefields--we had for four long years battled so devotedly for the liberties of our beloved Southland.*

*It was indeed a bitter day, yet in our humiliation we had the proud consciousness that we had done all that man could do, and that we laid down our arms only at the command of our beloved chieftain, Joe Johnston, given when he saw that further effort was worse than useless--then, and not till then, did we yield up those arms, dropped a silent tear into the grave of our Confederacy, and turned our steps toward our desolate homes, and there, with souls still unconquered, rallied all the energies of our manhood and began the struggle of providing bread and meat for our almost starving families.*

*That struggle has scattered us far apart from the Atlantic to the Pacific so that now when the bugle sounds the roll call, some of us are so far away and submerged in that struggle that we cannot answer to the roll call in person; but, comrades, we are with you in spirit with*

*undying love--our souls are knitted together as firmly now as when at Baker's Creek we stood shoulder to shoulder -a single regiment- and received the charge of a whole Division of Federals; as when in the Battle of Chattanooga, we singly twice charged and routed several Federal brigades; as when at New Hope, we sprang as one man into the death hole and reestablished the broken Confederate lines; as when on that dreadful day in Nashville, we stood alone amid the wreck and rout of army with unbroken ranks and answered back the triumphant cheers of the enemy with a true Rebel yell, while General Pettus shouted, "Men, for God's sake, rally on McConnell's old regiment."; as when next day with fragments of our own and another regiment--scarce 600 men in all--we stood in hollow square and for 14 hours held at bay 5,000 Federal Cavalry and gave Hood time to rally his broken army. Men who stood together through scenes like these, and a hundred others in which they ever did their duty to each other and to the cause for which they fought, must ever be a brother near and dear. I say ever did their duty, for we can say, we have a right to say, and say with pride--the old 39th never failed to come up to the full measure of its duty. There is not one blot on her escutcheon-not one page of her history would we hide from review.*

# Georgia battle flag, cont.

*Duty here deprives me of the great pleasure of being with you but I send you, by the hand of our comrade, Capt. John H. King, something I know you will be happy to regain "Our Old Regimental Flag."*

*When I received orders to form the regiment for surrender, I could not find it in my heart to give up the old flag to the enemy, so I took it from the staff, wrapped it around my body under my clothing, and carried it out and have ever since preserved it among my choicest treasures. I send it to you now just as it was then, all rent and torn, by shot and shell and begrimed by the smoke of battle, a living proof of what the regiment which followed it has done. I know you will cherish it as I have done.*

*Comrades, the war is long since over and we are all peaceable citizens of the United States--true and loyal to the government of our fathers, the more so now that those great principles for which*

*we fought have regained the ascendancy in the councils of government, and many of those noble and gallant men who then met us on the battlefield as enemies, now stand with us as friends and brethren.*

*It in no way detracts from our loyalty that we should cherish the memories and associations which cluster about this tattered banner--memories and associations born in those days which tried our souls.*

*I trust you will all be spared to meet again next year, and that I will have the happiness to be with you. And now in spirit I grasp each of you by the hand and pray that the Lord our God will bless and keep you in health and prosperity.*

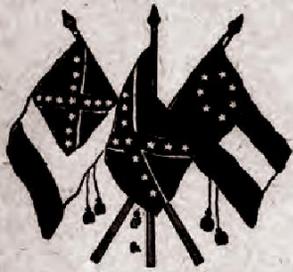
*Your brother,*

*S.P. Greene  
Captain*



The memorials of Mr. and Mrs. Greene in Pioneer's Rest.  
One of his obituaries is found on page 29 of this issue.

# Georgia battle flag, cont.



## DESCRIPTIVE LIST

TO BE COPIED INTO ROSTER.

NAME Samuel Perceval Greene AGE 54 WHERE BORN Yellowburg District, South Carolina  
 WHEN AND WHERE ENLISTED Atlanta Ga April 1861 COMPANY G  
 REGIMENT 11<sup>th</sup> Georgia BRIGADE Barber DIVISION Jones  
 CORPS \_\_\_\_\_ ARMY of Northern Virginia

SIGN THIS, AND GIVE NAMES OF TWO REFERENCES.

### REMARKS.

[Under this head will be included changes in Commands, important battles in which engaged, and other important facts connected with your CONFEDERATE record.]

In December 1861 - it being necessary for me to return home because of sickness and business I was discharged and again enlisted in March 1862 in 39<sup>th</sup> Ga Regiment. Remained afterward Cummings Brigade. Stevenson Division Hardee - afterward Hood after Stephen D Lee Corp Army of Tennessee - was in most of the battles <sup>camped</sup> fought by that Army in 1863 Cummings Brigade was sent to Vicksburg was in the siege of that City - and there captured at it's surrender and paroled - On being released from parole returned with brigade to Army of Tennessee finally surrendered with that Army at Grant's No Ca. Was promoted from private to 2<sup>nd</sup> Lieutenant - to 1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant - to Captain - served most of the war as adjutant of 39<sup>th</sup> Ga Regt - short time as acting adjt. Genl of Cummings Brigade - at close of war was Captain Co H 39<sup>th</sup> Ga Regt. now an attorney at law -

H. H. Austin and J. P. Lowe  
 Grapewine Texas & Texas  
 were members of my old Regiment

S. P. Greene  
 Fort Worth Texas

Approved  
 D. O. Moody  
 for Committee

Greene's app to the R. E. Lee UCV camp in Ft. Worth. Note that Polk Lowe was one of his affiants.

## JUDGE SAMUEL P. GREENE IS DEAD

Old Soldier and Jurist Passes  
Away Last Night at Home  
on East Weatherford Street

Judge Samuel P. Greene is dead. The end came at about 8:30 o'clock last night at his late home, 1168 East Weatherford street, after a painful illness of about ten days.

In the death of Judge Greene Fort Worth sustains a loss of one of her best citizens; society an exemplary member, and Lee camp, United Confederate Veterans, one of its staunchest supporters.

The deceased was born in South Carolina sixty-six years ago. He was educated at Dalton, Ga., and enlisted in the southern army at Dalton in April, 1861, becoming a member of company G, Eleventh Georgia regiment, Harton's brigade, Jones' division, army of Tennessee. He served in this command until the latter part of December, 1861. Later he became a member of the Thirty-ninth Georgia volunteers, Hardee's corps, army of Tennessee, in which regiment he remained until the close of the war, being paroled by General J. E. Johnston at Greensboro, N. C., April 25, 1865. In the latter company he served as second lieutenant in company I. Later he was promoted to the adjutancy of the regiment, which position he acceptably filled until promoted a second time to be captain of company H, Thirty-ninth Georgia volunteers.

Judge Greene became an earnest member of Lee camp in 1900, and has always been active in the work of the camp. He has been conservative and his counsel has on more than one occasion quieted what was thought might result in a disturbance among the members.

At the time of his death he was adjutant general and chief on the staff of General Van Zandt, commander-in-chief of the Texas division, United Confederate Veterans.

Judge Greene was a consistent member of the First Presbyterian church of this city, having been one of its founders. He was an elder in this church, a devout Christian in all the term implies. He will be greatly missed by the working forces of that congregation.

As a lawyer Judge Greene stood prominently among the list of leading attorneys of the state, being a member of the firm of Greene & Stewart. He was once associated with Thomas Hall and Senator A. M. Carter in the practice of law and later was connected with Judges Hoggsett and Humphreys.

Judge Greene served on the Forty-eighth judicial district bench several years ago and at the time of his death was one of three candidates for the judgeship of the Forty-eighth district court.

The deceased leaves a wife to mourn his loss. Before her marriage to Judge Greene she was Miss Carrie E. Greene, daughter of Colonel John P. Greene, of Atlanta, Ga. The marriage occurred February 16, 1882.

The funeral services will take place from the First Presbyterian church tomorrow morning at 9 o'clock, and will be conducted by Rev. William Caldwell, assisted by Dr. John V. Call of Cleburne, an officer of Fort Worth Presbytery. At the close of the services the Masonic fraternity, of which the deceased has long been an honored member, will conduct the interment.

All members of Worth Commandery, No. 148, are asked to assemble at the hall promptly at 8 o'clock in the morning to arrange to take part in the interment.

This was the first of several tributes which appeared in *The Fort Worth Star-Telegram*. This obituary appeared there on Thursday, June 30, 1904. He had died the day before.

# Texas Civil War Museum



The best collection of WBTS-related artifacts west of the Mississippi River, and one of the top museums of its kind in The Universe, is right here in Tarrant County! It includes many one-of-a-kind items, like the pocket knife Robert E. Lee carried throughout the War, and the coat Grant was wearing when he received General Lee's surrender at Appomattox. Even better, the collection is also weighted heavily toward Texas!

There's no better place to spend a few hours in the metroplex. If you have visitors from out-of-town, this is a great place to take 'em.



Texas Civil War Museum

Fort Worth

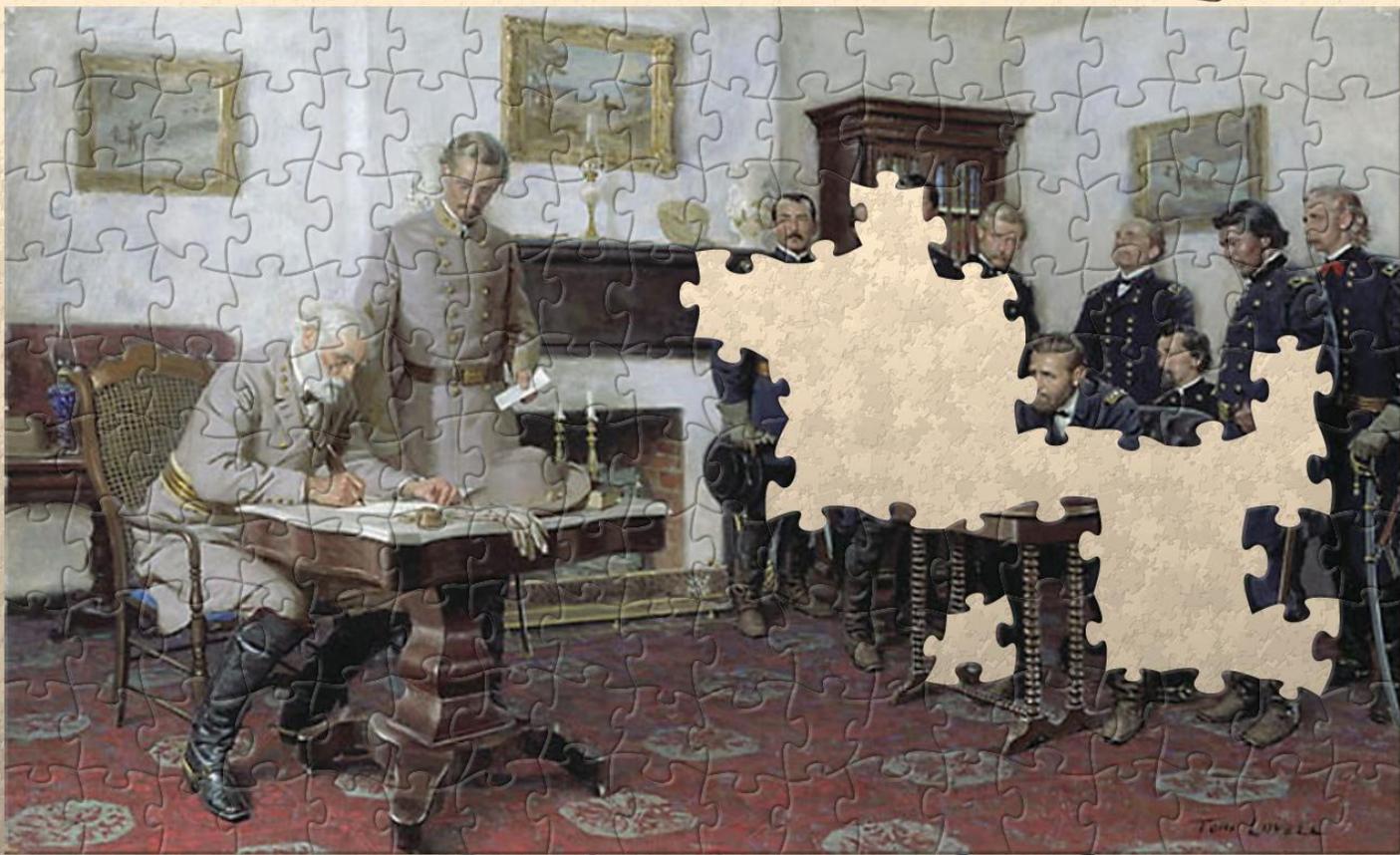
A close-up portrait of Kim Jong-un, the leader of North Korea, with his characteristic thick, dark eyebrows. He is wearing a dark suit jacket over a white shirt. The background is plain white.

Some people aren't lucky enough to have Confederate ancestors, but we are.

Is there a direct correlation between the length of a person's eyebrows and his IQ?

If you have some friends you suspect might be Confederate descendants, and if you think they'd be interested, let us know a few particulars and we'll check. We have the resources and the time to find military records and pension records if they're there. We're at [mfpchat@yahoo.com](mailto:mfpchat@yahoo.com)

# April's puzzle...in the McLean House at Appomattox



*National Geographic* ran this beautiful painting in its April 1965 issue. The puzzle is at:

<https://www.jigsawplanet.com/?rc=play&pid=1229e2043f59>

Go to the URL shown above. You'll find the puzzle in the shape the last person there left it. Click on "Play As" near the top of the page, then move the slider down to 180.

Click on "Start a New Game." It seems to help this puzzler to change the background color from time to time. Taking a break helps, too.

If you have any trouble getting these puzzles to work please email [mfpchat@yahoo.com](mailto:mfpchat@yahoo.com)

Click on the icon at lower right and take it to full-screen. It'll give you more room to work and will make the pieces bigger.



## **We appreciate the helping hands of...**

The installers at Pioneer's Rest March 10 for Thomas J. Barton's stone...Ron Turner, Bobby Gresham, James Alderman, Clay Fitzhugh, and Mike Patterson.

Ervin Hauk of the Tarrant County Historical Commission for taking photos at the Barton installation. We also want to thank him for making arrangements to place another headstone in the old Mitchell Cemetery near the Stockyards in North Fort Worth.

Nancy Maxwell of the Grapevine Public Library staff who looks up obituaries for us from time to time in the old *Grapevine Sun* newspaper.

Kristen Giesecke of Worthington Monuments who does the computer graphics work for our marker program. Dan Shaw and Brandon Loreda who cut our stones for us.

All the compatriots and their wives/significant others who sent in photos for the March show: Joe and Linda Wade, Vann Cunningham, James and Ja Ann Alderman, Terry Theiss, Rich McCook, Clay Fitzhugh, Morgan Tittle, Ron Turner, David Stewart, Tim Pringle, Chuck Marks, Tammy Patterson, and Marilyn and Mike Patterson.

Tammy and Marilyn Patterson for proofreading this issue.

# Cute half of Worthington Monuments management is honored by national monument builders group



Last summer Ryan Worthington, above, was honored by being named Memorialist of the Year by the Southern Monument Builders Association. Without the continued cooperation and friendship of Matt and Ryan Worthington, we could not have a Confederate grave marking program. Our goal is to mark one grave each month, and we sometimes do more.

*When you need the services of an experienced, award-winning memorialist, talk to Worthington Monuments. Come visit their new Colleyville location at 4201 Colleyville Boulevard. 817-770-4434. Open M-F 9-5. Saturday 9-3.*



# Coming soon...

**April 14**

**Come support the  
camp at our  
Confederate History  
Month observance.  
Oakwood Cemetery,  
Ft. Worth, 10:00  
a.m.**

**April 14**

**Accept the evening  
invitation from the  
R. E. Lee Camp in  
Fort Worth. Flyer is  
on page 8  
of this newsletter.**

**April 26**

**Regular monthly  
meeting of the E.  
W. Taylor Camp.  
Eat at 6, Meet at 7,  
Out by 8:30.**

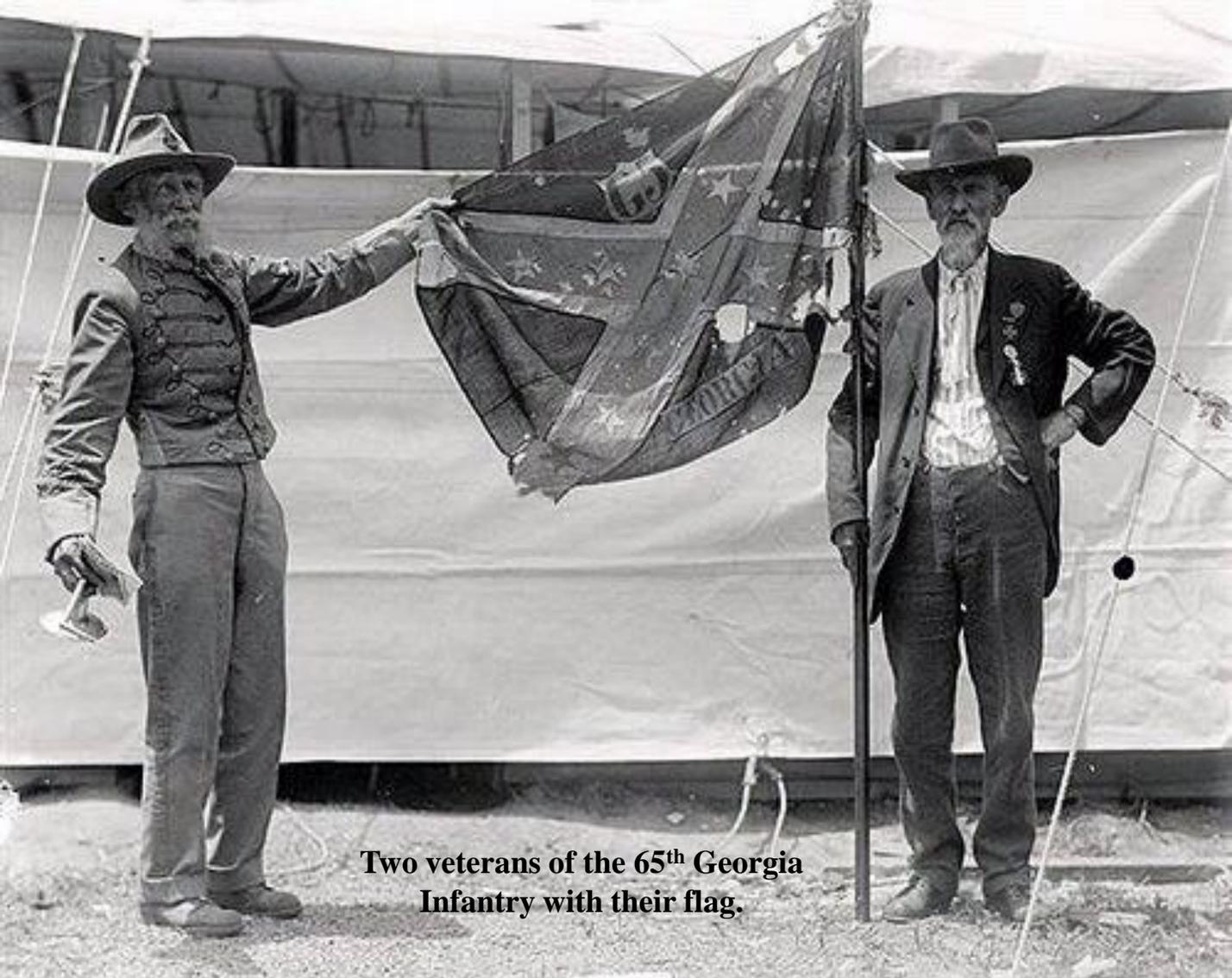
**May 28**

**Again this year we're  
invited to take part in  
Keller's Memorial Day  
Observance in historic  
Mount Gilead Cemetery.  
Details in the May  
newsletter. Midmorning.**

Adapted from a Far Side cartoon by Gary Larson



**After months of careful planning, the three disruptive Northern community organizers launched their escape.**



Two veterans of the 65<sup>th</sup> Georgia  
Infantry with their flag.

*"To you, Sons of Confederate Veterans, we will commit the vindication of the cause 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 cherish. Remember, it is your duty to see that the true history of the South is presented to future generations."*

**CSA General Stephen Dill Lee**