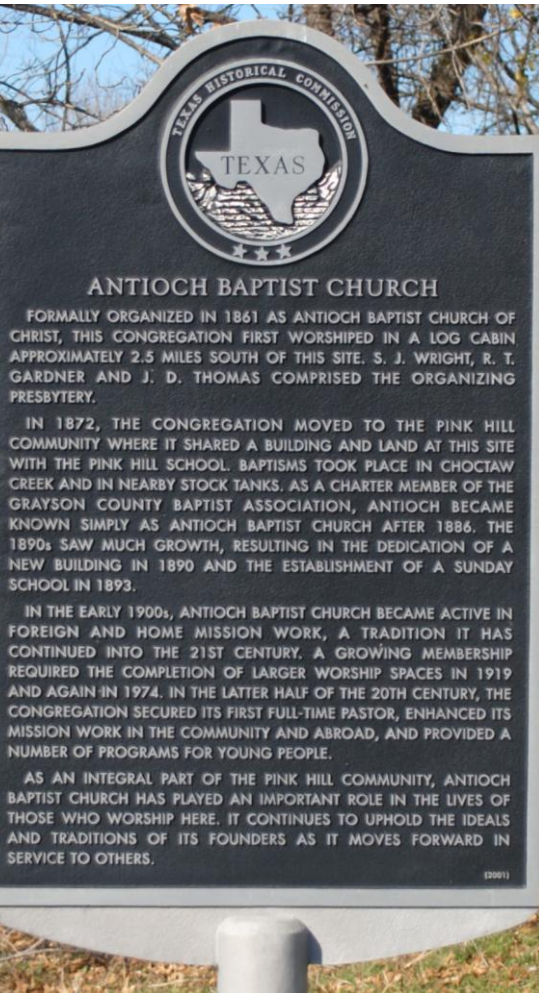


# Grayson County TX Historical Markers

Bells



# Antioch Baptist Church



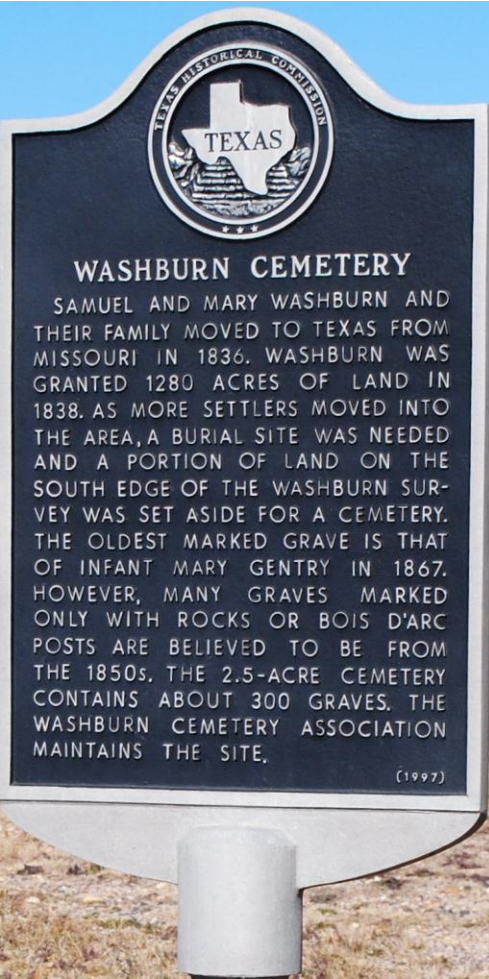


# First Baptist Church of Bells



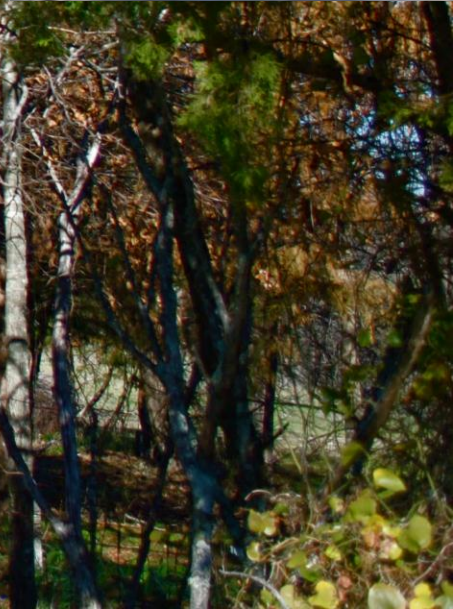


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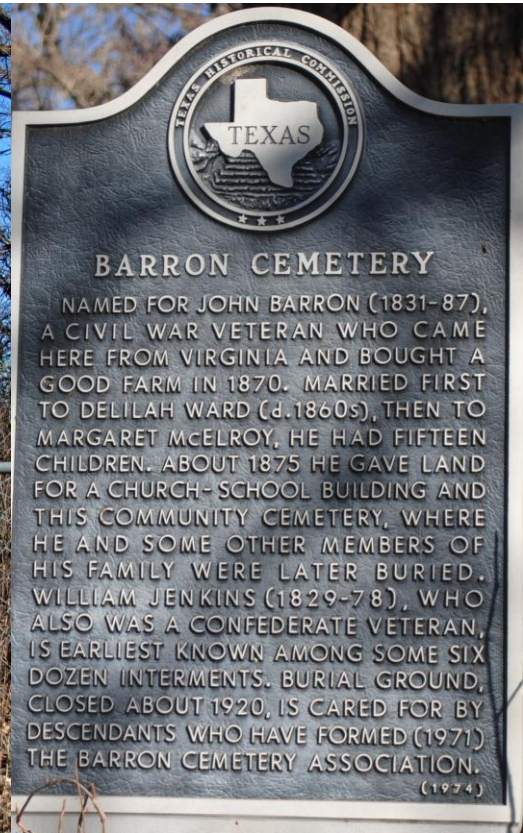
# Greenwood Cemetery



Collinsville



# Barron Cemetery



## BARRON CEMETERY

NAMED FOR JOHN BARRON (1831-87), A CIVIL WAR VETERAN WHO CAME HERE FROM VIRGINIA AND BOUGHT A GOOD FARM IN 1870. MARRIED FIRST TO DELILAH WARD (d.1860s), THEN TO MARGARET MCELROY, HE HAD FIFTEEN CHILDREN. ABOUT 1875 HE GAVE LAND FOR A CHURCH-SCHOOL BUILDING AND THIS COMMUNITY CEMETERY, WHERE HE AND SOME OTHER MEMBERS OF HIS FAMILY WERE LATER BURIED. WILLIAM JENKINS (1829-78), WHO ALSO WAS A CONFEDERATE VETERAN, IS EARLIEST KNOWN AMONG SOME SIX DOZEN INTERMENTS. BURIAL GROUND, CLOSED ABOUT 1920, IS CARED FOR BY DESCENDANTS WHO HAVE FORMED (1971) THE BARRON CEMETERY ASSOCIATION.

(1974)



# Hiram Lodge No. 433, A. & F. & A. & M.



Denison



# Old Bass Home



**OLD BASS HOME**  
(ORIGINALLY AT 215 W. HOUSTON, SHERMAN)  
OLDEST EXTANT HOUSE  
ERECTED IN 1850'S BY D.  
BULLOCK, BUILT AROUND  
"DOG RUN" OR ENTRY HALL  
FIRST WINDOW GLASS IN C.  
FAMILY HOME OF CONFEE  
COL. T. C. BASS SINCE 186  
DAUGHTER NETTIE, BORN  
1868, LIVED IN HOME 97  
RECORDED, TEXAS HISTORIC LAND



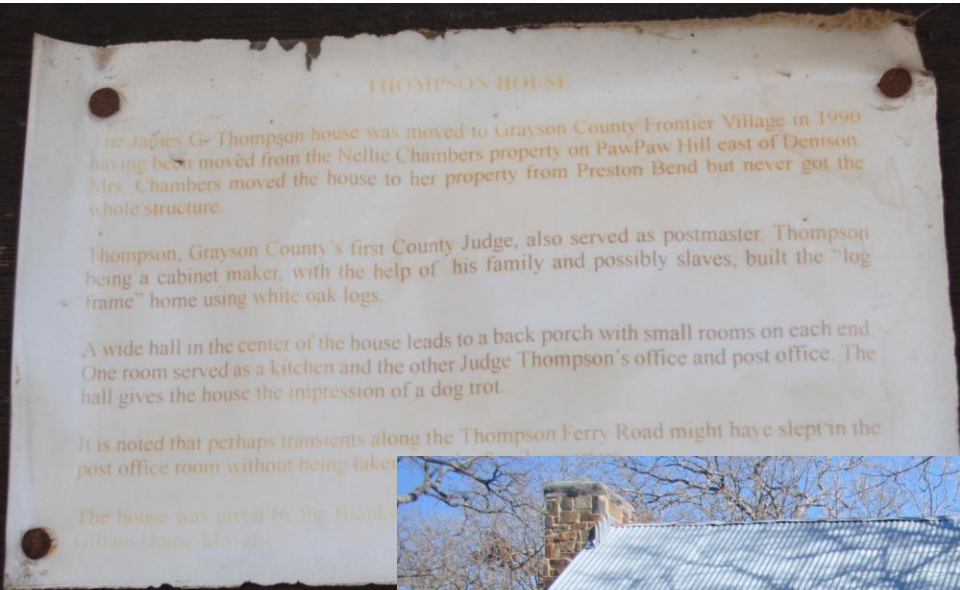


# J. K. Miller House





# Old Thompson Home



## THOMPSON HOUSE

Built by Judge James G. Thompson in the early 1840's on the south bank of the Red River at Preston Road.

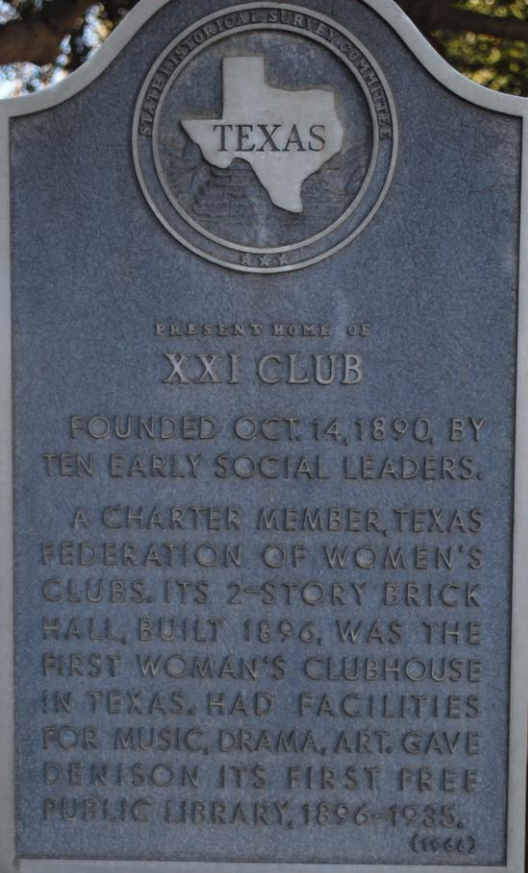
In 1942 it was bought by Ms. Nellie Chambers and moved east of Denison to save it from the advancing waters of the newly formed Lake Texoma.

Upon her death, her heirs donated the home to the Village.

It was moved to it's present location and restored in 1986.





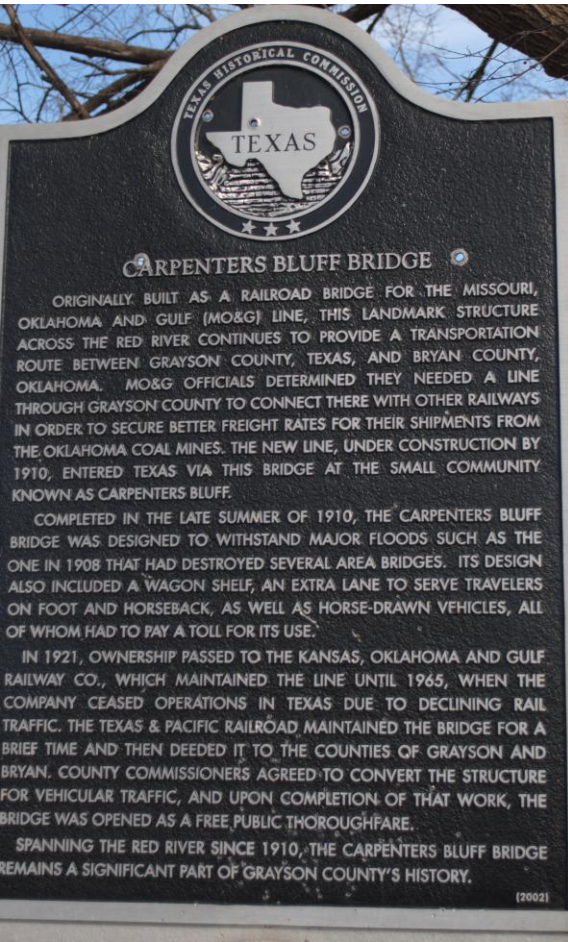


# Present Home of XXI Club





# Carpenter's Bluff Bridge



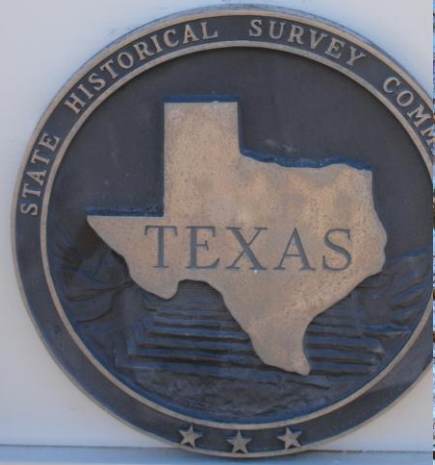
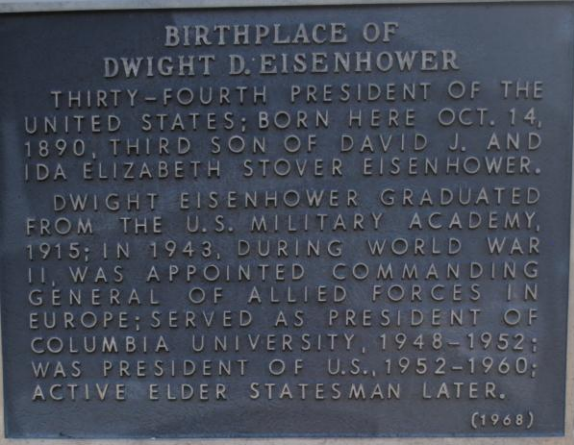


# Hopewell Baptist Church





# Birthplace of Dwight D. Eisenhower



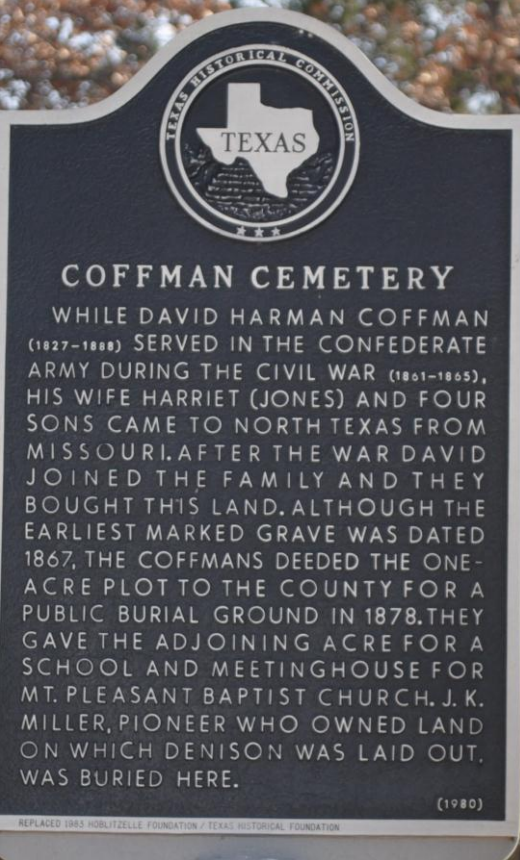


# Joseph G. McCoy Promoter of the Chisholm Trail





# Coffman Cemetery





# Cold Springs Log Cabin School



**COLD SPRINGS  
LOG CABIN SCHOOL**  
PIONEERS, WHO WERE CAMPED NEAR  
A SPRING ON PROPERTY OF WILLIAM  
S. REEVES (1794-1879) WHILE WAITING FOR  
THEIR LAND GRANTS, BUILT THIS ONE-  
ROOM SCHOOLHOUSE ABOUT 1855. THE  
LEADER OF THE GROUP WAS WILLIAM  
L. HOLDER (1820-1876), WHO MIGRATED TO  
GRAYSON COUNTY FROM MISSOURI. HIS  
SON CLINTON L. (1845-1897) LATER USED  
THE CABIN AS A RESIDENCE. IN 1974  
THE STRUCTURE WAS MOVED TO THE  
OLD SETTLERS VILLAGE AND RESTORED.  
RECORDED TEXAS HISTORIC LANDMARK-1977





# St. Luke's Church



**ST. LUKE'S CHURCH**  
DENISON'S OLDEST HOUSE OF WORSHIP AND OLDEST EPISCOPAL SANCTUARY IN GRAYSON COUNTY.  
SITE GIVEN BY DENISON TOWN COMPANY AND VISITATION BY THE RT. REV. ALEXANDER GREGG, FIRST BISHOP OF TEXAS, IN MAY 1873.  
CORNERSTONE WAS LAID IN 1874 BY THE RT. REV. A. C. GARRETT, BISHOP OF MISSIONARY DISTRICT OF NORTHERN TEXAS. CHURCH WAS CONSECRATED BY HIM IN 1876.  
THE ORIGINAL BUILDING FORMED THE NAVE OF THE PRESENT CHURCH.  
RECORDED TEXAS HISTORIC LANDMARK



St. Luke's Episcopal Church

HOLY EUCHARIST
SUNDAY
8:00 AM WYVE I
10:30 AM WYVE II
TUESDAY
NOON CHANCEL
RECTOR
THE VERY REV. MUR PERCHALL



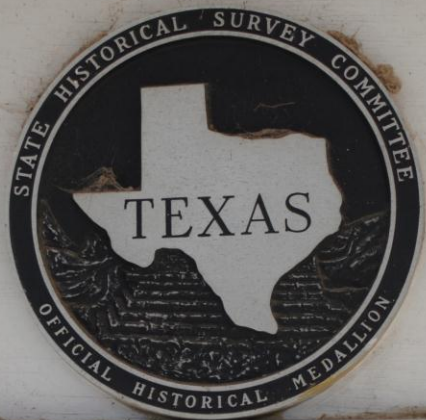
# St. Patrick's Catholic Church



ST. PATRICK'S CATHOLIC CHURCH  
ST. PATRICK'S PARISH WAS FOUNDED  
IN 1872 BY THE ROMAN CATHOLIC  
BISHOP OF GALVESTON, CLAUDE DUBUIS.  
THE FIRST CHURCH BUILDING AT THIS  
SITE, DESIGNED BY NOTED ARCHITECT  
NICHOLAS J. CLAYTON, WAS COMPLETED  
IN 1898. DESTROYED BY FIRE IN 1911,  
THE STRUCTURE WAS REBUILT,  
INCORPORATING MUCH OF CLAYTON'S  
ORIGINAL DESIGN INTO THE NEW  
FACADE. COMPLETED IN 1914, THE GOTHIC  
REVIVAL BUILDING FEATURES FINE  
PATTERNED BRICKWORK AND LANCET  
ARCHES.  
RECORDED TEXAS HISTORIC LANDMARK - 1983







# The Fitzgerald Home

## THE FITZGERALD HOME

BUILT ON 800-ACRE FARM NEAR BELLS BY GEO. S. FITZGERALD, WHO MOVED WITH FAMILY FROM VIRGINIA TO TEXAS IN 1857. HE CUT BUILDING TIMBER ON HIS FARM IN 1859. ON RETURN FROM CONFEDERATE ARMY HE ERECTED THIS HOUSE IN 1866. HE WAS PROSPEROUS AND ESTEEMED, SERVING AS A GRAYSON COUNTY COMMISSIONER FROM 1880 TO 1884. HOUSE WAS FRAMED OF PEGGED OAK LOGS. MAIN ROOMS ARE 20- BY 20 FEET, JOINED BY 12-FOOT HALL. TWO STAIRS LEAD TO UPPER STORY.

RECORDED TEXAS HISTORIC LANDMARK — 1969



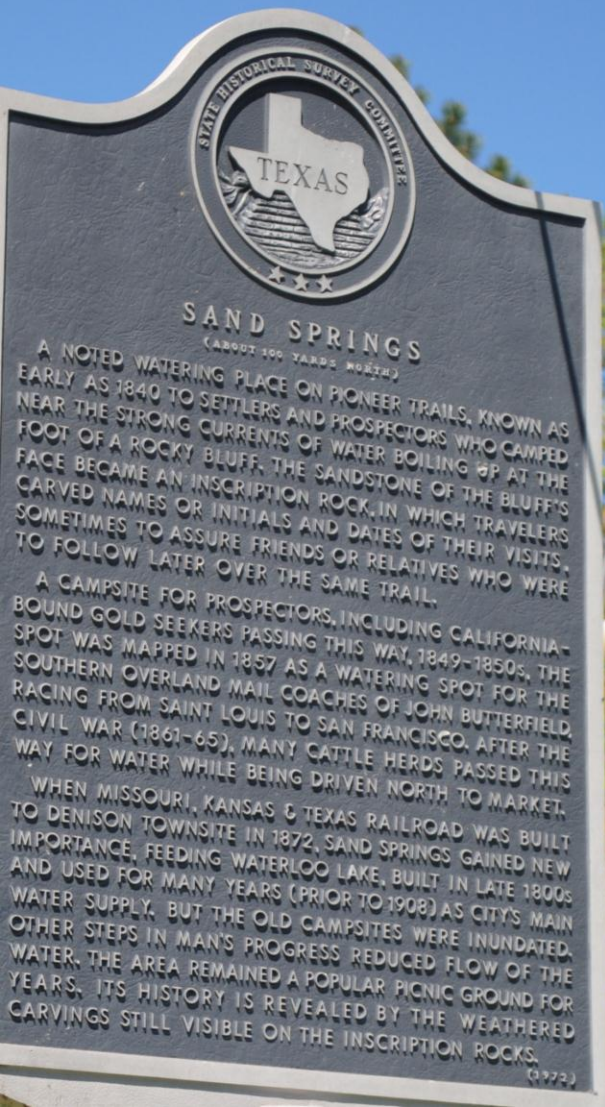


# Missouri-Kansas-Texas Railroad





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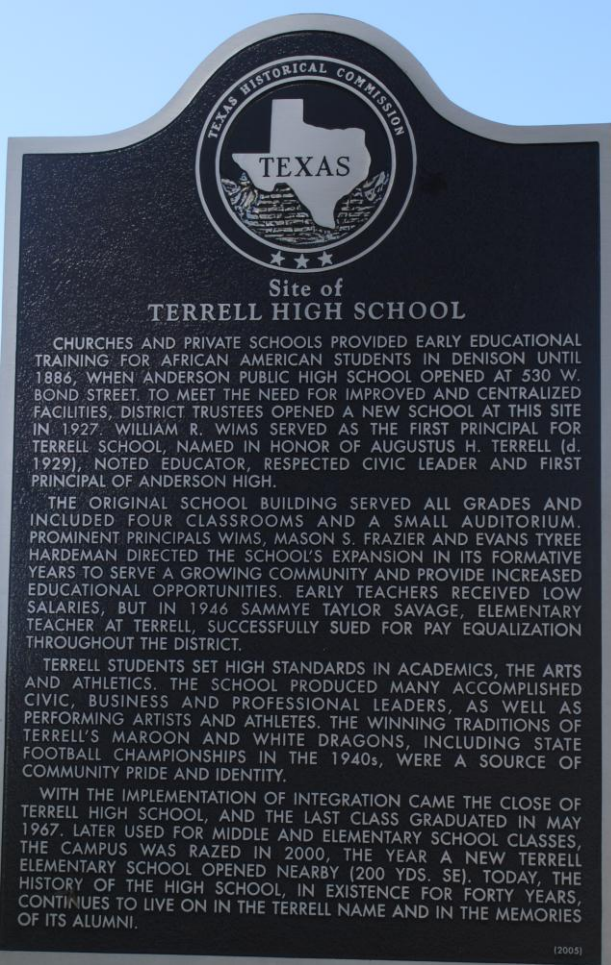


# Colbert's Ferry





# Site of Terrell High School





# Jesse Elvis Hendricks Log Cabin

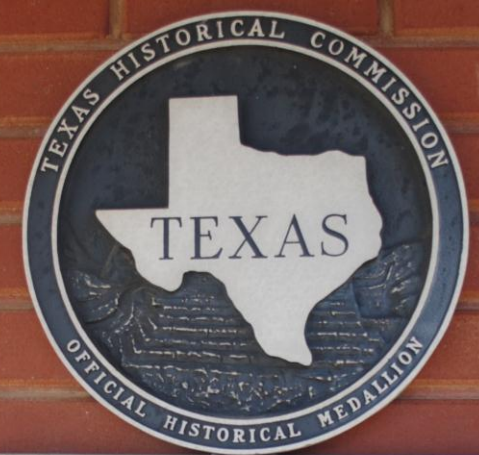


## JESSE ELVIS HENDRICKS LOG CABIN

A NATIVE OF MISSOURI, JESSE ELVIS HENDRICKS (1837-1920) CAME TO GRAYSON COUNTY IN 1846. IN 1863-64, HE BUILT THIS LOG HOME FIVE MILES SOUTHEAST OF THIS SITE. IT WAS ORIGINALLY A ONE-ROOM CABIN WITH A LOFT, BUT HENDRICKS AND HIS WIFE, SUSAN MATILDA (DUMAS), ADDED MORE ROOMS ABOUT 1870 AFTER THE BIRTH OF THEIR FOURTH CHILD. THE HENDRICKS' LOG CABIN WAS MOVED TO THIS SITE AND RESTORED IN 1978. RECORDED TEXAS HISTORIC LANDMARK - 1983



# Lone Star Masonic Lodge No. 403, A.F. & A.M.



LONE STAR MASONIC LODGE 403  
AF AM  
STATED MEETING FIRST TUESDAY OF MONTH 7:30 pm

LONE STAR MASONIC  
LODGE NO. 403, A. F. & A. M.  
ORGANIZED A YEAR AFTER DENISON  
WAS FOUNDED, LONE STAR MASONIC  
LODGE WAS CHARTERED JUNE 6, 1874.  
MEETINGS WERE HELD IN SEVERAL  
LOCATIONS BEFORE THE CONSTRUCTION  
OF THIS LODGE HALL. THE NORTHERN  
HALF OF THE BUILDING WAS ERRECTED  
IN 1900 AND THE SOUTHERN PORTION  
IN 1915. A BRACKETED EAVE DOMINATES  
THE TOP OF THE BRICK STRUCTURE. THE  
LODGE HALL WAS DEDICATED ON THE  
NIGHT OF DEC. 31, 1915, WITH CEREMONIES  
EXTENDING INTO NEW YEAR'S DAY 1916.  
RECORDED TEXAS HISTORIC LANDMARK - 1915



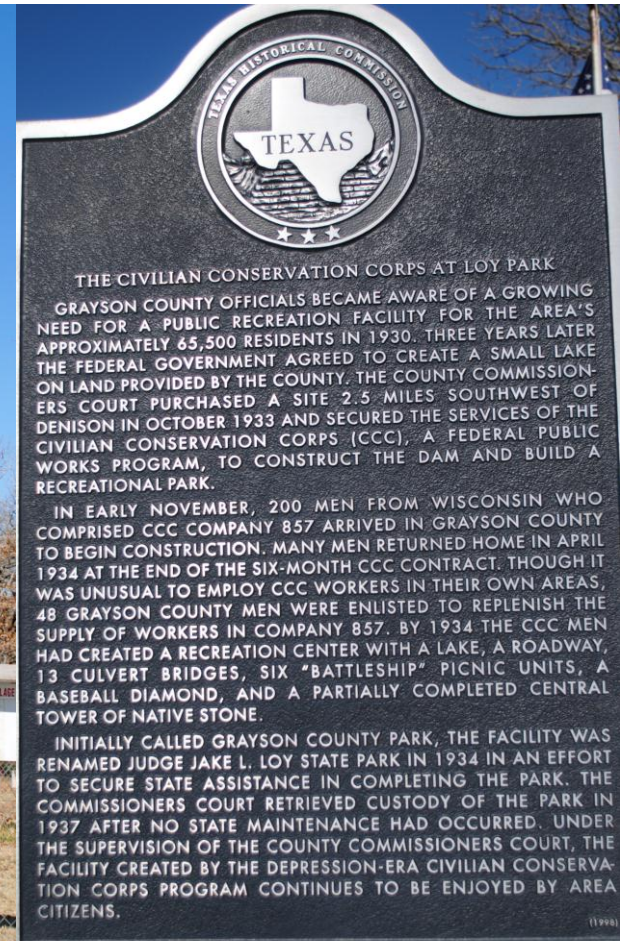
# E.M. Kohl Building



**THE E. M. KOHL BUILDING**  
ERNST MARTIN KOHL (1857-1935), FORMER GERMAN NAVY CAPTAIN WHO CAME TO DENISON IN 1885, BUILT THE FIRST FLOOR OF THIS STRUCTURE IN 1893 TO HOUSE A GROCERY STORE AND SALOON. HE ADDED THE TOP THREE FLOORS IN 1909-11 AS HIS FAMILY'S RESIDENCE. IN THE 1930s, THIS BUILDING BECAME THE TRAVELER'S HOTEL, DRAWING BUSINESS FROM THE NEARBY RAILROAD DISTRICT. PURCHASED IN 1968 BY MR. AND MRS. BUD TUCKER, IT WAS SOLD IN 1975 TO DR. AND MRS. D.H. BRANDT AND RESTORED BY THEIR SONS, BILL, BOB, AND CHARLES.

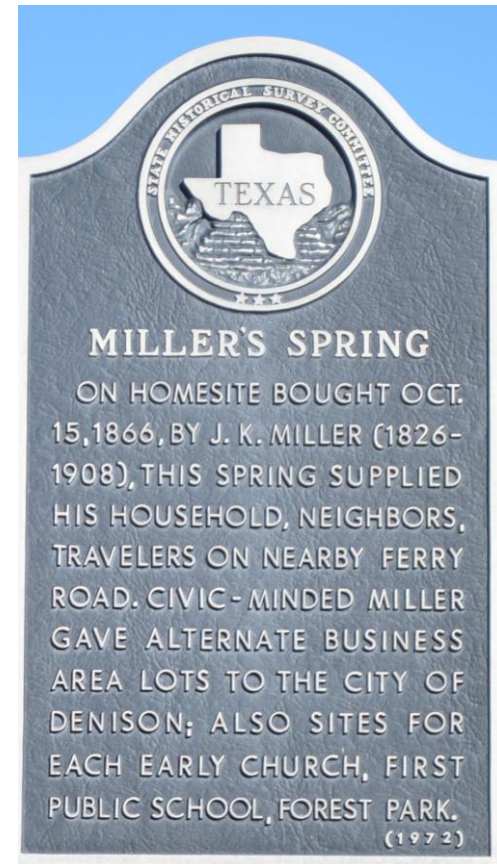


# The Civilian Conservation Corps at Loy Lake Park



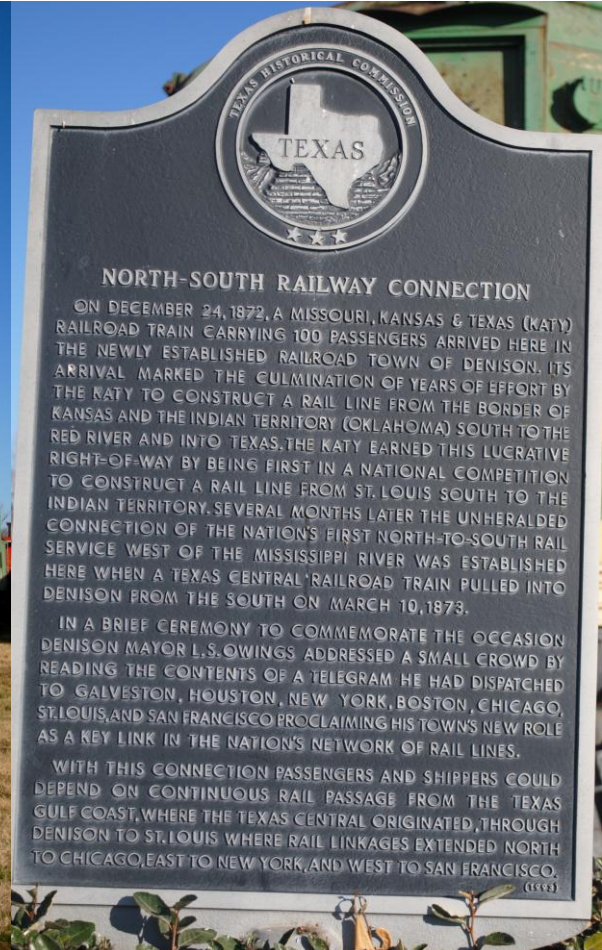


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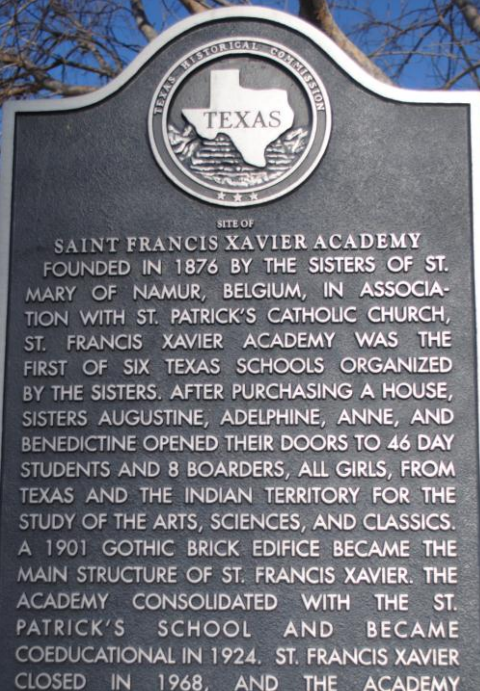


# North-South Railway Connection





# Site of Saint Francis Xavier Academy





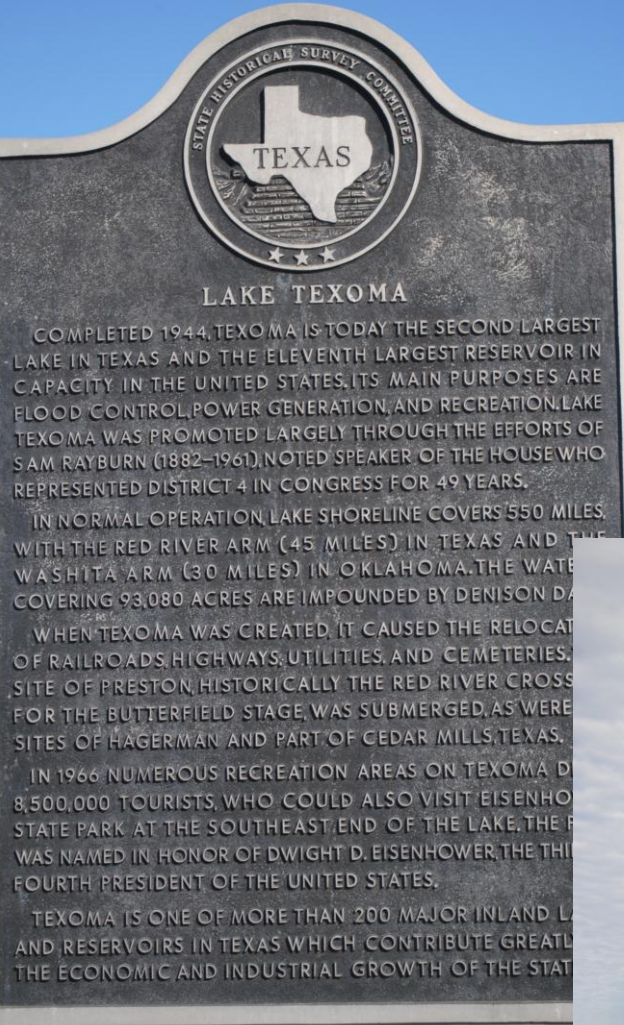


# Davis-Ansley Log Cabin Home

**DAVIS-ANSLEY LOG CABIN HOME**  
BLACKSMITH MICAJAH C. DAVIS (1790-1860), ONE OF THE FOUNDERS OF GRAYSON COUNTY, ERECTED THIS CABIN ABOUT 1840 AT IRON ORE CREEK SETTLEMENT NEAR PRESENT DENISON. THE PIONEER HOME WAS BUILT OF HAND-HEWN OAK LOGS WITH A PLANK FLOOR. SOLD IN 1870 TO JOSEPHUS R. ANSLEY (1826-1873) AND HIS WIFE GILLEY (1826-1915), THE CABIN WAS LATER OCCUPIED BY THEIR SON WILL (1861-1952). MR. AND MRS. JOHN SUMMERS PURCHASED THE STRUCTURE IN 1953 AND DONATED IT IN 1972 TO THE OLD SETTLERS VILLAGE.  
RECORDED TEXAS HISTORIC LANDMARK-1976







# Lake Texoma







# Thomas V. Munson Home

HOME OF THOMAS V. MUNSON  
(1843-1913)

WORLD FAMED GRAPE CULTURIST. EARNED SECOND DEGREE EVER GIVEN AT KENTUCKY A. & M. COLLEGE (1870). MOVED TO DENISON 1876; BECAME A CIVIC LEADER AND HAD NURSERIES FOR WIDE VARIETIES OF PLANTS.

IN 1880'S HELPED FRANCE SAVE VINEYARDS FROM ROOT DISEASE, AND BECAME SECOND AMERICAN EVER NAMED TO FRENCH LEGION OF HONOR.

HIS SCIENTIFIC PAPERS FILED IN WASHINGTON, D. C., ARE STILL USED BY HORTICULTURISTS. HE AND HIS WIFE BUILT THIS HOME 1887.

RECORDED TEXAS HISTORIC LANDMARK-1967





# L.A. Washington, Jr. and Wife Martha A.



## L. A. WASHINGTON, JR. AND WIFE MARTHA A.

GRANDNEPHEW OF GEORGE WASHINGTON, WHO HAD BEEN GUARDIAN OF L.A.'S FATHER; WAS A DOCTOR; CAME TO TEXAS 1849 WITH INAUGURAL SUIT, PERSONAL LETTERS OF GEORGE WASHINGTON. WIFE CAME FROM NOTED WEST VIRGINIA FAMILY.

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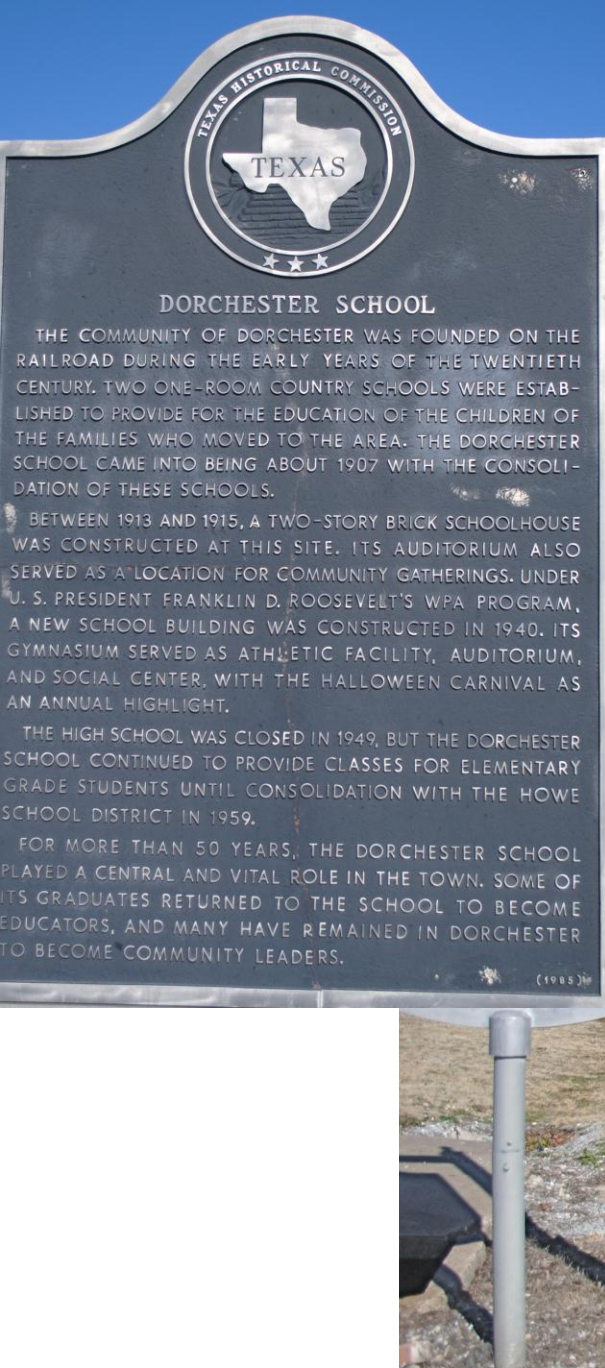




Dorchester



# Dorchester School





Gunter



# Town of Gunter, on Old Gunter Ranch





# Whitaker Cemetery



## WHITAKER CEMETERY

PIONEERS IN THE CLAYTON SCHOOL-HOUSE COMMUNITY BEGAN USING THIS SITE ON J. W. WHITAKER'S FARM AS A BURIAL GROUND IN 1866, WITH THE INTERMENT OF JOSEPH MCLEAN. THE SETTLERS, WHO WERE FARMERS AND RANCHERS FROM MISSISSIPPI AND OTHER SOUTHERN STATES, BOUGHT THIS CEMETERY IN 1880 AND CONTINUED TO USE IT AS A BURIAL GROUND. IN 1967 DESCENDANTS OF THE PIONEER SETTLERS FORMED THE WHITAKER CEMETERY ASSOCIATION TO PROVIDE FOR THE MAINTENANCE OF THE GRAVESITES. THE ORGANIZATION SPONSORS AN ANNUAL MEMORIAL SERVICE THE THIRD SUNDAY IN MAY.

(1983)

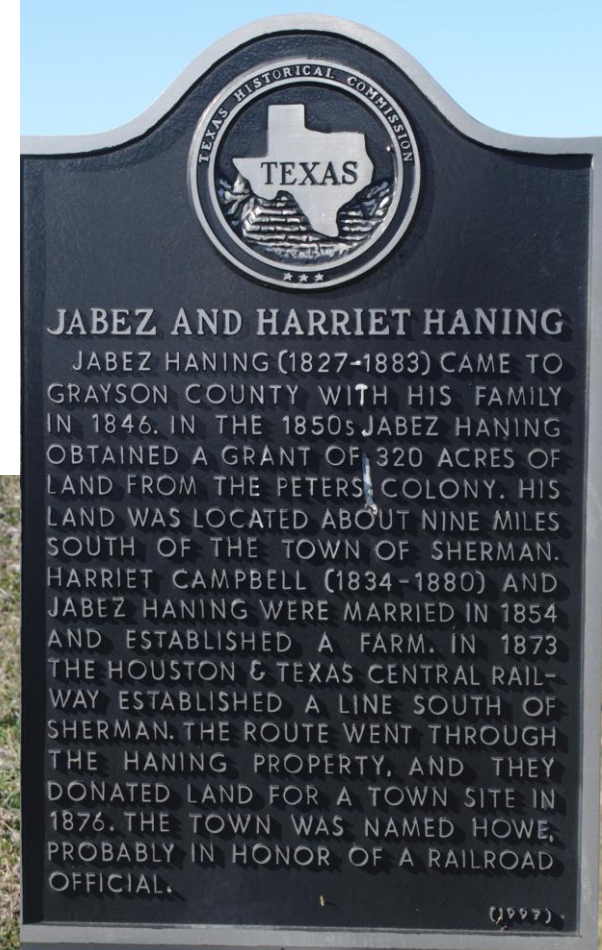




Howe

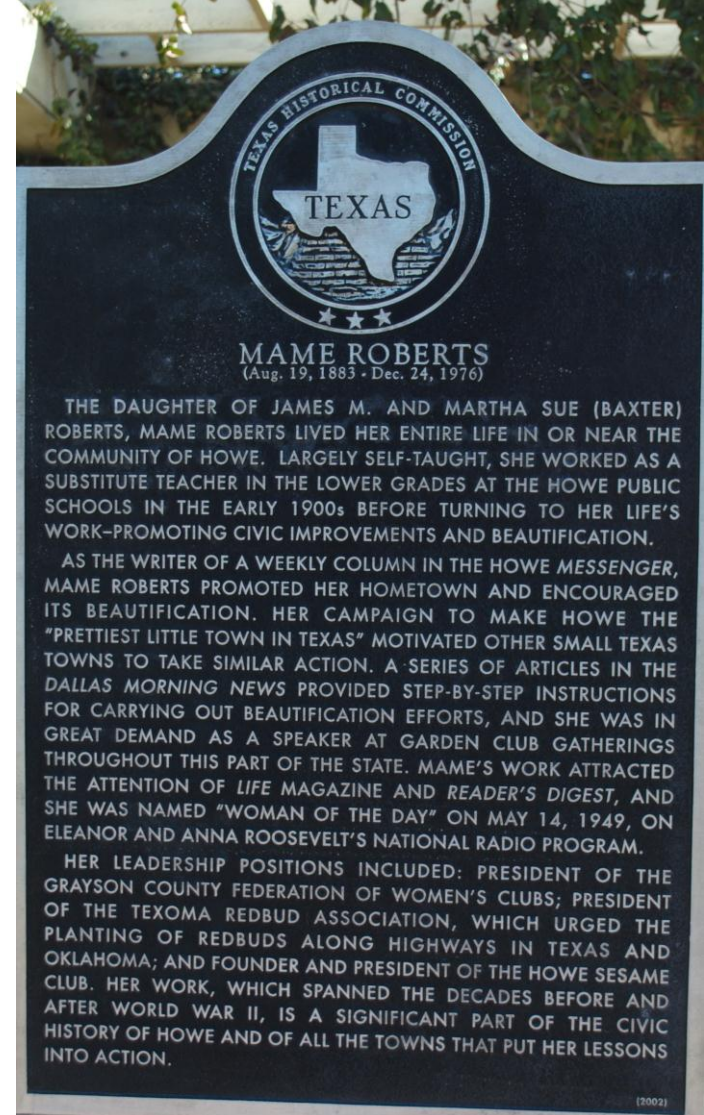


# Jabez and Harriet Hanning





# Mame Roberts





# Howe Lodge No. 430, A.F. & A.M.



## HOWE LODGE NO. 430, A.F. & A.M.

CONSTITUTED ON JUNE 5, 1875, THIS LODGE WAS ORGANIZED IN THE EARLY GRAYSON COUNTY COMMUNITY OF FARMINGTON (5 MI. SW). MEMBERS VOTED TO MOVE THE LODGE TO HOWE IN 1887, AFTER THE EARLIER SETTLEMENT WAS BYPASSED BY THE RAILROAD. IN HOWE, THE FIRST LODGE HALL WAS CONSTRUCTED ABOVE THE EARLY METHODIST CHURCH CHAPEL. LATER FACILITIES WERE BUILT AS THE LODGE GREW. PART OF ITS GROWTH CAME AS A RESULT OF A MERGER WITH THE DORCHESTER LODGE IN 1966. NUMEROUS WAR VETERANS AND CIVIC LEADERS HAVE BEEN MEMBERS HERE.

TEXAS SESQUICENTENNIAL 1836-1986





# First Christian Church of Howe



## FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH OF HOWE

IN THE 1840s, SETTLERS MOVED TO THIS AREA AS PART OF THE PETERS COLONY. IN THE EARLY 1870s, PLANS FOR THE HOUSTON AND TEXAS CENTRAL RAILROAD COMING THROUGH THE SETTLEMENT BROUGHT NEW RESIDENTS TO THE COMMUNITY, KNOWN AS SUMMIT. RENAMED FOR RAILROAD OFFICIAL F.M. HOWE, THE TOWN OF HOWE WAS ESTABLISHED CIRCA 1872.

THAT SAME YEAR, SEVERAL RESIDENTS MET TO ORGANIZE WHAT WOULD BECOME THE FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH OF HOWE. FOUNDERS AND CHARTER MEMBERS INCLUDED GEORGE MILLER, J.A. HUGHES, HENRY STEVENS, J.A. MATTHEWS, W.T. COPELAND, SI COLLINS, C.E. WHEAT, L.M. DAVIS, J.C. McBEE, JIM McCOY AND JOHN GRIGG, AND MEMBERS HELD THEIR FIRST SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES AND WORSHIP SERVICES IN HOMES, SCHOOLS AND OTHER BUILDINGS.

THE CONGREGATION GREW AND PURCHASED THIS SITE IN 1893 FROM JOHN W. AND MINNIE B. SIMPSON. THE CHURCH, LED BY TRUSTEES CHARLIE HANNA, J.W. BEARDEN, AND JOHN AND FRANK GRIGG, CONSTRUCTED A BUILDING ON THE SITE. THE STRUCTURE WAS ONE OF FOUR PROTESTANT SANCTUARIES CONSTRUCTED IN HOWE DURING THAT PERIOD. EACH HAD SIMILAR VERNACULAR DESIGNS SHOWING VICTORIAN INFLUENCES. FEATURES INCLUDED FISHSCALE SHINGLING, STEEP-PITCHED GABLE ROOFS AND NEO-GOTHIC DETAILS. THE FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH CONGREGATION ADDED AN ANNEX IN 1925 AND LATER PURCHASED A PARSONAGE ON ADJOINING PROPERTY.

DURING ITS YEARS AS A CONGREGATION, THE FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH MEMBERS HELD REVIVALS IN THE CHURCHYARD AND MINISTERED AND WITNESSED TO THOSE IN THE HOWE COMMUNITY. IN 1982, BECAUSE OF DECLINING MEMBERSHIP, THE CHURCH DISBANDED, AND MEMBERS DONATED THE SANCTUARY AND SITE TO THE CITY, WHICH PREPARED TO USE THE FACILITY FOR COMMUNITY PURPOSES WHILE MAINTAINING A LINK TO THE COMMUNITY'S PAST.

(2003)





# William Whitley Wheat



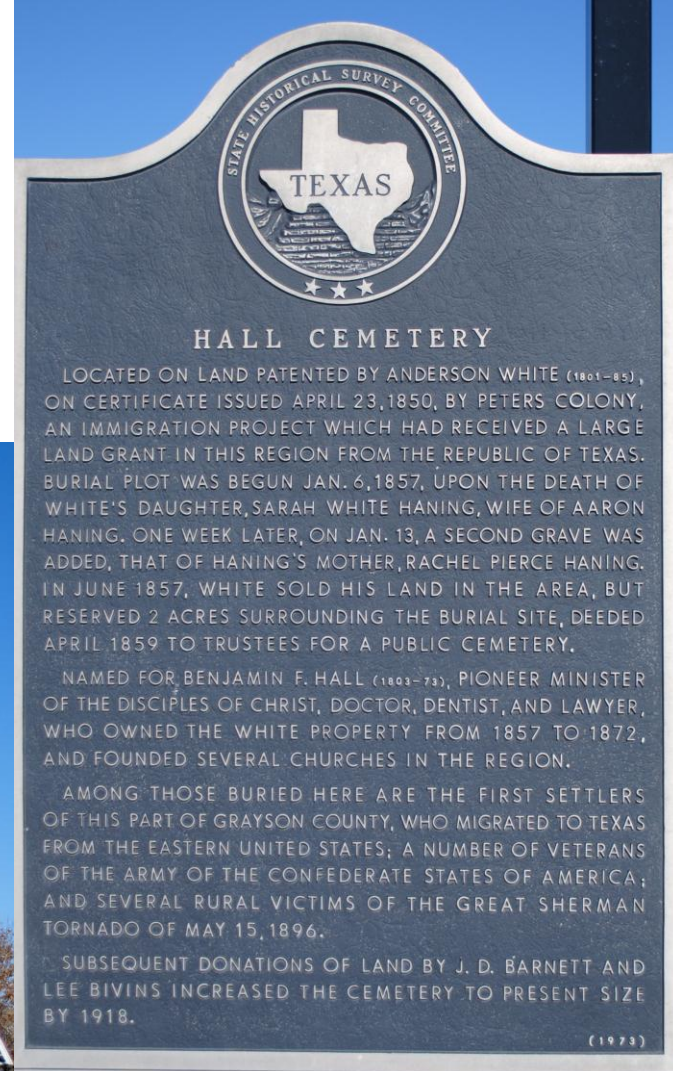
## WILLIAM WHITLEY WHEAT

WILLIAM WHITLEY WHEAT (1820-1890) WAS BORN IN ALABAMA TO SAMUEL AND CYNTHIA (STINSON) WHEAT. HE MARRIED CYNTHIA ANN MAYNARD, AND THE COUPLE CAME TO TEXAS IN 1842 TO PETERS COLONY. THEY MOVED THREE YEARS LATER TO WHAT IS NOW GRAYSON COUNTY, SETTLING AND RAISING TEN CHILDREN NEAR FARMINGTON. WHEAT WAS AN EARLY CATTLE DROVER TO NORTHERN MARKETS, AND HE BECAME A RESPECTED AND SUCCESSFUL FARMER. HE SERVED FOR MANY YEARS AS GRAYSON COUNTY COMMISSIONER IN THE 1870s AND 1880s AND WAS FIRST PRESIDING PRESIDENT OF THE OLD SETTLERS ASSOCIATION OF NORTH TEXAS. AS SUCH, HE WORKED TO EASE LOCAL TENSIONS IN THE POST-CIVIL WAR YEARS.

RECORDED - 2002



# Hall Cemetery





Pilot Grove



# Pilot Grove Baptist Church



## PILOT GROVE BAPTIST CHURCH

THIS CONGREGATION TRACES ITS HISTORY TO THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE UNITED BAPTIST CHURCH HERE IN 1848 ON 3.5 ACRES OF LAND DONATED BY HEZAKIAH WARDEN. BY 1850 THE TOWN OF PILOT GROVE CONTAINED THE BAPTIST CHURCH, A POST OFFICE, GRIST MILL, DRUGSTORE, SEVERAL SALOONS, AND A COTTON GIN. WARDEN DONATED AN ACRE OF LAND ALONG PILOT GROVE CREEK TO THE BAPTIST CHURCH IN 1854. PILOT GROVE BAPTIST CHURCH WAS ESTABLISHED AS A MISSION OF THE UNITED BAPTIST CHURCH BY ELDERS JOHN A. PIARS, BENJAMIN WATSON, AND GEORGE F. CALOR, AND A NUMBER OF OTHER CHARTER MEMBERS IN 1858.

EARLY WORSHIP SERVICES WERE HELD IN MEMBERS' HOMES AND IN A LOCAL SCHOOLHOUSE UNTIL A SANCTUARY WAS BUILT IN 1876. DURING THIS TIME AND UNTIL THE EARLY 1970s NEW CONVERTS WERE BAPTIZED IN NEARBY PILOT GROVE CREEK. ACCORDING TO LOCAL TRADITION THE ORIGINAL SANCTUARY WAS DESTROYED IN A TORNADO AND REPLACED WITH A NEW CHURCH BUILDING AT THIS SITE IN 1917.

DURING WORLD WAR II THE TOWN OF PILOT GROVE BEGAN A RAPID DECLINE AND TODAY IS A SMALL RURAL COMMUNITY WITH ONLY THIS CONGREGATION AND TWO CEMETERIES REMAINING. PILOT GROVE BAPTIST CHURCH NEVERTHELESS CONTINUES A TRADITION OF HOSTING SOCIAL EVENTS AND PROVIDING WORSHIP SERVICES FOR THE COMMUNITY.

(1994)





# Binion Homestead



## BINION HOMESTEAD

GEORGIA NATIVES THOMAS NOEL BINION (1827-1900) AND PAULINE WALKER BINION (1829-1915) MIGRATED TO TEXAS AFTER THE CIVIL WAR. THEY MOVED TO THE OXFORD COMMUNITY IN GRAYSON COUNTY WHERE THEY PURCHASED THIS 107-ACRE FARM IN 1871. THOMAS AND PAULINE REARED FOUR CHILDREN HERE: ZEPH (1856-1928), HOMER (1865-1926), ROBERT E. LEE "EDDIE" (1869-1945), AND SARAH (1872-1955). AFTER THOMAS AND PAULINE DIED, THEY WERE BURIED IN THE FAMILY CEMETERY NORTHWEST OF THEIR HOMESTEAD. THE FARM WAS INHERITED BY THEIR CHILDREN.

EDDIE BINION BECAME A MERCHANT IN NEARBY PILOT GROVE, BUT MOVED BACK TO THE FAMILY HOMESTEAD WITH HIS SISTER SARAH AFTER THE DEATH OF HIS WIFE. EDDIE RAISED SUGAR CANE AND OPERATED A SYRUP MILL HERE FROM THE TURN OF THE CENTURY UNTIL THE 1940s. THE MILL FIRST USED MULES TO OPERATE THE CRUSHER, AND WOOD FIRES TO COOK THE MOLASSES. WHEN FUEL OIL AND COAL WERE READILY AVAILABLE IN THE 1920s, A PISTON ENGINE REPLACED THE MULE, AND COAL REPLACED THE WOOD FIRES.

DURING THE DEPRESSION YEARS, CANE CONTINUED TO ARRIVE BUT MONEY TO PURCHASE COAL AND FUEL OIL DIMINISHED. THE MULE WAS REINSTATED, BUT THE BINION SYRUP MILL FOUNDERED IN THE 1940s. THE MILL WAS DISMANTLED AND THE IRON AND STEEL SOLD FOR USE IN WORLD WAR II.

(1934)





# Pilot Grove

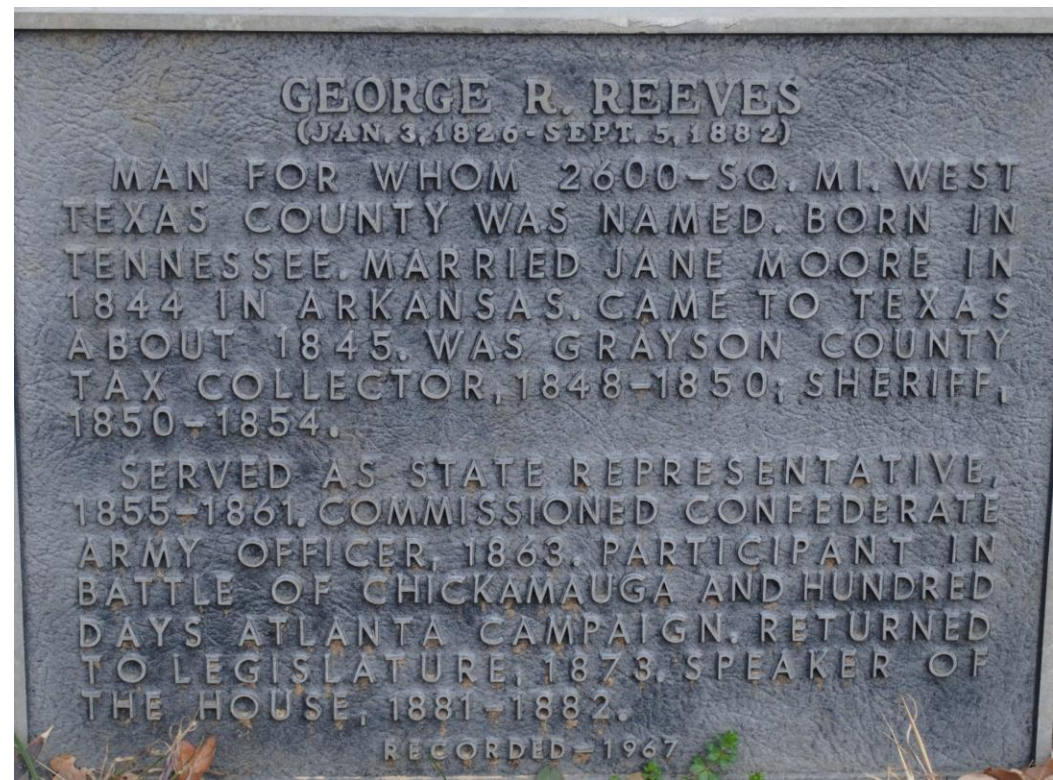




Pottsboro



# George R. Reeves





# Fink



## FINK

A COMMUNITY GREW UP NEAR FORT JOHNSON ON THE TEXAS MILITARY ROAD (ALSO KNOWN AS THE SHAWNEE TRAIL) IN THE 1840s. EARLIER CALLED GEORGETOWN AND REEVESVILLE, THE SETTLEMENT BECAME KNOWN AS FINK WHEN A POST OFFICE (500 FEET NORTH) WAS ESTABLISHED IN 1897 AND NAMED FOR FIEDRICK FINKE (1858-1920), A GERMAN IMMIGRANT WHO HAD COME TO GRAYSON COUNTY IN 1884. THE POST OFFICE WAS DISCONTINUED IN 1908. NEVER INCORPORATED, FINK WAS EVENTUALLY INCLUDED WITHIN THE BOUNDARIES OF POTTSBORO. IN THE 1960s LOCAL RESIDENTS BEGAN ANNUAL FINK CELEBRATIONS.

(1988)

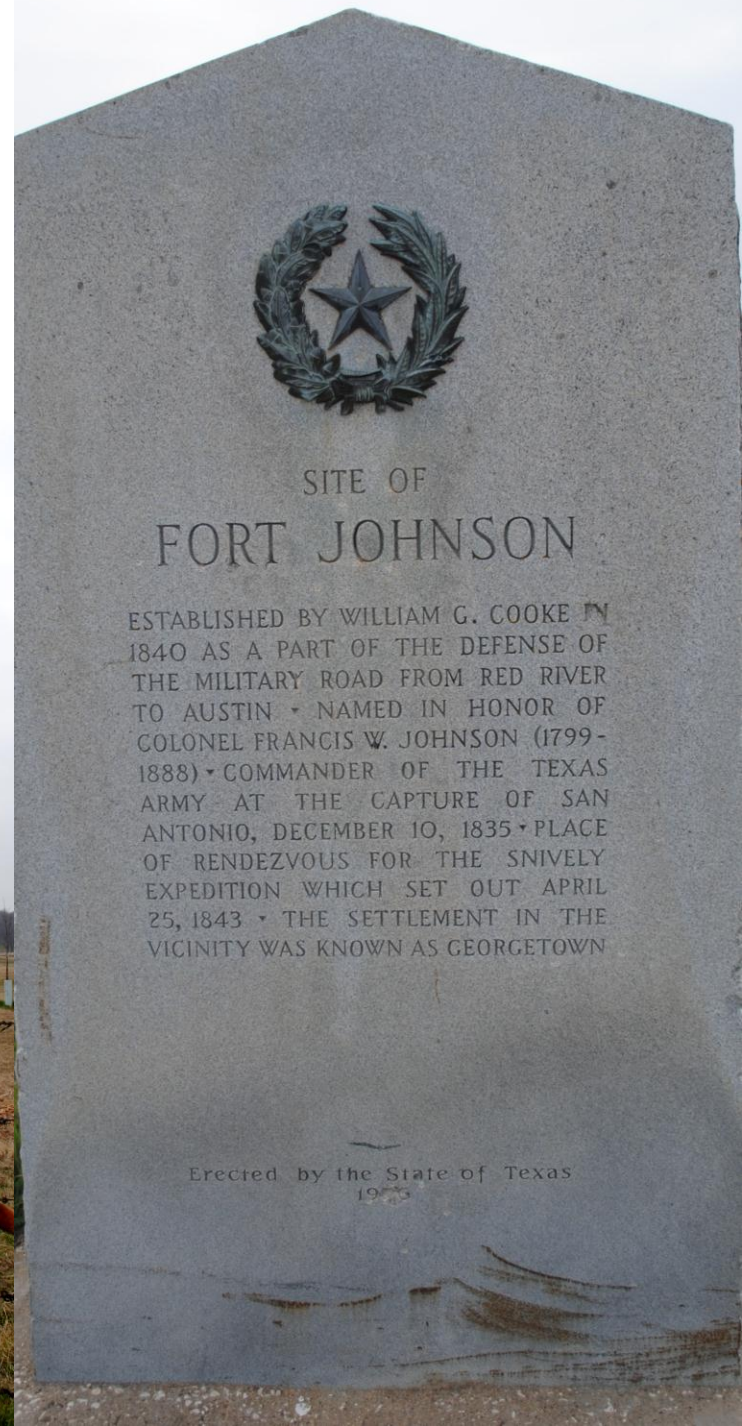


# Site of the Trading Post of Holland Coffee



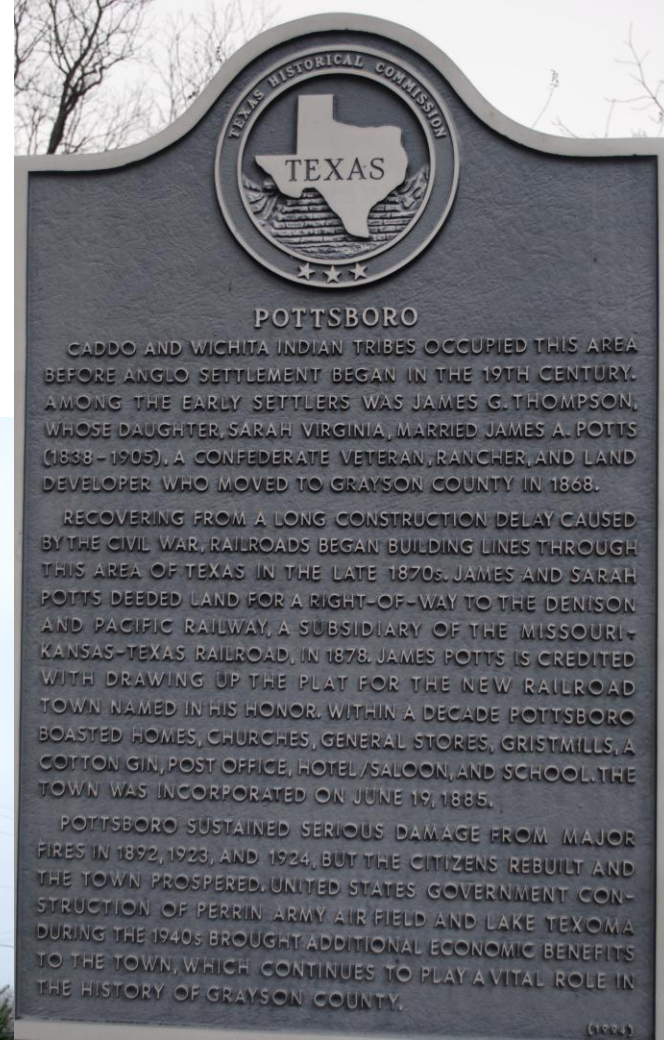


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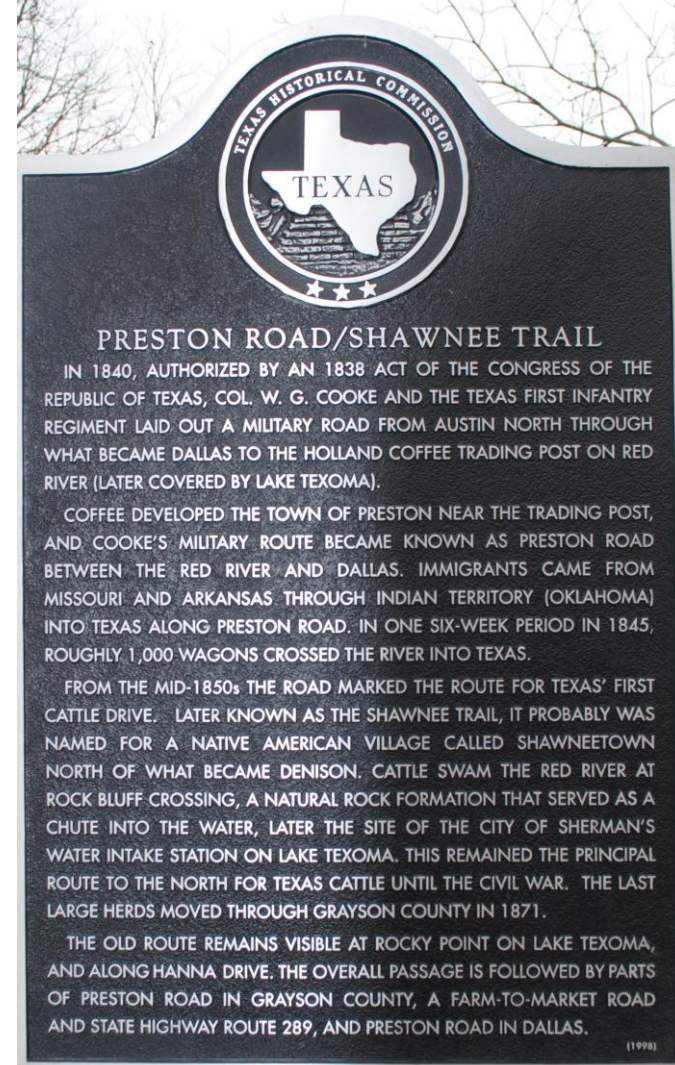


# Pottsboro





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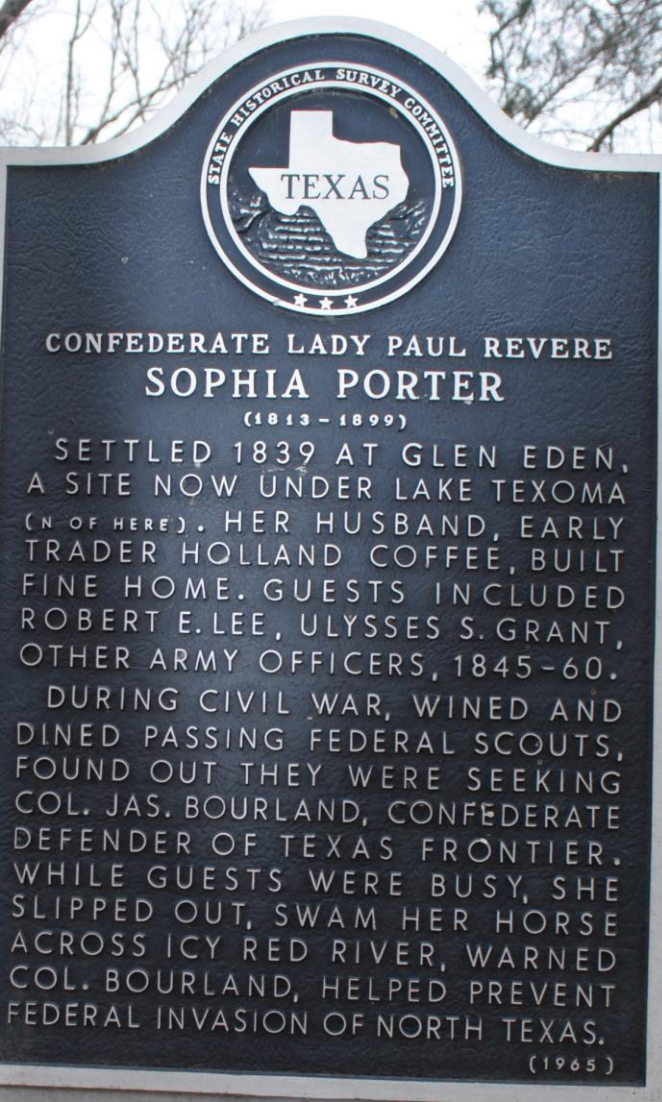


# Hagerman





# Sophia Porter

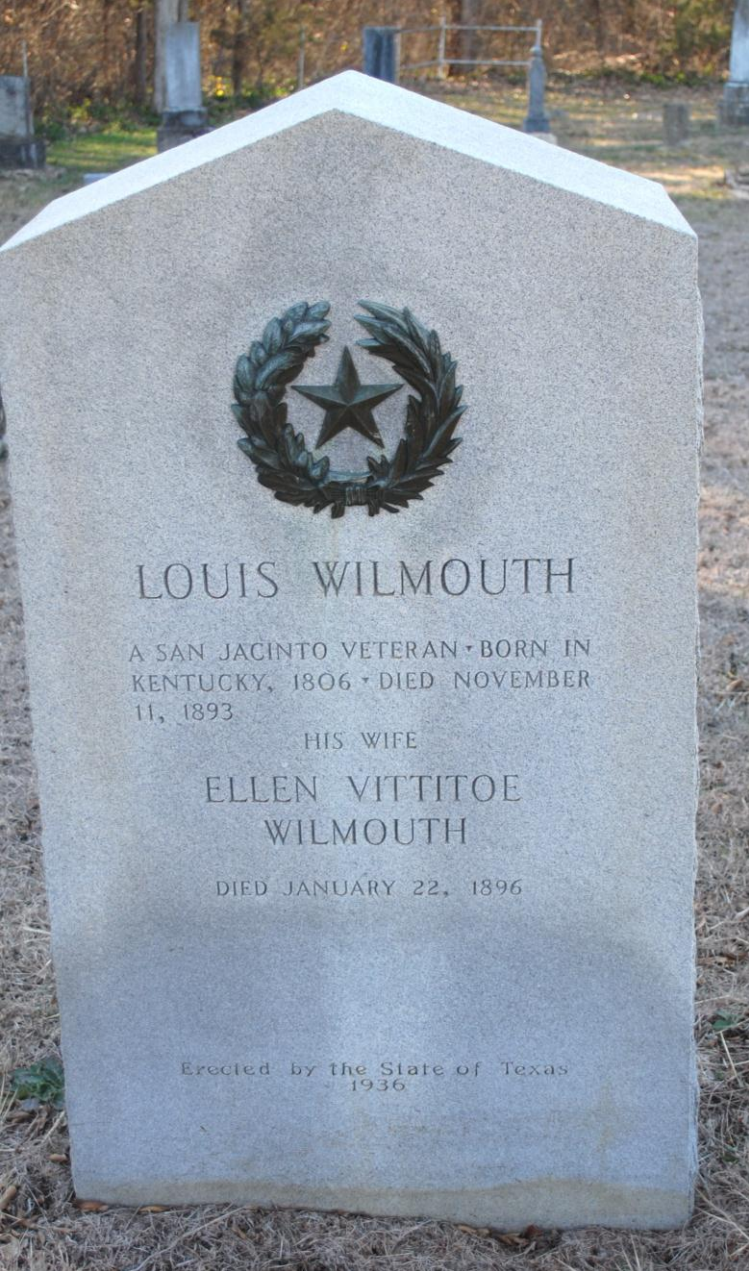




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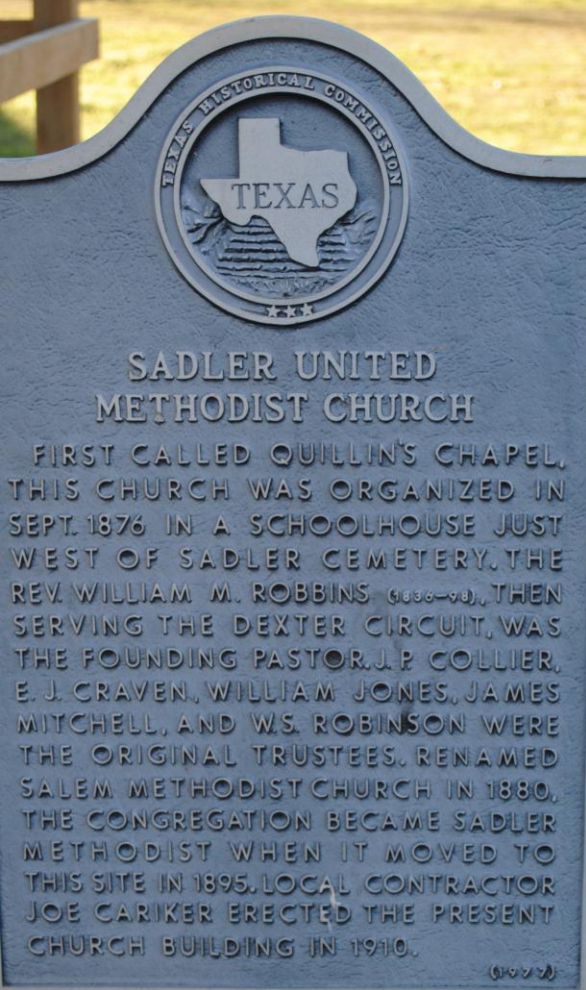


# Louis Wilmouth



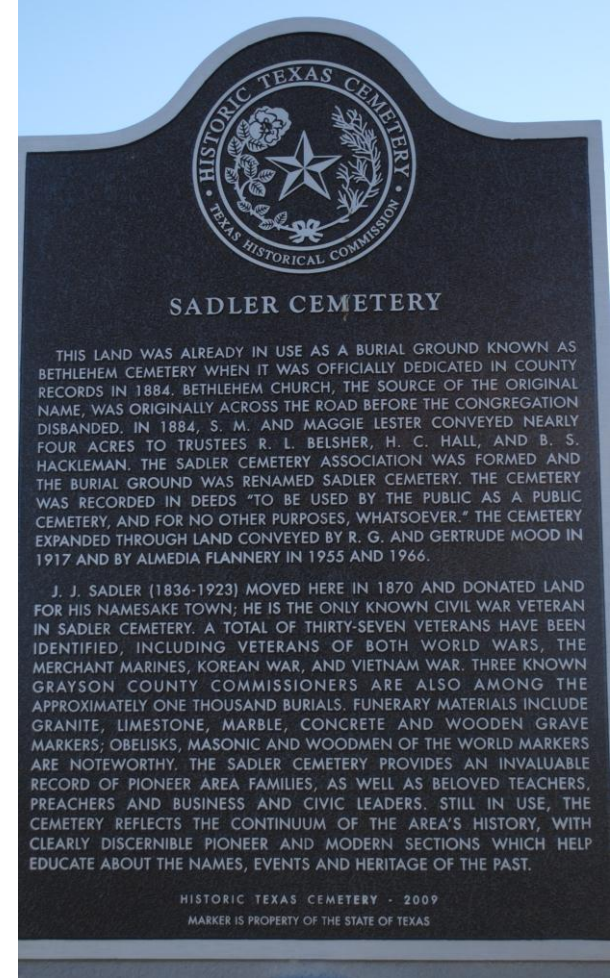
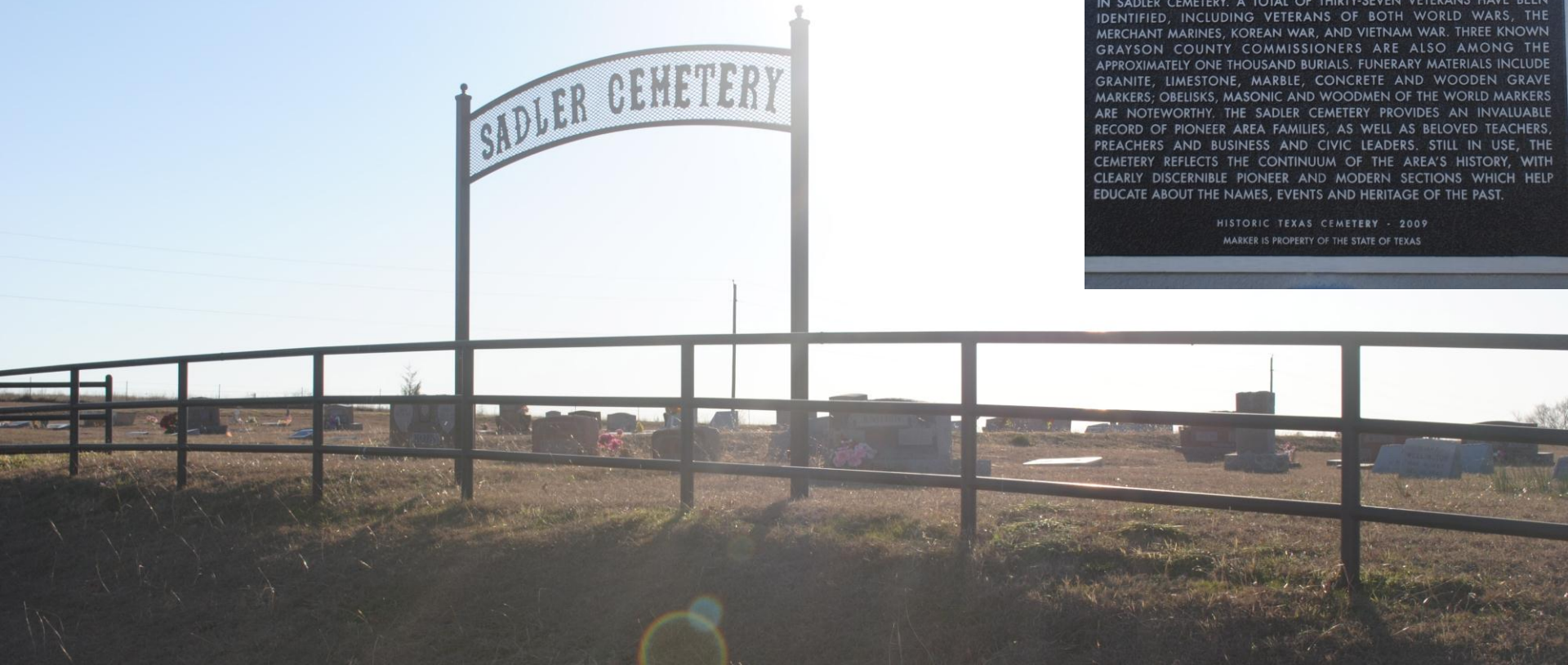


# Sadler United Methodist Church





# Sadler Cemetery



## SADLER CEMETERY

THIS LAND WAS ALREADY IN USE AS A BURIAL GROUND KNOWN AS BETHLEHEM CEMETERY WHEN IT WAS OFFICIALLY DEDICATED IN COUNTY RECORDS IN 1884. BETHLEHEM CHURCH, THE SOURCE OF THE ORIGINAL NAME, WAS ORIGINALLY ACROSS THE ROAD BEFORE THE CONGREGATION DISBANDED. IN 1884, S. M. AND MAGGIE LESTER CONVEYED NEARLY FOUR ACRES TO TRUSTEES R. L. BELSHER, H. C. HALL, AND B. S. HACKLEMAN. THE SADLER CEMETERY ASSOCIATION WAS FORMED AND THE BURIAL GROUND WAS RENAMED SADLER CEMETERY. THE CEMETERY WAS RECORDED IN DEEDS "TO BE USED BY THE PUBLIC AS A PUBLIC CEMETERY, AND FOR NO OTHER PURPOSES, WHATSOEVER." THE CEMETERY EXPANDED THROUGH LAND CONVEYED BY R. G. AND GERTRUDE MOOD IN 1917 AND BY ALMEDIA FLANNERY IN 1955 AND 1966.

J. J. SADLER (1836-1923) MOVED HERE IN 1870 AND DONATED LAND FOR HIS NAMESAKE TOWN; HE IS THE ONLY KNOWN CIVIL WAR VETERAN IN SADLER CEMETERY. A TOTAL OF THIRTY-SEVEN VETERANS HAVE BEEN IDENTIFIED, INCLUDING VETERANS OF BOTH WORLD WARS, THE MERCHANT MARINES, KOREAN WAR, AND VIETNAM WAR. THREE KNOWN GRAYSON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS ARE ALSO AMONG THE APPROXIMATELY ONE THOUSAND BURIALS. FUNERARY MATERIALS INCLUDE GRANITE, LIMESTONE, MARBLE, CONCRETE AND WOODEN GRAVE MARKERS; OBELISKS, MASONIC AND WOODMEN OF THE WORLD MARKERS ARE NOTEWORTHY. THE SADLER CEMETERY PROVIDES AN INVALUABLE RECORD OF PIONEER AREA FAMILIES, AS WELL AS BELOVED TEACHERS, PREACHERS AND BUSINESS AND CIVIC LEADERS. STILL IN USE, THE CEMETERY REFLECTS THE CONTINUUM OF THE AREA'S HISTORY, WITH CLEARLY DISCERNIBLE PIONEER AND MODERN SECTIONS WHICH HELP EDUCATE ABOUT THE NAMES, EVENTS AND HERITAGE OF THE PAST.

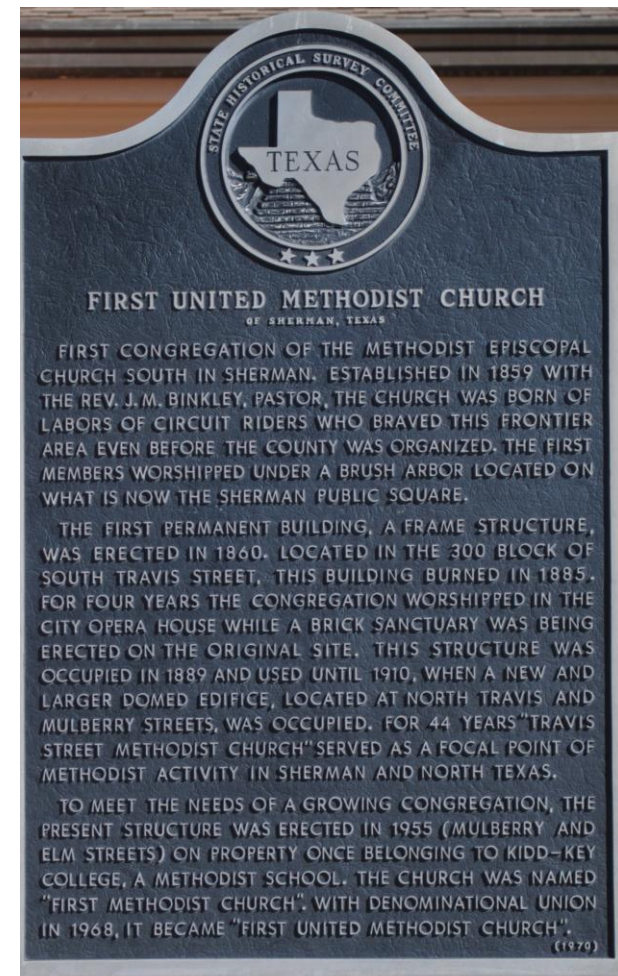
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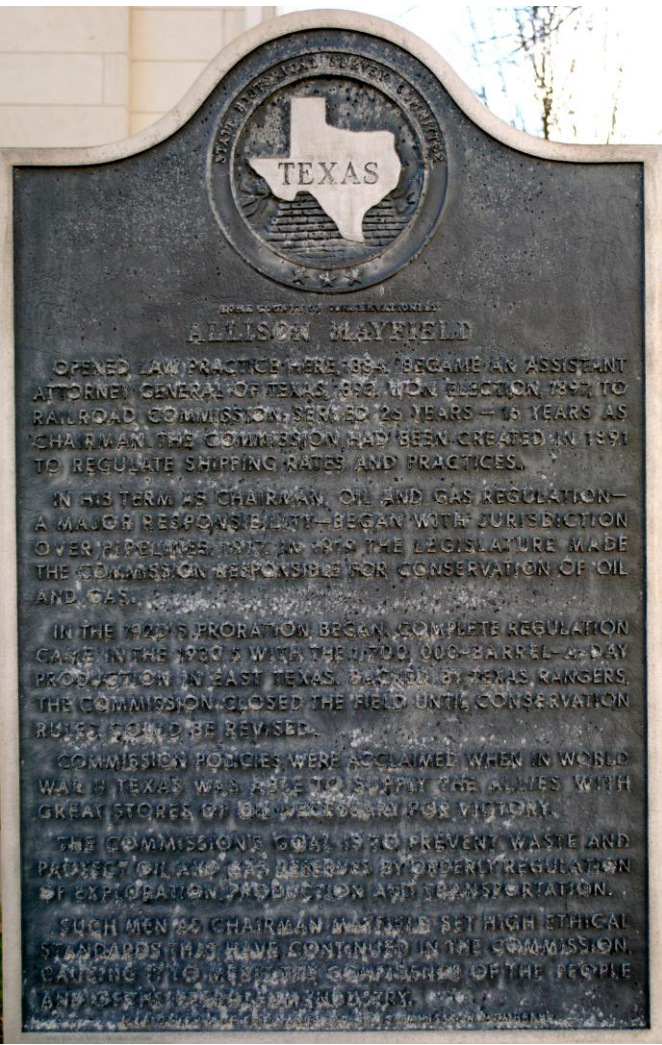


# First United Methodist Church of Sherman



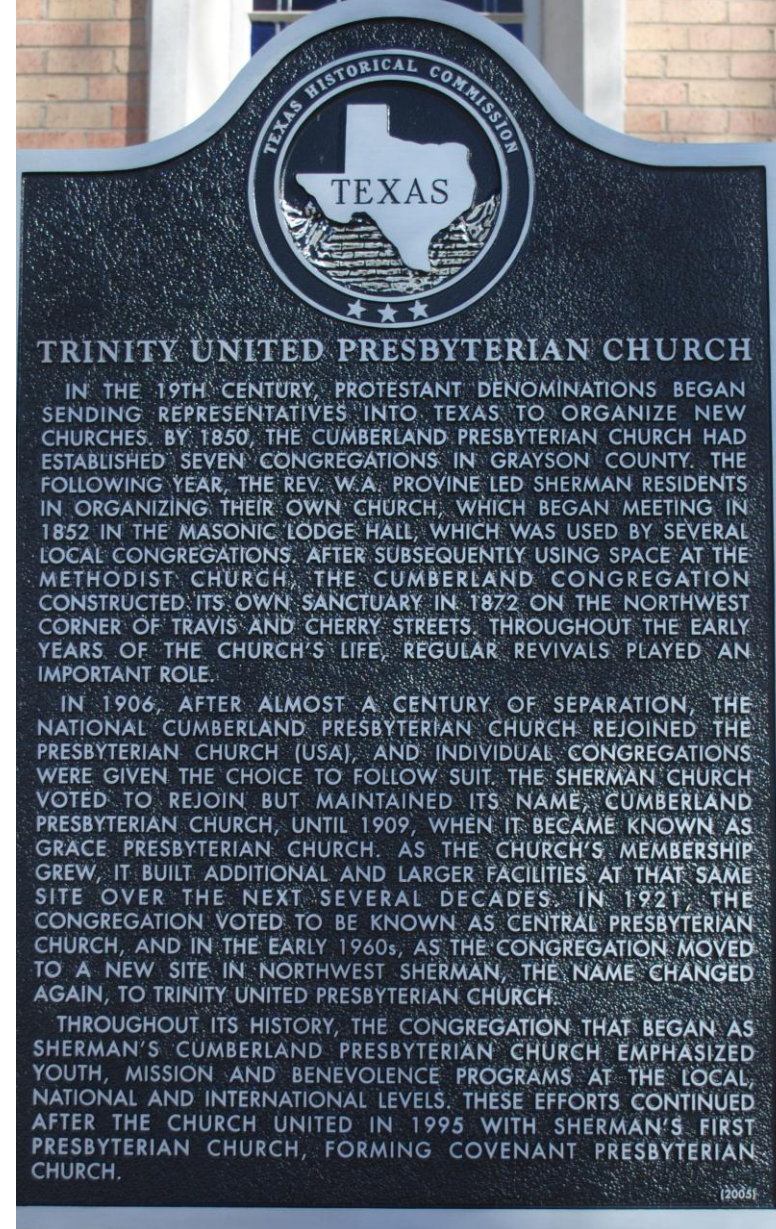


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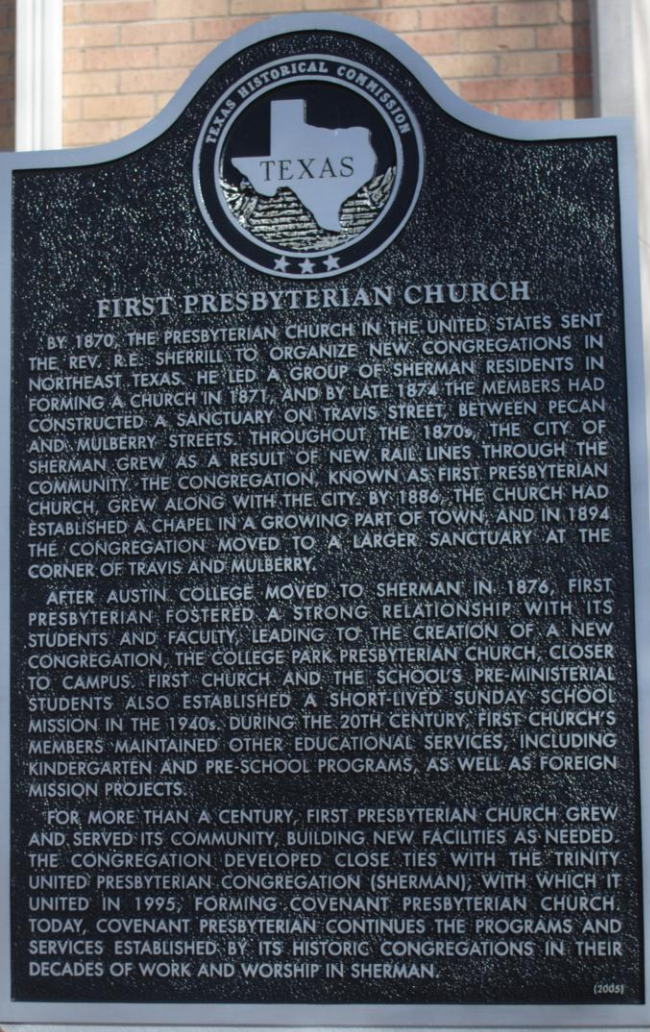


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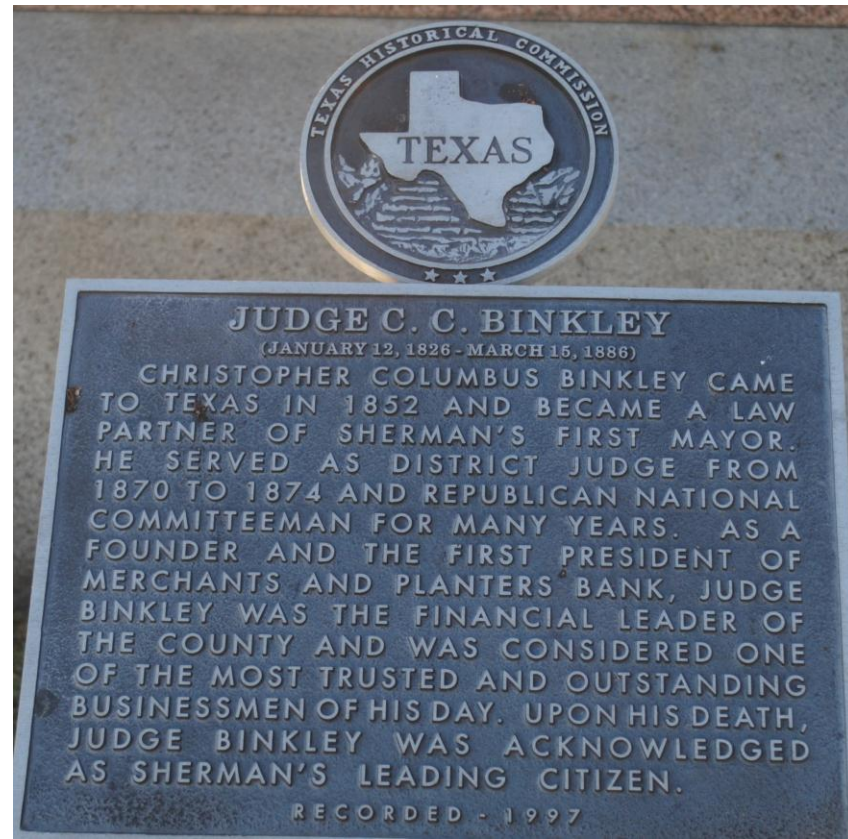


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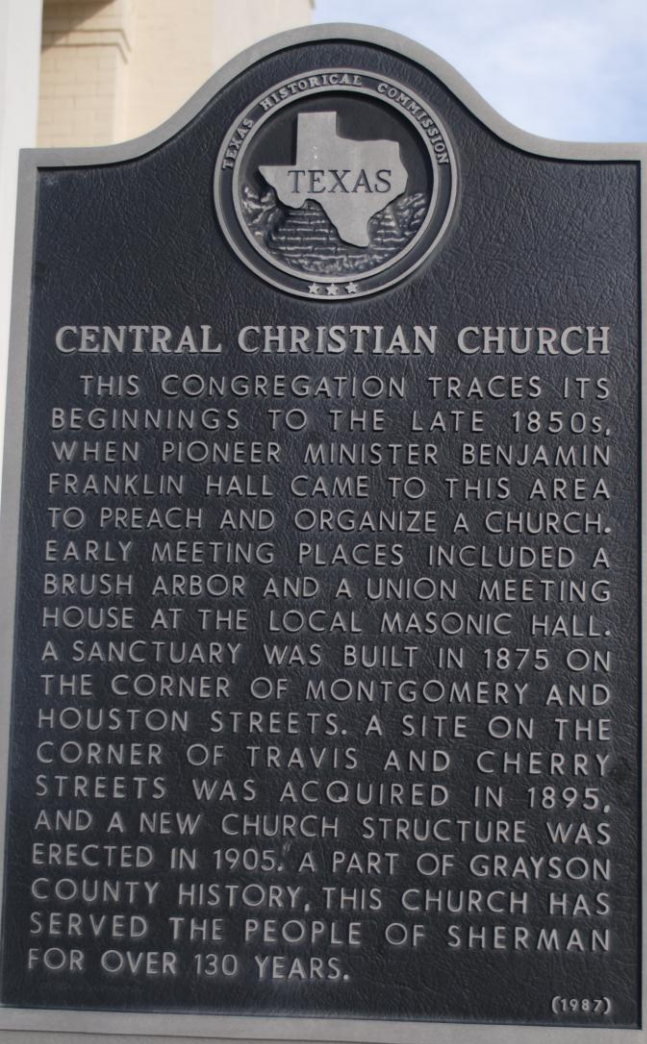


# Judge C.C. Binkley





# Central Christian Church







### OLIVE ANN OATMAN FAIRCHILD

(1837-1903)

CAPTURED IN ARIZONA AT AGE 13 (1851) BY YAVAPAI INDIANS, WHO MASSACRED 6 MEMBERS OF FAMILY. SOLD TO MOJAVE INDIANS, SHE WAS TREATED KINDLY BUT BORE MARK OF A SLAVE—BLUE, CACTUS NEEDLE TATTOO ON CHIN—FOR REST OF LIFE. RANSOMED BY ARMY AT FORT YUMA, 1856. LIVED IN CALIFORNIA, THEN NEW YORK. THERE SHE MARRIED J. B. FAIRCHILD IN 1865. ABOUT 1872 MOVED TO SHERMAN, WHERE HUSBAND FOUNDED CITY BANK. RESIDED IN SHERMAN UNTIL DEATH IN 1903.

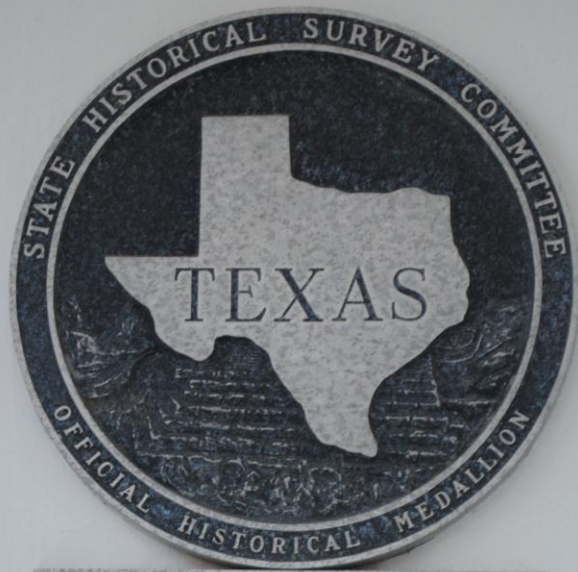
RECORDED 1970

# Oliveann Oatman Fairchild





# Friendship Methodist Church



FRIENDSHIP METHODIST  
CHURCH. ORGANIZED 1867 IN  
LOG SCHOOLHOUSE. IN 1892  
BUILT FIRST SANCTUARY;  
SECOND, 1914; ADDED GRAVES  
RECREATION HALL 1958.  
RECORDED TEXAS HISTORIC LANDMARK—1967



*Friendship*   
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH  
ELAINE BUSSET PASTOR



# Odd Fellow's Hall



**ODD FELLOWS' HALL**  
ERECTED IN 1875. THIRD MEETING PLACE FOR SHERMAN LODGE #45 SINCE ORGANIZATION SEPT. 27, 1854. CENTER OF COMMUNITY ACTIVITY; OPENED A SCHOOL (74 STUDENTS) 11 YEARS BEFORE FIRST CITY PUBLIC SCHOOL. AT JUNE 21, 1862, MEETING ALL MEMBERS EXCEPT ONE ELDERLY BROTHER LEFT FOR CONFEDERATE SERVICE. THIS MEETING WAS NOT OFFICIALLY CLOSED UNTIL WAR'S END. 3 GRAND MASTERS OF TEXAS AND 1 SOVEREIGN GRAND MASTER OF THE WORLD CAME FROM MEMBERSHIP. RECORDED TEXAS HISTORIC LANDMARK - 1985



# St. Mary's Catholic Church



## ST. MARY'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

THE FIRST RECORDED MASS IN SHERMAN TOOK PLACE IN 1872, AND THREE YEARS LATER BISHOP CLAUDE DUBUIS OF THE DIOCESE OF GALVESTON CREATED A PARISH HERE AND SENT THE REV. LOUIS GRANGER TO SERVE AS FIRST PASTOR. A WOODEN CHAPEL HOUSED WORSHIP SERVICES UNTIL THIS CHURCH BUILDING WAS COMPLETED IN 1906. ST. MARY'S IS AN EXCELLENT EXAMPLE OF THE WORK OF NOTED GALVESTON ARCHITECT NICHOLAS CLAYTON, WHO INCLUDED GOTHIC AND ROMANESQUE ELEMENTS IN HIS DESIGN. BUILT BY CONTRACTOR WILLIAM CORNISH & SONS, THE CHURCH IS A SIGNIFICANT PART OF SHERMAN'S ARCHITECTURAL HERITAGE.

RECORDED TEXAS HISTORIC LANDMARK 2001



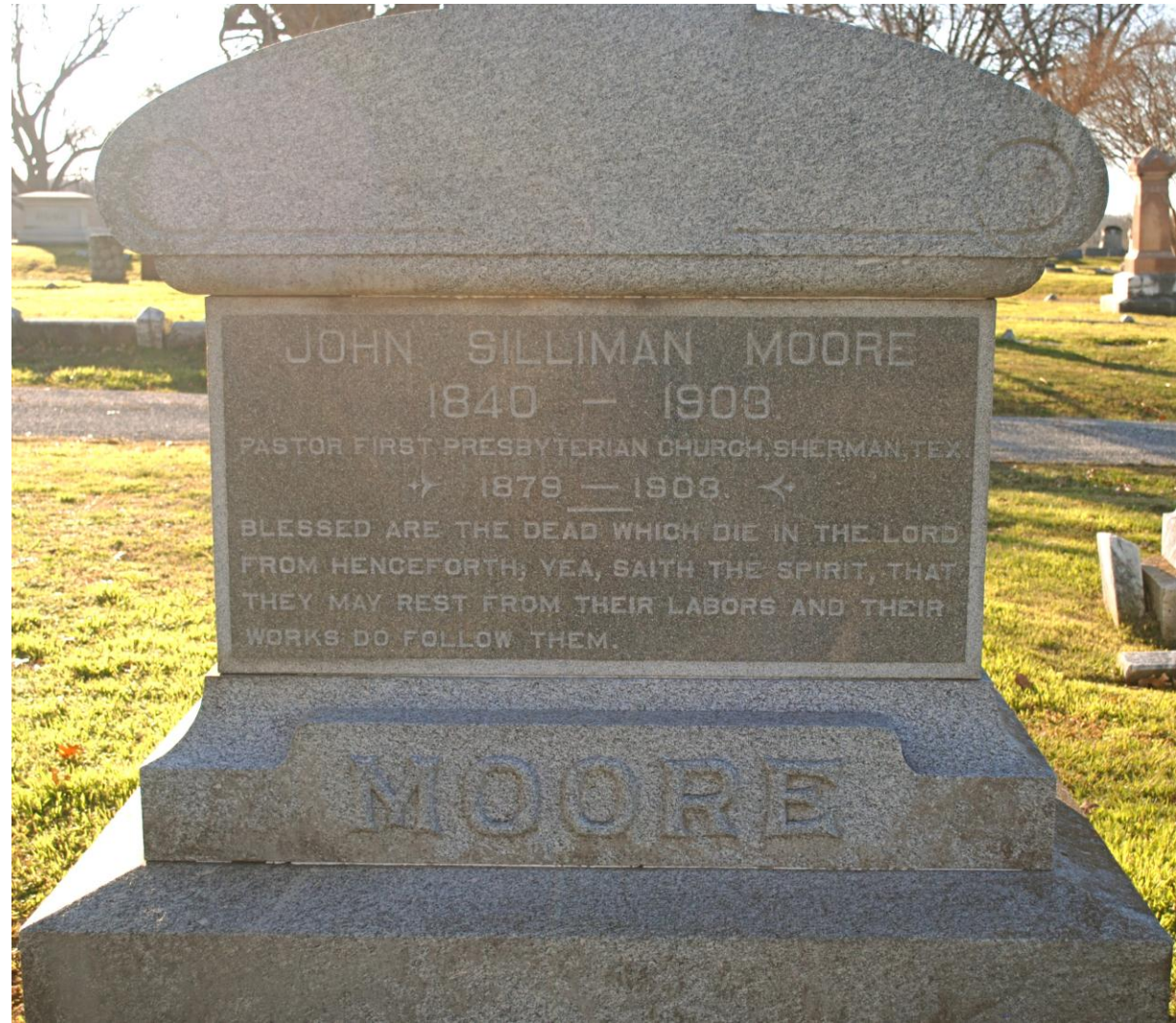


### THE REV. JOHN SILLIMAN MOORE

BORN IN MISSISSIPPI IN 1840, JOHN SILLIMAN MOORE ATTENDED COLLEGE IN GEORGIA BEFORE SERVING IN THE CIVIL WAR, WHERE HE WAS WOUNDED AT SEVEN PINES, CHANCELLORSVILLE AND GETTYSBURG. IN 1870, AFTER GRADUATING FROM THE PRESBYTERIAN SEMINARY IN COLUMBIA, SOUTH CAROLINA, HE PASTORED CHURCHES IN JEFFERSON, TYLER, MCKINNEY AND THEN SHERMAN, TEXAS, WHERE HE LED THE FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH FROM 1879 UNTIL HIS DEATH IN 1903. HE SAT ON AUSTIN COLLEGE'S BOARD OF TRUSTEES FROM c. 1875 TO 1902, HELPING RELOCATE THE SCHOOL FROM HUNTSVILLE TO SHERMAN.

RECORDED - 2002

# The Rev. John Silliman Moore



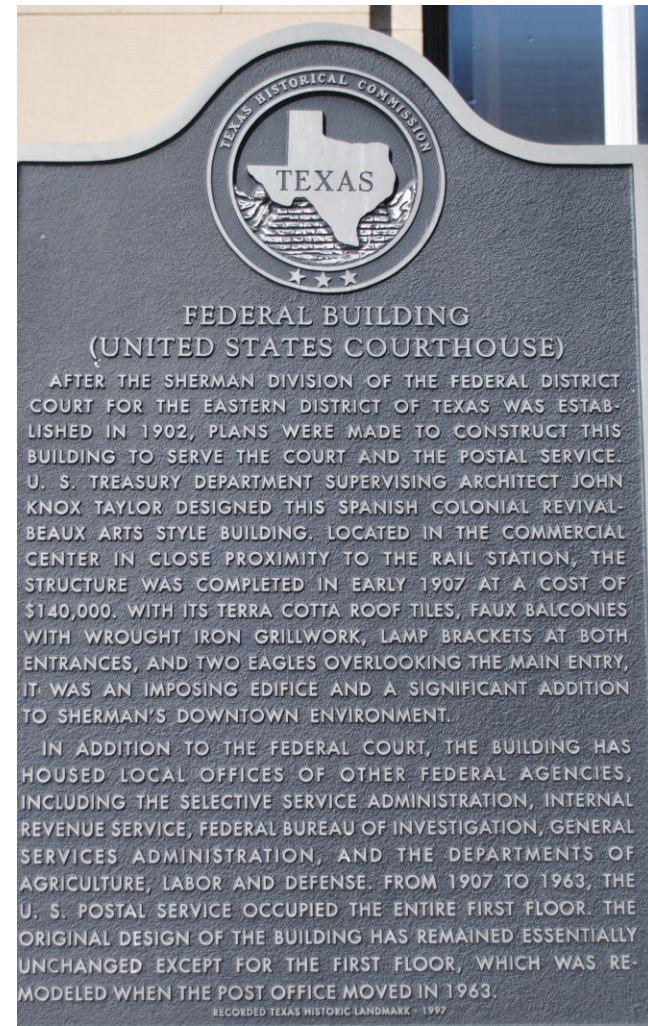


# Merchants and Planters National Bank





# Federal Building (United States Courthouse)







# Andrew Hanson

## ANDREW HANSON (1855 - 1940)

OWNED SHERMAN'S FIRST BAKERY FOR 35 YEARS. BORN IN SCHLESWIG-HOLSTEIN, DENMARK. CAME TO UNITED STATES, 1872, AND TO TEXAS, 1878. WITH F.W. BOEDEKER (WHOSE INTEREST HE SOON BOUGHT) STARTED THE STAR BAKERY, 1879. HAD FIRST DELIVERY SERVICE, FIRST COMMERCIALY MADE ICE CREAM IN TOWN. BUILT FAMILY RESIDENCES AT TWO MIDTOWN SITES.

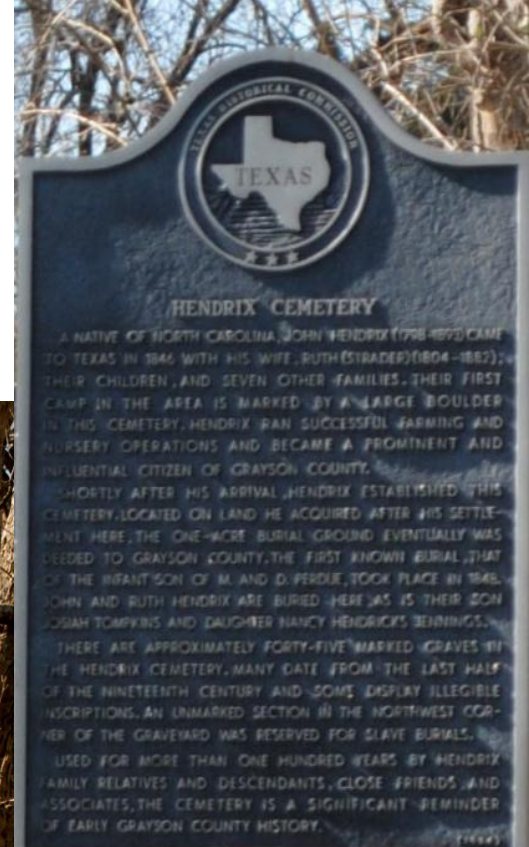
MARRIED (1880) ANNA LUNDORF; HAD 4 CHILDREN. HIS FATHER, MOTHER, AND BROTHERS CAME FROM DENMARK TO JOIN HIM. ALL ARE BURIED HERE.

RECORDED - 1972





# Hendrix Cemetery







# Capt. John Henry LeTellier

CAPT. JOHN HENRY LETELLIER  
(JANUARY 21, 1842—JULY 18, 1913)

BORN IN VIRGINIA. EDUCATED AT BETHANY COLLEGE. IN 1861 HE JOINED CONFEDERATE ARMY, SERVING IN CO. K, 24TH VA. INF. FOUGHT IN BATTLES OF MANASSAS, WILLIAMSBURG, SEVEN PINES, GETTYSBURG AND OTHERS.

RECEIVED SEVERAL WOUNDS, ONE SERIOUS (AT PLYMOUTH). RESUMED TEACHING AT END OF WAR. CAME TO TEXAS AND OPERATED THE SHERMAN PRIVATE SCHOOL, 1871-1913.

A DYNAMIC TEACHER AND EXPERT IN MATH, HE TAUGHT MANY PERSONS WHO LATER ROSE TO PROMINENCE.

RECORDED—1969

CAPT. J. H. LETELLIER

1842 — 1913



# Pool Manufacturing Company





# Butterfield Overland Mail Route







# Old Sherman Public Library

## OLD SHERMAN PUBLIC LIBRARY

A SUBSCRIPTION LIBRARY WAS ESTABLISHED IN SHERMAN IN 1901 AND HOUSED IN A RENTED ROOM. IN 1911, THE CITY SUBMITTED A REQUEST TO THE ANDREW CARNEGIE FOUNDATION AND RECEIVED \$20,000 FOR A LIBRARY. THIS LOT WAS PURCHASED IN 1912 FOR \$2500 AND PLANS WERE DRAWN FOR A STRUCTURE OF SIMPLIFIED BEAUX-ARTS STYLING BY LOCAL ARCHITECT JOHN TULLOCH (1860-1947). THE BUILDING SERVED AS A LIBRARY FROM 1915 UNTIL 1973. OF NOTE ARE THE THREE INTERIOR MURALS, COMPLETED IN 1934.  
RECORDED TEXAS HISTORIC LANDMARK - 1986

ENTERED IN  
THE NATIONAL REGISTER  
OF HISTORIC PLACES

1990





# Lee Simmons



**LEE SIMMONS**  
(1873-1957)

RAN FOR SHERIFF AT REQUEST OF CITIZENS OF DENISON. ELECTED IN 1912 AND SERVED TWO YEARS.

WAS APPOINTED BY GOVERNOR PA NEFF TO SPECIAL COMMISSION IN 1920'S TO INSPECT TEXAS PRISON SYSTEM; NAMED BY GOVERNOR DAN MOODY TO PRISON BOARD, 1928; IN 1930 BECAME GENERAL MANAGER OF PRISON SYSTEM, WHERE HE MADE AN OUTSTANDING RECORD.

ORGANIZED PRISON RODEO. DIED BEFORE COMPLETING AUTOBIOGRAPHY "ASSIGNMENT HUNTSVILLE".

RECORDED-1967





# Washington Iron Works Inc.



## WASHINGTON IRON WORKS, INC.

IN 1875 SOLON TOTTEN (1847-1932) MADE TWO HORSEBACK TRIPS TO TEXAS FROM QUINCY, ILLINOIS, SEARCHING FOR BETTER CONDITIONS FOR THE FAMILY BLACKSMITH BUSINESS. FINDING STAGE COMPANIES OPERATING OUT OF SHERMAN WHICH REQUIRED BLACKSMITH SERVICES, HE PERSUADED HIS FATHER AND FAMILY TO MOVE HERE. IN 1876 SOLON AND HIS BROTHER LEVI TOTTEN (1844-1915) OPENED "TOTTEN BROS. BLACKSMITH" ON CHERRY STREET. THE BUSINESS MADE WHEELS FOR FREIGHT WAGONS AND STAGECOACHES AND REPAIRED THE VEHICLES.

L. L. ROUSSEL, ADOLPH AND MAX SEISFELD, NOAH SWAIN AND LEVI AND SOLON TOTTEN WERE THE ORIGINAL STOCKHOLDERS. THE NAME CHANGED IN 1881 TO "WASHINGTON IRON WORKS". IN 1890 THE FIRM MOVED TO EAST LAMAR STREET AND SETTLED HERE. BY 1893 THE TOTTEN BROTHERS AND THEIR FATHER JOSEPH (1821-1906) GAINED FULL OWNERSHIP. IT REMAINS IN THE TOTTEN FAMILY. AFTER 1904 SOLON OPERATED THE COMPANY WITH HIS SONS HARRY (1877-1964) AND JESSE (1880-1940) UNTIL HE RETIRED IN 1922. HAROLD TOTTEN (1900-1969) RAN THE COMPANY WITH HIS FATHER HARRY AFTER JESSE'S DEATH.

THE FOUNDRY SECTION CLOSED IN 1938. DURING WORLD WAR II, THE SHOP MADE GUN BARREL MOLDS. THIS INDUSTRY, THE OLDEST IN SHERMAN, HAS EXPANDED TO A WORLDWIDE SERVICE FOR OIL AND GAS PROCESSING, PETROCHEMICAL PLANTS, POWER GENERATION AND MARINE INTERESTS.

(1978)







# Mita Holsapple Hall





# Old Cedar Community







# Jesse P. Loving

## JESSE P. LOVING

(1835 - 1919)

MISSOURI NATIVE JESSE "JESS" P. LOVING CAME TO TEXAS WITH HIS FAMILY IN 1847. THEY SETTLED FIRST NEAR RELATIVES IN DENTON COUNTY, AND MOVED TO SHERMAN IN GRAYSON COUNTY IN 1852. LOVING MARRIED LYDIA ELLEN BOMAR IN 1859. A CONFEDERATE VETERAN, HE BECAME A PROMINENT CIVIC LEADER, SERVING MULTIPLE TERMS AS COUNTY TREASURER AND STATE REPRESENTATIVE. IN 1879 LOVING WAS THE DRIVING FORCE BEHIND THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE OLD SETTLERS ASSOCIATION OF GRAYSON COUNTY. JESSE AND LYDIA LOVING WERE CHARTER MEMBERS OF THE HOUSTON STREET CHRISTIAN CHURCH AND WERE THE PARENTS OF NINE CHILDREN.

RECORDED - 2000







## PETER W. GRAYSON

PETER WAGENER GRAYSON WAS BORN IN 1788 IN BARDSTOWN, VIRGINIA (LATER PART OF KENTUCKY) TO BENJAMIN AND CAROLINE (TAYLOR) GRAYSON, MEMBERS OF A POLITICALLY PROMINENT FAMILY. HE SERVED IN THE WAR OF 1812 AND WORKED IN LOUISVILLE AS AN ATTORNEY, BUSINESSMAN AND LEGISLATOR. WELL-SPOKEN IN LEGAL MATTERS AND ALSO A POET, HE NEVERTHELESS AMASSED SUBSTANTIAL DEBTS AND PRIVATELY COMBATED MENTAL ILLNESS. IN 1830, GRAYSON WROTE TO STEPHEN F. AUSTIN ABOUT ACQUIRING LAND IN TEXAS, AND BY 1832 HE HAD ESTABLISHED A PLANTATION NEAR MATAGORDA. HE ALSO BECAME A FRIEND AND ADVISOR TO AUSTIN.

DURING AUSTIN'S IMPRISONMENT IN MEXICO CITY IN 1834, GRAYSON AND SPENCER JACK WENT THERE WITH PETITIONS IN HOPES OF FREEING THE EMPRESARIO. IN DECEMBER 1834, THEY SECURED AUSTIN'S BAIL, ALTHOUGH HE WAS NOT FREE TO LEAVE UNTIL THE FOLLOWING SUMMER. SETTLERS BEGAN PREPARATIONS FOR REVOLUTION SOON AFTER AUSTIN RETURNED TO TEXAS, AND GRAYSON WORKED WITH HIM TO OUTLINE AN INDEPENDENT GOVERNMENT. GRAYSON ALSO SERVED AS PRESIDENT OF THE COUNCIL OF WAR AND AIDE-DE-CAMP TO BOTH AUSTIN AND GEN. EDWARD BURLESON. AFTER TEXAS' VICTORY AT SAN JACINTO ON APRIL 21, 1836, GRAYSON ACTED AS INTERPRETER AND ATTORNEY GENERAL, SIGNING THE TREATIES OF VELASCO ON MAY 14, 1836.

GRAYSON WENT WITH OTHERS TO WASHINGTON, D.C. TO GAIN RECOGNITION OF THE TEXAS REPUBLIC AND DISCUSS ANNEXATION TO THE UNITED STATES, BUT THE EFFORTS WERE UNSUCCESSFUL. HE SERVED AS TEXAS ATTORNEY GENERAL AND AS NAVAL AGENT, AND WAS SAM HOUSTON'S CANDIDATE FOR THE TEXAS PRESIDENCY IN 1838. ON JULY 9 OF THAT YEAR, THOUGH, WHILE TRAVELING THROUGH TENNESSEE, GRAYSON TOOK HIS LIFE, LEAVING A NOTE THAT HIS PREVIOUS MENTAL ILLNESS HAD RETURNED. IN 1846, FOLLOWING THE EVENTUAL ANNEXATION OF TEXAS TO THE UNITED STATES, THE TEXAS LEGISLATURE CREATED GRAYSON COUNTY, NAMING IT FOR THE TEXAS PATRIOT.

[2005]

# Peter W. Grayson



# Grayson County, C.S.A





# Lyon House



## LYON HOUSE

BUILT BEFORE 1897, THIS VICTORIAN HOUSE WAS DESIGNED BY GERMAN-BORN JOHN TOLLOUCH AND OCCUPIED BY HARDWARE MERCHANT GEORGE E. HARDWICKE (1855-1923) UNTIL 1899. THE PROPERTY WAS PURCHASED IN 1902 BY DUPONT LYON (1876-1946), THEN AN OFFICER IN THE U.S. ARMY. HE BECAME A DAIRY FARMER AND LUMBERMAN AFTER SETTLING HERE, AND SERVED AS MAYOR OF SHERMAN (1913-15). LYON JOINED THE ARMY AGAIN IN WORLD WAR I AND ATTAINED THE RANK OF MAJOR BEFORE RETIRING IN 1932. IN THE 1930s, LYON MADE MINOR REPAIRS AND ADDITIONS TO THE HOUSE. IT WAS PURCHASED AND RESTORED IN 1974 BY ROBERT J. TATE.

(1975)





# Metz House



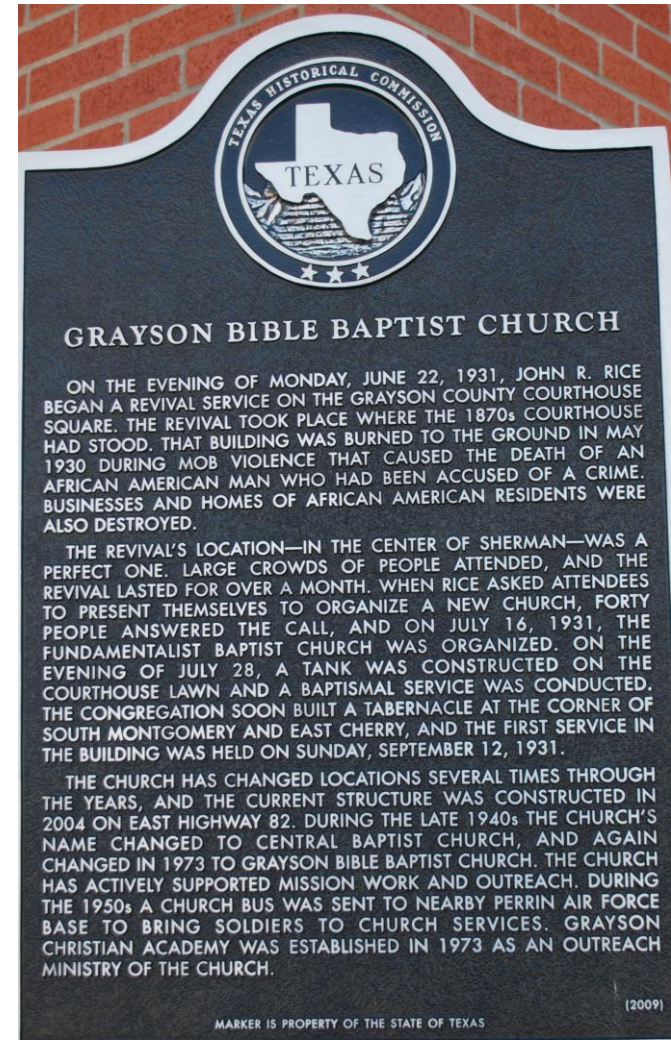
## METZ HOUSE

EDWARD METZ (1854-1913) CAME TO TEXAS FROM MICHIGAN AS A YOUNG MAN TO JOIN HIS BROTHER, CHARLES, IN A LEATHER GOODS BUSINESS. IN THE 1870s, THEY BUILT A PROFITABLE TRADE, BUYING BUFFALO HIDES AND OTHER FURS FROM INDIAN TRIBES IN OKLAHOMA TO SELL TO EASTERN MARKETS. METZ IS CREDITED WITH HELPING KEEP PEACE BETWEEN THE INDIANS AND SETTLERS IN GRAYSON COUNTY. IN 1883 HE BUILT THIS HOUSE, WITH VICTORIAN FISH SCALE SIDING, AS A PRESENT FOR HIS BRIDE, LILLIAN (CRAYCROFT). OCCUPIED FROM 1909 TO 1939 BY PROMINENT LOCAL PHYSICIAN DR. J. D. MEADOW, IT WAS RESTORED IN 1975-76 BY BYRON RICE (b. 1957).  
RECORDED TEXAS HISTORIC LANDMARK-1976



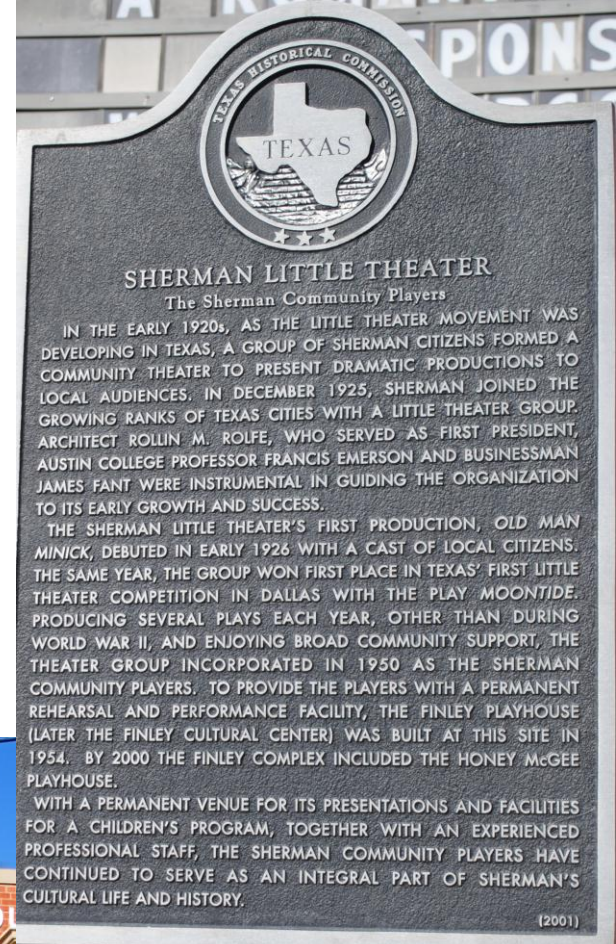


# Grayson Bible Baptist Church





# Sherman Little Theater (The Sherman Community Players)







## THE REV. J. M. BINKLEY

(FEBRUARY 26, 1833 - JANUARY 13, 1916)

JACOB MONROE BINKLEY CAME TO TEXAS FROM TENNESSEE IN 1852. BEFORE BEING LICENSED TO PREACH IN 1855 HE WAS AN EFFECTIVE ORATOR FOR THE CAUSE OF TEMPERANCE. IN 1859 HE ORGANIZED AND WAS FIRST PASTOR OF THE CHURCH LATER KNOWN AS FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH OF SHERMAN. FROM 1865 UNTIL HIS DEATH, THE REV. MR. BINKLEY WAS A METHODIST PRESIDING ELDER, RETAINING HIS SHERMAN RESIDENCE. A STRONG SUPPORTER OF EDUCATION, HE WAS BOARD CHAIRMAN AT SOUTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY AND KIDD-KEY COLLEGE.

RECORDED - 1997

# The Rev. J.M. Binkley





# Fred Douglass School



## FRED DOUGLASS SCHOOL

NAMED FOR THE FAMED 19TH CENTURY AFRICAN AMERICAN ORATOR FREDERICK DOUGLASS, THE FRED DOUGLASS SCHOOL WAS CREATED AS ONE OF SHERMAN'S FIRST THREE PUBLIC SCHOOLS IN 1879. TWO HOUSES ONE BLOCK WEST OF THIS SITE WERE RENTED FOR THE EDUCATION OF THE AREA'S AFRICAN AMERICAN CHILDREN. IN THE FIRST YEARS OF THE FRED DOUGLASS SCHOOL THE NUMBER OF STUDENTS WAS ABOUT 85. BY 1907 THE SCHOOL'S POPULATION WAS 350.

FIRE PLAGUED THE FRED DOUGLASS SCHOOL: IN 1904 AND AGAIN IN 1919 THE WOOD BUILDINGS WERE DESTROYED. IN 1920 A THREE-STORY BRICK STRUCTURE WAS ERRECTED AT THE CORNER OF COLLEGE AND EAST STREETS. THE SCHOOL GREW RAPIDLY, AND BY 1939 PLANS FOR EXPANSION WERE NECESSARY. IN 1943, EDUCATIONAL IMPROVEMENTS BEGAN TO TAKE PLACE. MORE FACULTY MEMBERS HAD ADVANCED DEGREES AND THE CURRICULUM WAS EXPANDED TO INCLUDE AFRICAN AMERICAN HISTORY, BUSINESS AND VOCATIONAL COURSES. A NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY CHAPTER WAS FORMED, AND THE SPORTS PROGRAM WAS EXPANDED.

A MODERN BUILDING WAS ERRECTED IN 1957; TEN YEARS LATER, THE SCHOOL DISTRICT BECAME FULLY INTEGRATED, AND THE FRED DOUGLASS SCHOOL BECAME THE DISTRICT'S SPECIAL EDUCATION FACILITY. IN THE LATE 20TH CENTURY IT REMAINED THE CENTER FOR A VARIETY OF PROGRAMS FOR ALL SHERMAN STUDENTS.

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# The Great Sherman Storm of 1896



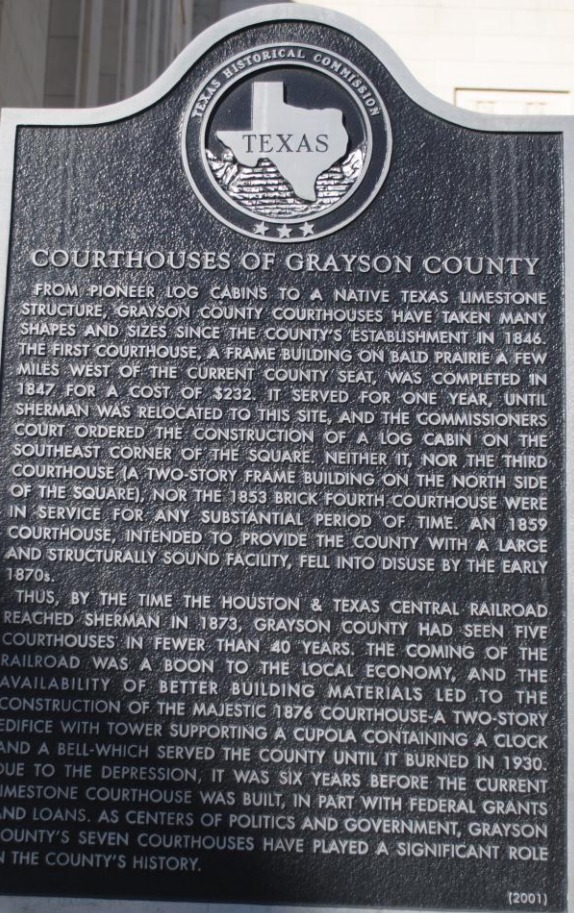
## THE GREAT SHERMAN STORM OF 1896

IN THE LATE AFTERNOON OF FRIDAY, MAY 15, 1896, A DISASTROUS TORNADO SWEEPED SHERMAN, KILLING ABOUT 66 PERSONS, INJURING MANY OTHERS, AND CAUSING SEVERE PROPERTY DAMAGE. THE TWISTER TOUCHED DOWN NEAR HERE, THEN CUT A 2-MILE-LONG PATH THROUGH THE CITY. THE SAME FUNNEL AND SEVERAL SMALLER ONES STRUCK AT OTHER LOCATIONS IN THE AREA. MOST OF THE STORM'S VICTIMS WERE BURIED IN THIS CEMETERY. AFTER THE TRAGEDY, CITIZENS OF SHERMAN AND NEIGHBORING TOWNS HELPED WITH THE REBUILDING, AND RELIEF CONTRIBUTIONS WERE SENT FROM MANY DISTANT PLACES.

(1975)



# Courthouse of Grayson County





# Austin College

## AUSTIN COLLEGE

OLDEST COLLEGE IN TEXAS OPERATING UNDER ORIGINAL CHARTER. FOUNDED IN 1849 BY THE PRESBYTERY OF BRAZOS UNDER LEADERSHIP OF DANIEL BAKER. NAMED FOR STEPHEN F. AUSTIN, FATHER OF TEXAS. OPENED IN HUNTSVILLE WITH SAM HOUSTON, ANSON JONES, AND HENDERSON YOAKUM—TEXAS STATESMEN—AMONG ORIGINAL TRUSTEES. BELL DONATED BY HOUSTON HANGS IN PRESENT CHAPEL. FOR YEARS COMPETENCE IN GREEK AND LATIN WAS REQUIRED FOR ADMITTANCE.

IN 1855 OPENED THE FIRST LAW SCHOOL IN STATE, AND BECAME THE FIRST COLLEGE IN TEXAS TO AWARD GRADUATE DEGREES IN 1856. HAD THE FIRST CHAPTER IN TEXAS OF ANY NATIONAL FRATERNITY (PHI DELTA THETA). REMAINED OPEN DURING CIVIL WAR ALTHOUGH MOST STUDENTS JOINED CONFEDERATE ARMY. POST-WAR PROBLEMS AND EPIDEMICS CAUSED MOVE TO SHERMAN IN 1876. OLDEST BUILDING IS LUCKETT HALL (1908), THE FIRST BUILDING ON THIS CAMPUS HAVING BEEN DESTROYED BY ARSON IN 1913.

ERECTED FIRST COLLEGE Y.M.C.A. BUILDING WEST OF THE MISSISSIPPI RIVER, 1911. IN WORLD WAR I, COOPERATED WITH THE STUDENT ARMY TRAINING CORPS AND ADMITTED FIRST COEDS. IN WORLD WAR II, AIDED ARMY AIR TRAINING CORPS.

FOUNDED TO SERVE YOUTH OF PIONEER FAMILIES, COLLEGE NOW ENROLLS STUDENTS FROM ALL OVER THE WORLD AND IS A LEADER IN CREATIVE CHRISTIAN LIBERAL ARTS EDUCATION.

(1970)





# Thomas Jefferson Shannon







# The Reverend J.H. Reynolds

## THE REVEREND J.H. REYNOLDS

KENTUCKY NATIVE JOHN HUMPHREYS REYNOLDS SERVED AS A METHODIST CIRCUIT RIDER IN TENNESSEE, WHERE HE MARRIED AND BEGAN A FAMILY. IN 1879, HE MOVED HIS MINISTRY TO TEXAS, WORKING TO SERVE CHURCHES IN THE NORTH CENTRAL PART OF THE STATE. IN SHERMAN, HE ORGANIZED THE WILLOW STREET METHODIST CHURCH, LATER NAMED KEY MEMORIAL FOR BISHOP J.S. KEY. REYNOLDS SERVED AS PASTOR TO NUMEROUS AREA CONGREGATIONS AND PREACHED WELL INTO HIS NINETIES. KNOWN AFFECTIONATELY AS UNCLE JOHNNY, HE WAS A SUPPORTER OF TEMPERANCE AND EDUCATION, AND WAS A 32ND DEGREE MASON.

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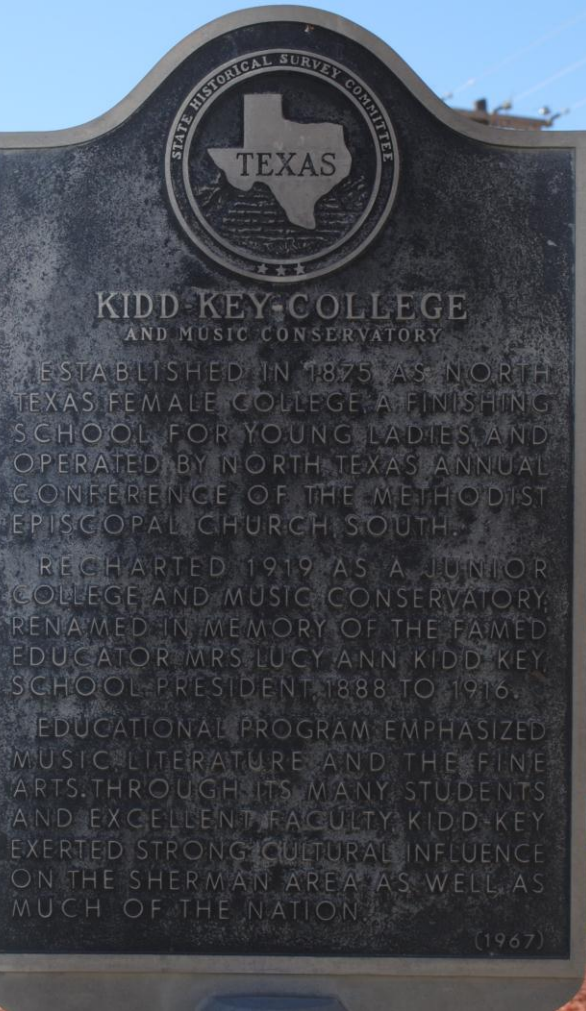


A.F. C. REYNOLDS  
MAR. 24, 1835  
OCT. 8, 1914

REV. J.H. REYNOLDS  
AUG. 1, 1832  
FEB. 16, 1927



# Kidd-Key College and Music Conservatory





# President T. Roosevelt's Visit to Grayson County







## MATTIE DAVIS LUCAS

(JANUARY 12, 1869 - OCTOBER 27, 1936)

MARTHA ORA "MATTIE" DAVIS WAS BORN IN MISSISSIPPI AND MOVED TO TEXAS AS AN INFANT. SHE EARNED A TEACHING CERTIFICATE IN 1884 AND IN 1889 MARRIED WILLIAM H. LUCAS. ACTIVE IN CIVIC ORGANIZATIONS AND WOMEN'S CLUBS, MATTIE SPEARHEADED MANY CIVIC IMPROVEMENTS IN GRAYSON COUNTY, INCLUDING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A CARNEGIE LIBRARY, HOME FRONT WAR WORK, AND THE COLLECTION AND PRESERVATION OF LOCAL HISTORY. HER EFFORTS TO COMMEMORATE THE TEXAS CENTENNIAL RESULTED IN THE PLACEMENT OF SEVERAL HISTORICAL MARKERS. SHE CO-AUTHORED THE FIRST HISTORY OF GRAYSON COUNTY, PUBLISHED IN 1911. SHE DIED AT HER HOME IN GRAYSON COUNTY, TEXAS, ON OCTOBER 27, 1936.

RECORDED - 21

# Mattie Davis Lucas





# Carr-Taliferro House



THE CARR-TALIFERRO HOUSE  
PROSPEROUS FARMER-LANDOWNER RICHARD BILL CARR (1813-1882) AND WIFE SUSAN DEER (1840) MOVED INTO TOWN FROM TEXAS COMMUNITY THEY EMPLOYED NIGHT RECTORIA CONTRACTOR J. B. BASKIN TO DESIGN AND BUILD THIS DIGNIFIED FARMER'S RESIDENCE. HIS SON DAVID TALIFERRO IN THE FRONT PORCH IN 1875. CONTINUING TO THE HOUSE THE TALIFERROS LATER INHERITED AND ENLARGED THE HOUSE. IN 1893 THEY MOVED TO KANSAS.





# Grayson County









# Tom Randolph



## TOM RANDOLPH

(NOV. 13, 1854 - JAN. 8, 1918)

TENNESSEE NATIVE THOMAS RANDOLPH CAME TO GRAYSON COUNTY WITH HIS FAMILY IN 1859. GROOMED TO BE A BUSINESSMAN, HE WAS INVITED AT AGE 19 TO JOIN C. C. BINKLEY AT THE MERCHANTS AND PLANTERS BANK, WHICH GREW INTO A VERY PROSPEROUS AND INFLUENTIAL FINANCIAL INSTITUTION. RANDOLPH SERVED AS BANK PRESIDENT FROM 1886 UNTIL HIS DEATH. IN THAT CAPACITY, HE HELPED ATTRACT NEW INDUSTRY AND BUSINESS TO SHERMAN, AND WORKED TO ESTABLISH THE CITY'S FIRST HOSPITAL. HE ALSO SERVED AS CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD OF THE NATIONAL BANK OF COMMERCE OF ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI, BUT ALWAYS CONSIDERED SHERMAN HIS HOME.

RECORDED - 2002







**JAMES NELSON DICKSON**  
(1890-1986)

BORN AND EDUCATED IN GRAYSON COUNTY, JAMES NELSON DICKSON BEGAN HIS LONG ASSOCIATION WITH COUNTY GOVERNMENT IN 1914 AS DEPUTY TAX ASSESSOR. FOLLOWING A 1930 COURTHOUSE FIRE, HE WORKED TO REPLACE DESTROYED RECORDS, INCLUDING IMPORTANT SCHOOL BOND PAPERS. IN 1945, THE COMMISSIONERS COURT NAMED HIM TO FILL AN UNEXPIRED TERM AS COUNTY JUDGE, A POSITION HE HELD THROUGH SUBSEQUENT ELECTIONS UNTIL 1962. UPON RETIREMENT, HE DEVOTED HIS EFFORTS TO THE PROMOTION OF LOCAL HERITAGE THROUGH MUSEUMS, EVENTS AND ORGANIZATIONS, AND COMPILED A HISTORY OF GRAYSON COUNTY SCHOOLS.

RECORDED - 2005

# James Nelson Dickson

DICKSON

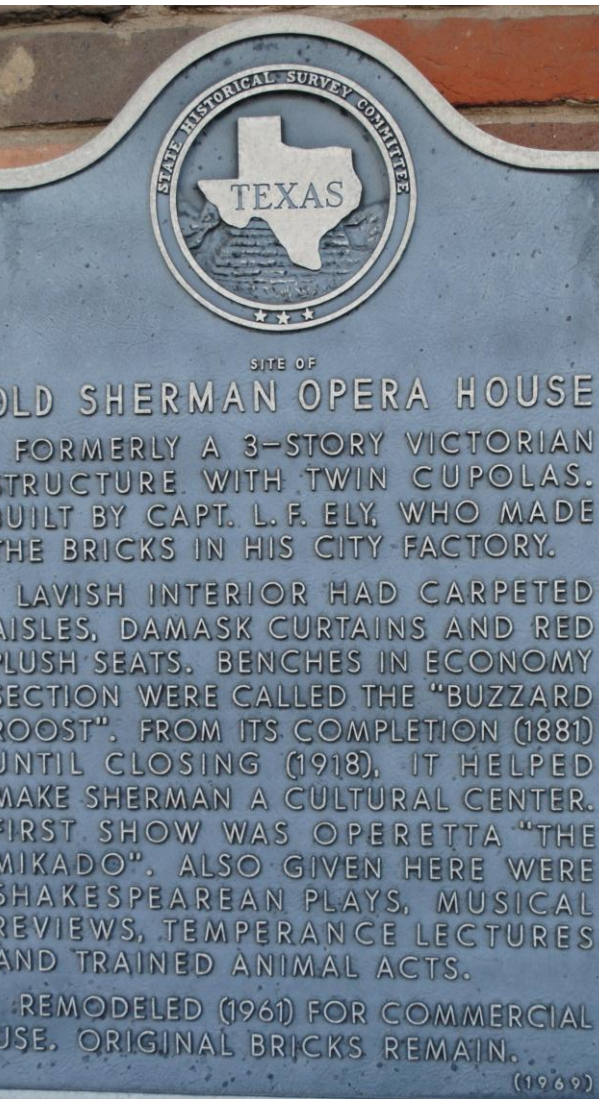
J. N. (JIM)  
OCT. 24. 1890  
APR. 5, 1986

MARRIED  
OCT. 19. 1916

CALLIE M.  
JAN. 15. 1893  
APR. 16. 1965



# Site of Old Sherman Opera House







### TRAVIS LODGE NO. 117 A. F. & A. M.

FOUNDED IN 1852, ONLY SIX YEARS AFTER SHERMAN WAS DESIGNATED THE COUNTY SEAT, THIS MASONIC LODGE IS ONE OF THE OLDEST CONTINUING INSTITUTIONS IN THE COMMUNITY. LOCAL ATTORNEY BURRELL SMITH AND FIFTEEN OTHER MASONIC BROTHERS PETITIONED FOR A DISPENSATION TO ORGANIZE A MASONIC LODGE IN SHERMAN ON FEBRUARY 10, 1852. ON AUGUST 28, 1852, TRAVIS LODGE NO. 117 WAS ORGANIZED AND OFFICERS WERE INSTALLED. OVER THE COURSE OF ITS HISTORY, THE LODGE HAS SHARED FACILITIES WITH A UNION CHURCH, OTHER LODGES, AND SEVERAL BUSINESSES IN COMMERCIAL BUILDINGS.

A MAJOR FIRE DESTROYED MOST OF THE BUSINESS SECTION OF SHERMAN ON OCTOBER 30, 1875, AND LODGE RECORDS, FURNITURE, AND EQUIPMENT WERE LOST IN THE BLAZE. A DUPLICATE CHARTER WAS ISSUED JUNE 10, 1876.

THE LODGE BUILT A CLASSICAL REVIVAL STYLE TEMPLE ON THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF LAMAR AND WALNUT STREETS IN 1924. IT REMAINED THE LODGE HEADQUARTERS UNTIL 1985, AND WAS DESIGNATED A RECORDED TEXAS HISTORIC LANDMARK IN 1988.

THROUGH THE YEARS TRAVIS LODGE MEMBERS HAVE BEEN PROMINENT COMMUNITY LEADERS AND THE LODGE HAS SUPPORTED VARIOUS MASONIC CHARITABLE ENDEAVORS SUCH AS HOSPITALS, ORPHANAGES, AND RETIREMENT HOMES.

SPONSORED BY WM. RALPH ELLIOTT

# Travis Lodge No. 117, A.F. & A.M.





# Site of Binkley Hotel



## Site of BINKLEY HOTEL

IN THE 1870s, A JOINT STOCK COMPANY WAS ORGANIZED TO CONSTRUCT A HOTEL IN SHERMAN. ONE OF THE LARGEST STOCKHOLDERS WAS JUDGE C.C. BINKLEY, A COMMUNITY LEADER FOR WHOM THE HOTEL WOULD BE NAMED. BINKLEY WAS ALSO PRESIDENT OF THE MERCHANTS AND PLANTERS (M & P) BANK, ESTABLISHED IN SHERMAN IN 1872.

THE FIRST TWO HOTELS AT THIS SITE BURNED, AND THE SECOND FIRE WAS REPORTEDLY SET TO COVER AN ATTEMPTED ROBBERY. THE NEXT HOTEL WAS BUILT BY THE SHERMAN HOTEL COMPANY AND OPERATED BY BANK PRESIDENT C.B. DORCHESTER. THE BANK, THEN THE MERCHANTS AND PLANTERS NATIONAL BANK, SERVED FARMERS, RANCHERS, COUNTIES, AND INDIAN TRIBES, BECOMING A FINANCIAL HUB FOR TEXAS AND OKLAHOMA, AND THE CLOSE TIES BETWEEN BANK AND HOTEL ATTRACTED AND ACCOMMODATED BUSINESS IN THE GROWING COMMUNITY. THE SHERMAN OPERA HOUSE, WHICH BROUGHT IN TOURING DRAMATIC COMPANIES, ADDED TO THE LIST OF POPULAR AND PROMINENT MEN AND WOMEN WHO VISITED THE HOTEL. LADIES WOULD ENTER ON THE NORTH, AT THE CARRIAGE ENTRANCE, AND AVOID PASSING THE BAR ON THEIR WAY TO RECEPTIONS IN THE DINING ROOM OF THE THREE-STORY HOTEL. FORMER PRESIDENT WILLIAM HOWARD TAFT VISITED SHERMAN IN 1919 AND SPOKE BRIEFLY FROM A WROUGHT-IRON BALCONY ON THE HOTEL'S NORTH SIDE.

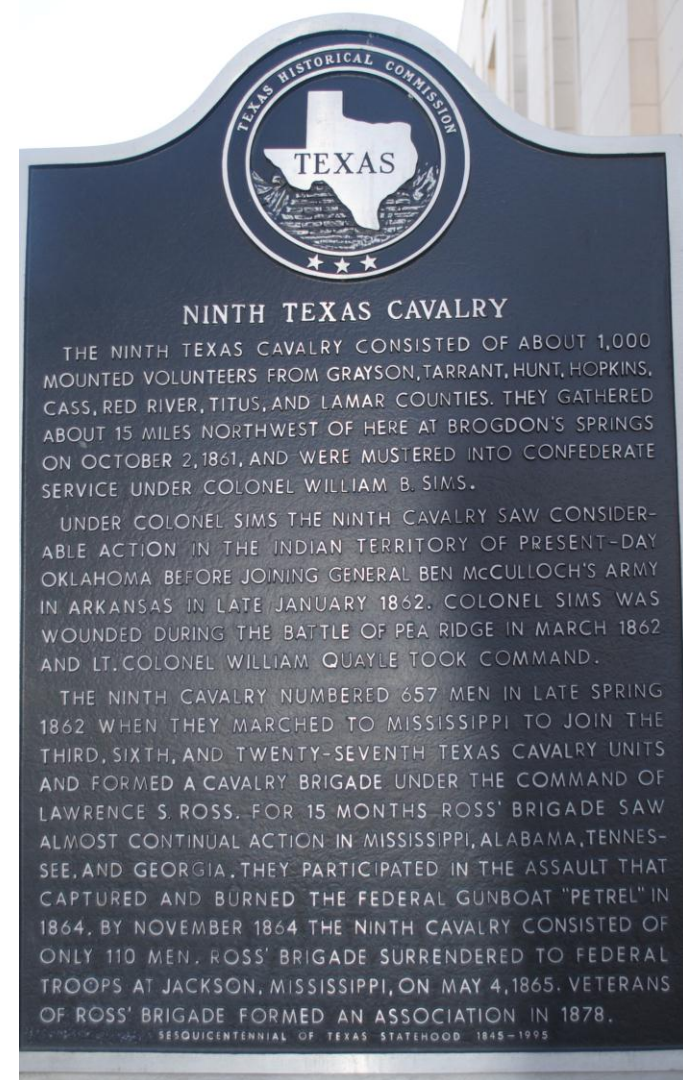
THE HOTEL'S NAME CHANGED TO TEXAS HOTEL IN 1947. THE THIRD AND FINAL BINKLEY HOTEL BUILDING BURNED IN 1967. DURING ITS MANY DECADES OF OPERATION, THE BUSINESS CONTRIBUTED TO SHERMAN'S DEVELOPMENT. THE HOTEL, BANK AND OPERA HOUSE TOGETHER FORMED A UNIQUE, FUNCTIONALLY INTEGRATED BUSINESS, CIVIC AND CULTURAL COMPLEX. THE HOTEL SERVED THE MANY GUESTS OF THE BANK AND OPERA HOUSE AND WAS A POPULAR SPOT FOR TRAVELERS AS WELL AS LOCAL RESIDENTS.

[2002]





# Ninth Texas Cavalry





# Roberts House



## ROBERTS HOUSE

CONNECTICUT NATIVE CHARLES NATHAN ROBERTS (1836-1920) MOVED TO ARKANSAS PRIOR TO THE CIVIL WAR. HE SERVED AS A CAPTAIN IN THE CONFEDERATE ARMY, AND AFTER THE WAR HE MARRIED EMMA ROYSTON. BY 1876 THEY HAD MOVED TO SHERMAN, WHERE ROBERTS ESTABLISHED A RETAIL HARDWARE BUSINESS, PURCHASED THIS PROPERTY, AND BUILT A SMALL COTTAGE FOR HIS FAMILY.

AS ROBERTS' BUSINESS PROSPERED AND EXPANDED INTO THE WHOLESALE MARKET, HE BECAME ACTIVE IN CIVIC AFFAIRS, SERVING ON THE LOCAL SCHOOL BOARD AND THE AUSTIN COLLEGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES. BOTH HE AND EMMA WERE ACTIVE LAY LEADERS IN SHERMAN'S FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH. IN 1896 THEY HIRED THE ARCHITECTURAL FIRM OF MOAD AND ELLIOTT TO DESIGN A NEW HOME TO REPLACE THEIR COTTAGE ON THIS SITE.

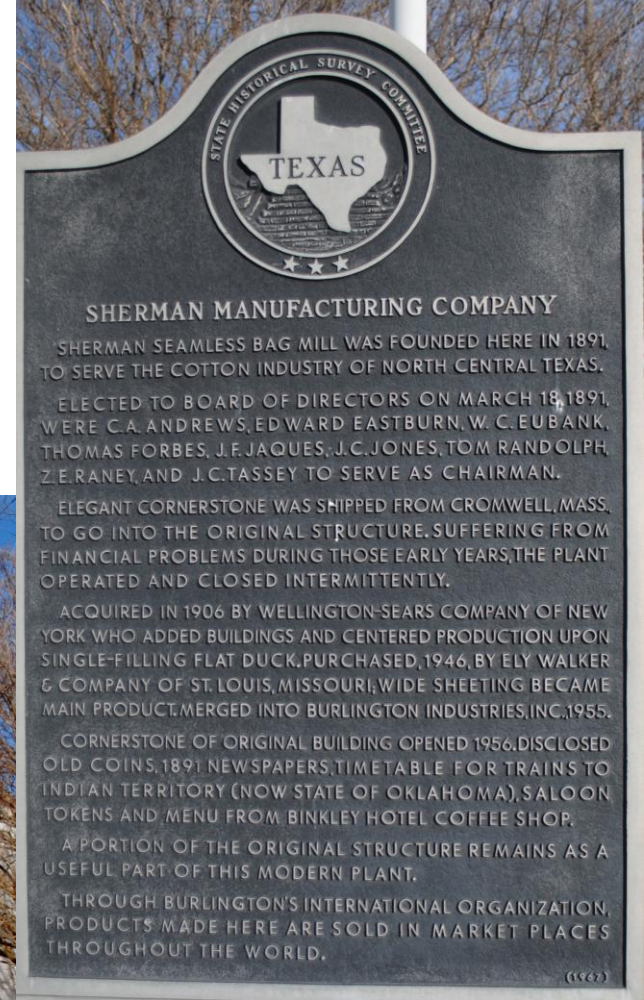
COMPLETED IN 1897 FOR LESS THAN \$9,000, THE HOUSE IS A FINE EXAMPLE OF A QUEEN ANNE-EASTLAKE STYLE RESIDENCE. IT EXHIBITS HALLMARK FEATURES OF THE STYLE, INCLUDING ASYMMETRICAL MASSING, LIBERAL USE OF MILLED WOOD DETAILS, SHINGLED GABLE ENDS, ROOF CRESTING AND FINIALS, AND VARIED COLORS AND CONTRASTING FINISHES. FOLLOWING EMMA ROBERTS' DEATH IN 1937, THE HOUSE WAS INHERITED BY THE COUPLE'S SON, CHARLES STANLY ROBERTS (1878-1972). IT REMAINED IN HIS FAMILY UNTIL 1987.

RECORDED TEXAS HISTORIC LANDMARK - 1993





# Sherman Manufacturing Company





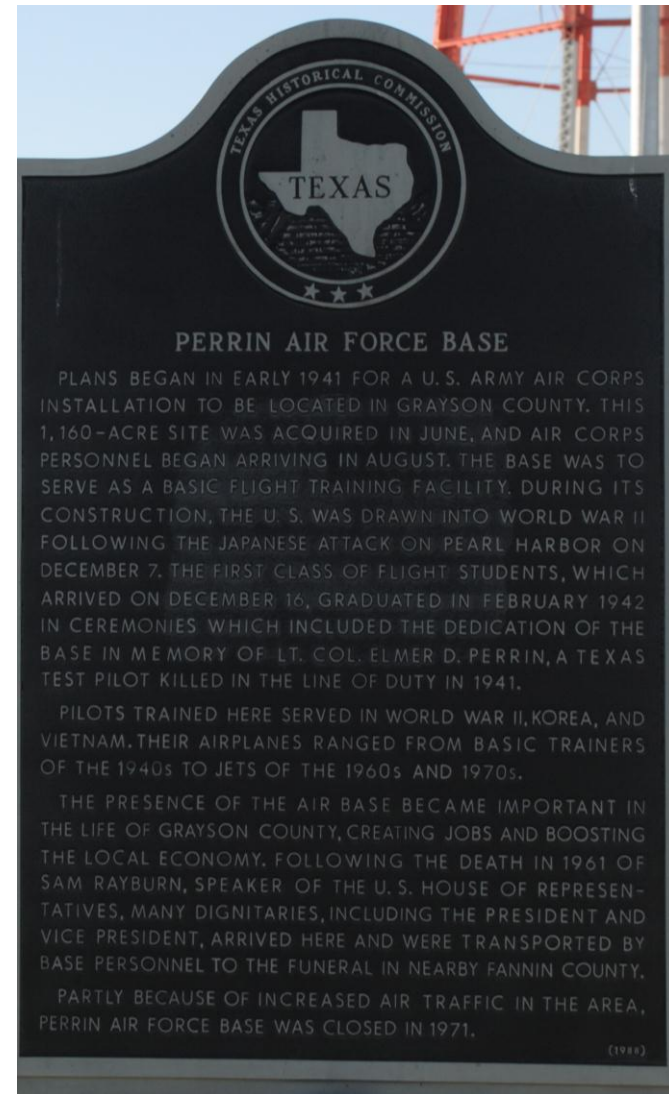
# Masonic Temple

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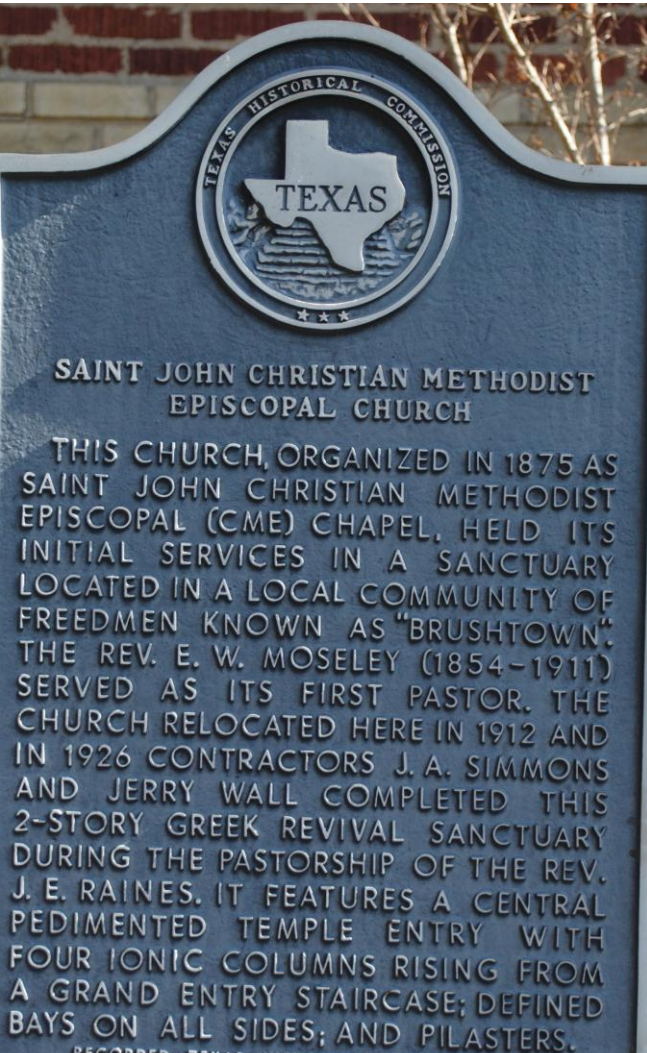


# Perrin Air Force Base





# Saint John Christian Methodist Episcopal Church







## B. H. ZAUK

(SEPTEMBER 11, 1857 - MAY 12, 1919)

BRUNO H. ZAUK CAME TO AMERICA ALONE AT AGE 16 FROM HIS NATIVE GERMANY. HE FOUNDED SHERMAN'S FIRST CIGAR FACTORY IN 1876, AND BECAME A NATURALIZED U. S. CITIZEN IN 1880. MR. ZAUK ACQUIRED EXTENSIVE LAND HOLDINGS IN WEST TEXAS AND OKLAHOMA. A SUCCESSFUL IMMIGRANT WHO TOOK FULL ADVANTAGE OF OPPORTUNITIES AVAILABLE IN AMERICA, HE SERVED AS VICE PRESIDENT OF THE COMMERCIAL NATIONAL BANK IN SHERMAN AND THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK IN BENNINGTON, OKLAHOMA.

RECORDED - 1997

# B.H. Zauk







## ELEVENTH TEXAS CAVALRY

IN MAY 1861, A FRONTIER UNIT WAS ORGANIZED AT CAMP REEVES IN SHERMAN. DRAWING VOLUNTEERS FROM COOKE, GRAYSON, HOPKINS, RED RIVER, FANNIN, COLLIN, TITUS AND BOWIE COUNTIES, THE REGIMENT BEGAN WITH NEARLY 900 MEN AND OFFICERS. INITIALLY LED BY THE NOTED COL. WILLIAM COCKE YOUNG, THE UNIT FOUGHT ITS FIRST BATTLES IN INDIAN TERRITORY, NOW OKLAHOMA, SECURING THE TERRITORY FOR THE CONFEDERACY. IN OCTOBER OF THAT YEAR, THE UNIT WAS INDUCTED INTO CONFEDERATE SERVICE AS THE 11TH TEXAS CAVALRY AND JOINED WITH OTHER FORCES IN ARKANSAS.

BEGINNING IN MARCH 1862, AT THE BATTLE OF PEA RIDGE, OR ELKHORN TAVERN, THE 11TH TEXAS SUPPORTED THE CONFEDERATE ARMY. FOLLOWING THE BATTLE, THE UNIT BECAME AN INFANTRY REGIMENT, DESIGNATED THE 11TH TEXAS CAVALRY, DISMOUNTED. FOR THE REMAINDER OF THE YEAR, THE TROOPS WERE ACTIVE IN MISSISSIPPI, TENNESSEE AND KENTUCKY. IN EARLY 1863, THE 11TH TEXAS FOUGHT AT MURFREESBORO, TENNESSEE, AND SHORTLY THEREAFTER BECAME A CAVALRY UNIT AGAIN. FOR THE REMAINDER OF THE WAR, THE CAVALRY FOUGHT IN ALABAMA, GEORGIA, SOUTH CAROLINA AND NORTH CAROLINA, PARTICIPATING IN MORE THAN 100 BATTLES AND SKIRMISHES. NOTABLE ENGAGEMENTS INCLUDED CHICKAMAUGA, KNOXVILLE, DALTON, RESACA, ALLATOONA PASS, DALLAS/NEW HOPE CHURCH, KENNESAW MOUNTAIN, ATLANTA, SAVANNAH, AND, FINALLY, BENTONVILLE, NORTH CAROLINA. A SMALL NUMBER OF 11TH TEXAS TROOPS WERE PRESENT AT THE CONFEDERATE SURRENDER AT DURHAM STATION, NORTH CAROLINA, IN APRIL 1865.

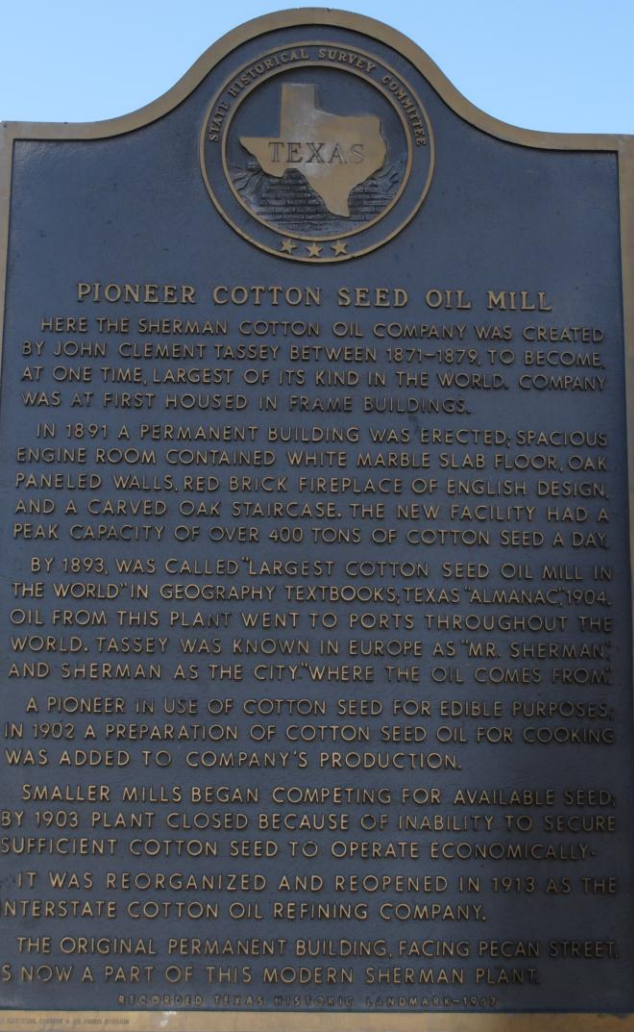
ONE OF THE MOST ACTIVE TEXAS CONFEDERATE UNITS, THE 11TH TEXAS CAVALRY SERVED WITH DISTINCTION THROUGHOUT THE CIVIL WAR, CONTINUING UNTIL THE LAST MAJOR CONFEDERATE OFFENSIVE HAD ENDED.

(2009)

# Eleventh Calvary



# Pioneer Cotton Seed Oil Mill





# Walnut Street Church of Christ



## WALNUT STREET CHURCH OF CHRIST

COMPLETED IN 1920, THIS CLASSICAL REVIVAL SANCTUARY FIRST SERVED THE CONGREGATION OF THE WALNUT STREET CHURCH OF CHRIST. KNOWN AS TRAVIS STREET CHURCH OF CHRIST SINCE 1963, WHEN IT MOVED TO A NEW SITE, THE CONGREGATION HAS TIES TO THE 1850s. MEMBERS BUILT THIS EDIFICE TO SERVE AS THEIR THIRD SANCTUARY. THE CHAPEL IS A TWO-STORY RAISED STRUCTURE WITH A CENTRAL STAIRWAY, GRAND PORTICO, AND 48 STAINED GLASS WINDOWS.

RECORDED TEXAS HISTORIC LANDMARK - 1986







## CAPTAIN N.A. BIRGE HOUSE

CONNECTICUT NATIVE NOBLE ALLAN BIRGE (1832-1902) CAME TO TEXAS PRIOR TO THE CIVIL WAR. SETTling IN JEFFERSON WITH HIS WIFE AND CHILDREN, HE WAS THE FIRST ELECTED SHERIFF OF MARION COUNTY IN 1860.

FOLLOWING HIS SERVICE AS A CAPTAIN IN THE CONFEDERATE ARMY, BIRGE BECAME A LEADING BUSINESSMAN IN JEFFERSON. THE OWNER OF A LIVERY STABLE AND NUMEROUS CITY LOTS, HE WAS AN ACTIVE CIVIC LEADER INVOLVED IN SUCH ENDEAVORS AS A RAILROAD COMPANY AND A NAVIGATION COMPANY.

THE BIRGE FAMILY MOVED TO GRAYSON COUNTY IN 1874, SETTling FIRST ON A FARM NORTH OF SHERMAN. N.A. BIRGE SOON BECAME A PROMINENT LOCAL BUSINESSMAN AND INDUSTRIALIST, OPERATING A LARGE COTTON BROKERAGE FIRM AND OTHER COTTON RELATED BUSINESSES.

THIS HOME WAS BUILT FOR BIRGE IN 1896, SHORTLY AFTER THE GREAT SHERMAN TORNADO DESTROYED AN 1877 STRUCTURE ON THE SAME SITE. EXHIBITING BOTH QUEEN ANNE AND CLASSICAL REVIVAL STYLE INFLUENCES, THE HOUSE FEATURES FLAMBOYANT CLASSICAL REVIVAL TOUCHES IN ITS GABLES WITH GARLANDS, GIANT ORDER ROMAN IONIC COLUMNS, PEDIMENTED (SEGMENTAL ARCH) WINDOWS, AND SMALLER COLUMNS THAT ARE HALF-DORIC AND HALF-TURNED. THE HOME REMAINED IN THE BIRGE FAMILY UNTIL 1969.

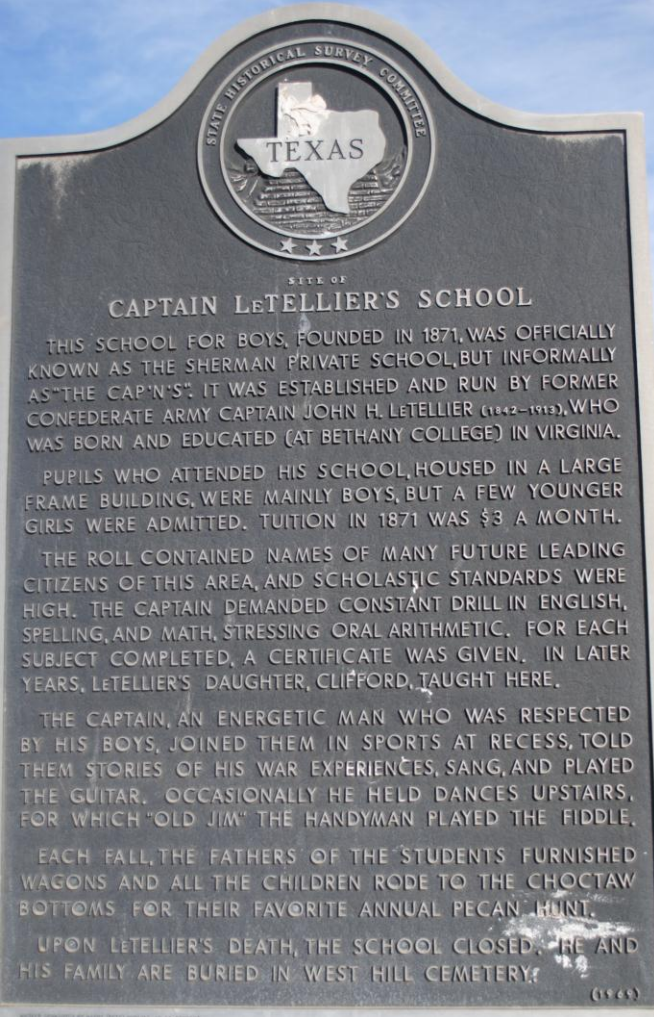
RECORDED TEXAS HISTORIC LANDMARK - 1988

# Captain N.A. Birge House





# Site of Captain LeTellier's School







# Aaron S. Mangum

## AARON S. MANGUM

(SEPTEMBER 3, 1812—AUGUST 10, 1884)

SOUTH CAROLINIAN AARON MANGUM CAME TO TEXAS WITH A GEORGIA BATTALION IN 1835 AND SERVED UNDER COLONEL JAMES FANNIN AT GOLIAD. MANGUM TOOK ILL DURING AN EXPEDITIONARY MISSION AND FATEFULLY AVOIDED DEATH AT THE GOLIAD MASSACRE. HE MARRIED LEONORA SNIVELY IN 1836 AND TOGETHER THEY LIVED IN MISSISSIPPI AND GEORGIA BEFORE MOVING HERE TO GRAYSON COUNTY ABOUT 1869. AFTER HIS DEATH THE TOWN OF MANGUM, OKLAHOMA, WAS NAMED IN HIS HONOR.

RECORDED—1994

A. S. MANGUM

SEPT. 3, 1812

AUG. 9, 1884

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# Andrew L Randell

**ANDREW L. RANDELL**  
(Aug. 15, 1880 - Mar. 14, 1931)

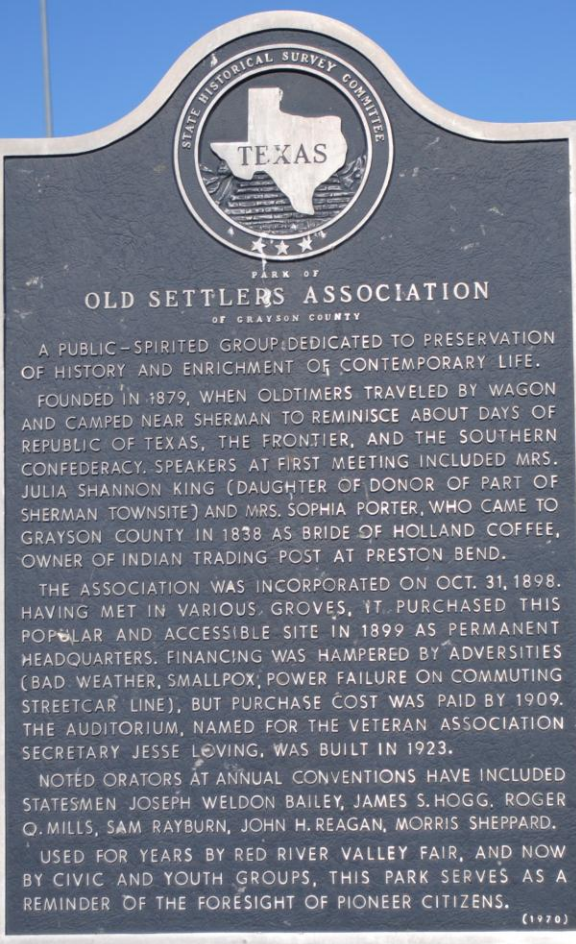
A NATIVE OF DENISON, ANDREW RANDELL GRADUATED FROM PRINCETON UNIVERSITY AND THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS. HE OPENED A LAW PRACTICE IN SHERMAN AND WAS ACTIVE IN CIVIC AND CHURCH AFFAIRS. HE AND HIS WIFE VERA (HARRISON) HAD TWO DAUGHTERS. IT WAS IN FREEMASONRY THAT HE MARKED HIS GREATEST ACHIEVEMENTS, SERVING AS GRAND MASTER OF THE GRAND LODGE OF TEXAS, AS EXECUTIVE SECRETARY OF THE MASONIC ASSOCIATION OF THE U.S., LEADING IN DISASTER RELIEF EFFORTS, AS A DIRECTOR OF DALLAS MASONIC HOMES, AND AS AN ADVISOR FOR MASONIC EDUCATION PROGRAMS, PUBLIC AFFAIRS, AND IDEALS.

RECORDED 2005

ANDREW LAWRENCE RANDELL  
1880 — 1931  
PAST GRANDMASTER OF MASONS, 1921.



# Park of Old Settlers Association of Grayson County





Tioga



# Primitive Baptist Church of Tioga







# Tioga Cemetery

## TIOGA CEMETERY

IN NOVEMBER 1881, SETTLERS ESTABLISHED THE COMMUNITY OF TIOGA ON THE EASTERN EDGE OF THE EAST CROSS TIMBERS, AND IT INCORPORATED AS A CITY IN 1906. FOR THE FIRST DECADES OF TIOGA'S HISTORY, RESIDENTS BURIED THEIR LOVED ONES ON PRIVATE LAND IN FAMILY CEMETERIES.

IN FEBRUARY 1906, W.R. AND SALLY J. GILLESPIE DEEDED FIVE ACRES OF THEIR FARMLAND TO THE LOCAL WOODMEN OF THE WORLD CAMP FOR USE AS A BURIAL GROUND. THE FIRST GRAVE DATES TO THAT YEAR. MANY OF THE EARLY HEADSTONES ARE WOODMEN OF THE WORLD MARKERS. THE COMMUNITY CONTINUED USING AND IMPROVING THE CEMETERY OVER THE YEARS, ADDING A PAVILION IN 1924 FOR FUNERAL SERVICES.

TODAY, THE BURIAL GROUND IS A TIE TO GENERATIONS OF TIOGA AREA RESIDENTS, AND IS THE FINAL RESTING PLACE FOR VETERANS OF MILITARY CONFLICTS DATING TO THE CIVIL WAR, INCLUDING BOTH UNION AND CONFEDERATE SOLDIERS. OTHER NOTABLE PERSONS INTERRED HERE ARE TEXAS SENATOR OLIN R. VAN ZANDT AND THE REV. H.G. BALL, A PRIMITIVE BAPTIST PREACHER WHO PRESIDED OVER THE FUNERAL SERVICE FOR U.S. SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE SAM RAYBURN. AN ASSOCIATION MAINTAINS THE BURIAL GROUND FOR FUTURE GENERATIONS.

HISTORIC TEXAS CEMETERY 2004





# Tioga United Methodist Church



## TIOGA UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

SERVICES BEGAN IN HOMES OF THE SHILOH COMMUNITY, TWO MILES TO THE EAST OF HERE. IN 1887, THE WORSHIPERS ORGANIZED THE SHILOH METHODIST CHURCH, WITH THE REV. MR. ALLEN AS PASTOR. AFTER TIOGA WAS FOUNDED, THE CONGREGATION MOVED HERE AND ERECTED ORIGINAL BUILDING ON THIS SITE IN 1893. ADDITIONAL ROOMS AND FACILITIES HAVE SINCE BEEN ADDED TO THE CENTRAL STRUCTURE. THIS CHURCH HAS FAITHFULLY SERVED TIOGA. ONE OF ITS MEMBERS, OLAN R. VAN ZANDT, WAS A REPRESENTATIVE, THEN SENATOR, IN THE TEXAS LEGISLATURE FOR 16 YEARS, 1926-1942.

(1976)





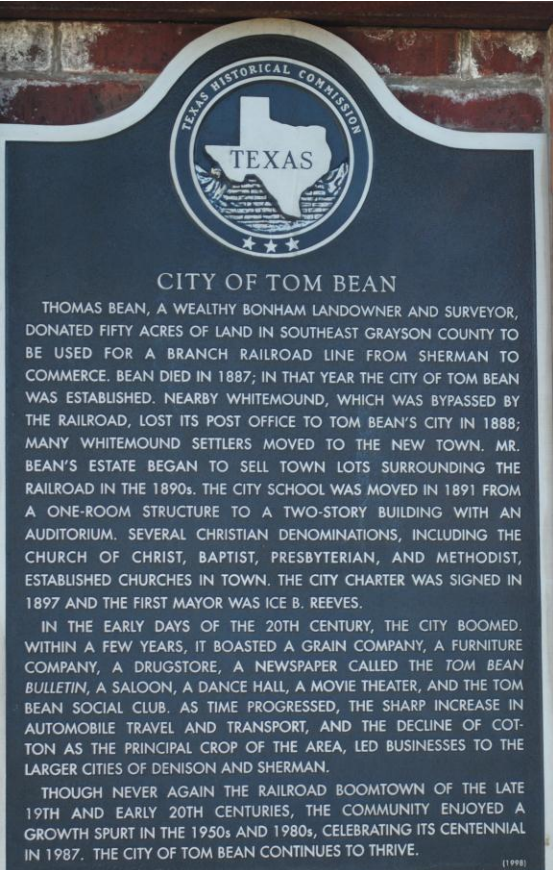
Tom Bean



# Site of Early Grayson County Settlement - Whitemound







# City of Tom Bean



# First United Methodist Church



## FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

THIS CONGREGATION WAS ORGANIZED IN THE MID - 1880s, GROWING OUT OF BRUSH ARBOR MEETINGS AT THE CEDAR CAMPGROUND NEAR WHITEMOUND. THE ORIGINAL CHURCH BUILDING AT WHITEMOUND WAS MOVED, IN 1906, TO TOM BEAN, WHERE IT BURNED IN 1924. METHODISTS WORSHIPED IN THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH UNTIL IT WAS DESTROYED BY A TORNADO A SHORT TIME LATER. A NEW EDIFICE WAS BUILT, SERVING BOTH DENOMINATIONS UNTIL 1972. IN 1974, THE SANCTUARY WAS MOVED HERE, AND THE HERITAGE OF THE OLD PERRIN AIR FORCE BASE CHAPEL WAS PRESERVED WHEN IT WAS ADDED TO THE FACILITY.

(1975)





Van Alstyne



# Elliott Cemetery





# Umphress-Taylor Home











## CANNON CEMETERY

ELIJAH CANNON, HIS ELEVEN SONS, AND SLAVES MOVED FROM SOUTH CAROLINA TO TEXAS IN 1852 AND SETTLED NEARBY. IN 1874 THE FAMILY GRAVEYARD WAS INCLUDED IN LAND DEEDED BY O. M. CANNON AS A COMMUNITY BURIAL PLACE. THE OLDEST DOCUMENTED GRAVE IS THAT OF TEN-YEAR-OLD NANCY J. BOWEN IN 1857. AN ADJACENT SECTION WAS ESTABLISHED FOR FORMER SLAVES, AND THE EARLIEST KNOWN BURIALS ARE THOSE OF BILLY AND GLORY BOYD IN AUGUST 1880. AMONG THE MORE THAN 700 GRAVES ARE THOSE OF PIONEER SETTLERS, VETERANS OF SEVERAL WARS, AND MEMBERS OF FRATERNAL ORGANIZATIONS. THE CEMETERY CONTINUES TO SERVE THE AREA.

(1996)

# Cannon Cemetery

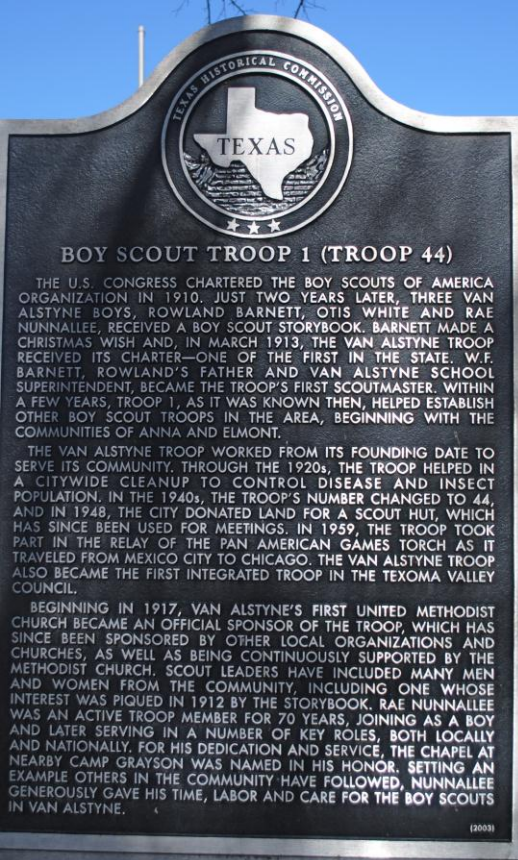
Cannon Cemetery



James P. Dumas

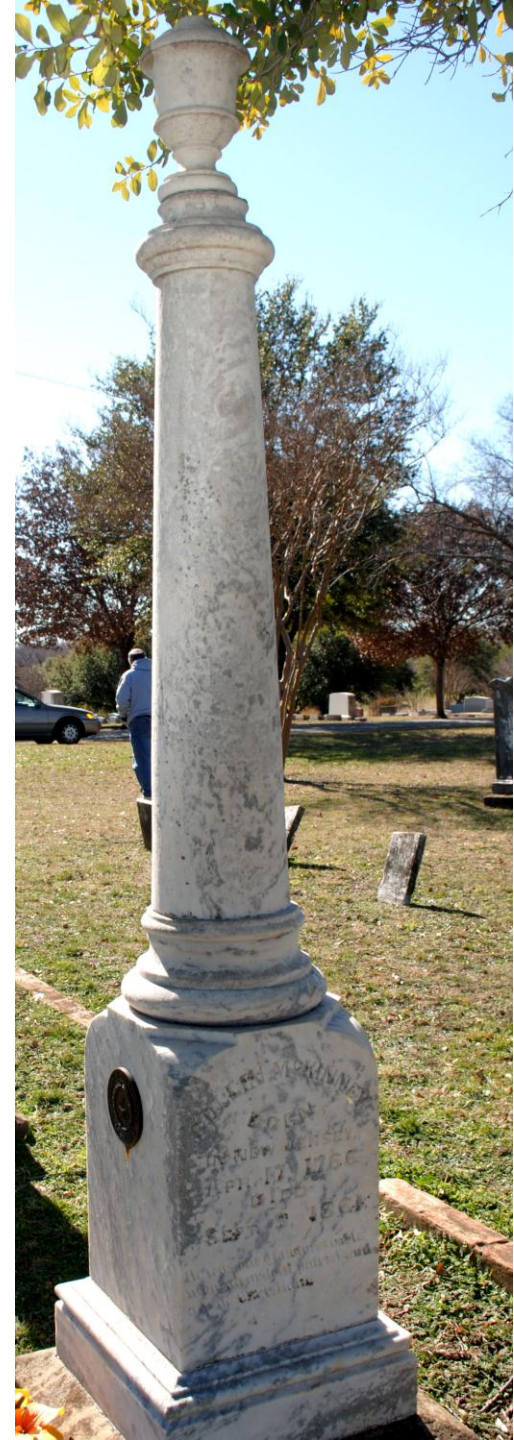
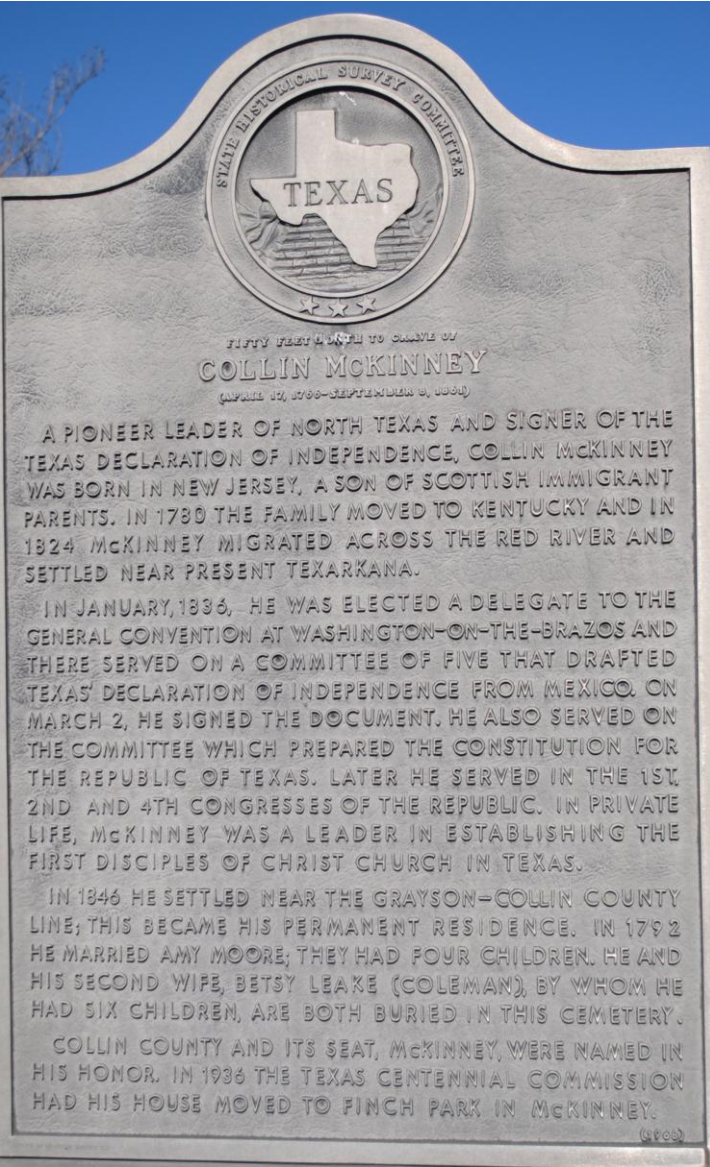


# Boy Scout Troop 1 (Troop 44)





# Grave of Collin McKinney





# Mantua Masonic Lodge No. 209, A.F. & A.M.



## MANTUA MASONIC LODGE NO. 209, A.F. & A.M.

THE ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING FOR THIS MASONIC LODGE WAS HELD ON FEB. 7, 1857, ON THE SECOND STORY OF H. N. WALCOTT'S STORE BUILDING IN THE VILLAGE OF MANTUA (2 MI. SW). WITH DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTER J. J. HARRISON OFFICIATING, THE FIRST MEETING WAS ATTENDED BY J. M. ENLOE, W. A. PORTMAN, J. L. LESLIE, W. M. AKENS, A. J. McDONOUGH, A. C. WHITE, H. N. WALCOTT, J. L. LOVEJOY, G. W. STROTHER, AND J. S. STEWART. OTHER CHARTER MEMBERS OF THE LODGE INCLUDED YOUNGER SCOTT MCKINNEY, WHO HAD LAID OUT THE TOWNSITE SEVERAL YEARS EARLIER, AND JAMES W. THROCKMORTON, WHO LATER SERVED AS GOVERNOR OF TEXAS. A TWO-STORY LODGE BUILDING WAS COMPLETED IN 1859. THE MASONS MET ON THE UPPER FLOOR, WHILE THE FIRST STORY HOUSED A PRIVATE SCHOOL, THE MANTUA SEMINARY.

AFTER VAN ALSTYNE WAS ESTABLISHED ON THE HOUSTON AND TEXAS CENTRAL RAILROAD IN 1872, MOST OF THE BUSINESSES AND OTHER ESTABLISHMENTS IN MANTUA, INCLUDING THE MASONIC LODGE, MOVED TO THE NEW TOWN. THE LODGE MEMBERS HELD MEETINGS IN VARIOUS LOCATIONS UNTIL 1898, WHEN THEY PURCHASED THE CARTER BUILDING ON THE TOWN SQUARE. IN 1976 THE LODGE MOVED TO ITS CURRENT LOCATION.

MANTUA MASONIC LODGE NO. 209 HAS PROVIDED VALUABLE SERVICE TO SCHOOLS, CHURCHES, AND NEEDY PERSONS, AND REMAINS AN IMPORTANT PART OF THE HISTORY OF THIS AREA.

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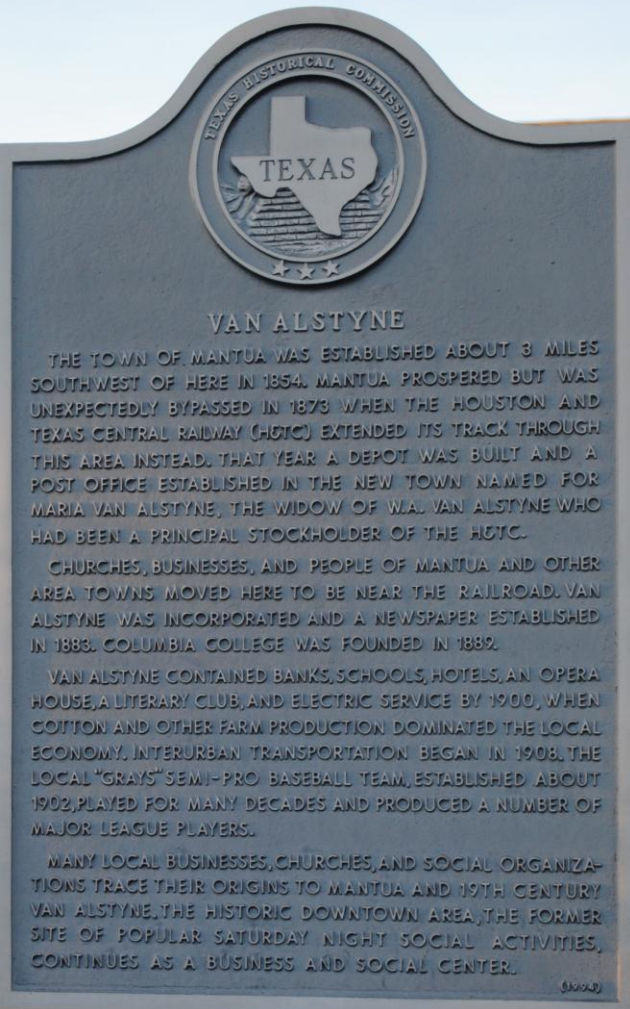


# First Christian Church



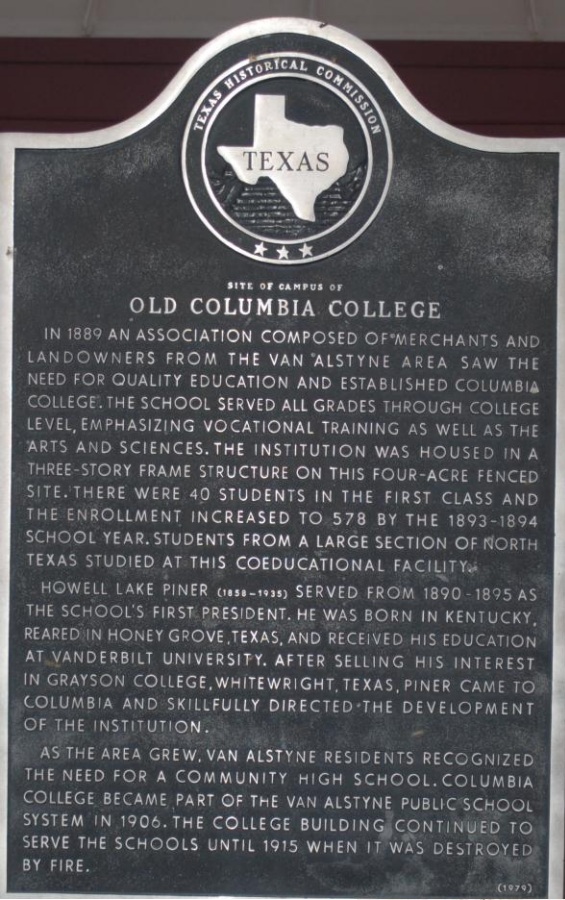


# Van Alstyne





# Site of Campus of Old Columbia College





# Younger Scott McKinney Home





# Van Alstyne Cemetery

**VAN ALSTYNE CEMETERY**  
ESTABLISHED 1846  
HISTORIC TEXAS CEMETERY 2005  
MARKER IS PROPERTY OF THE STATE OF TEXAS





# Old Town of Cannon





# First United Methodist Church of Van Alstyne



## FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH OF VAN ALSTYNE

OUTGROWTH OF LIBERTY CLASS, FORMED 1847 FOR BIBLE STUDY AND WORSHIP, IN LOG CABIN OF JIM CREAGER (1.25 MI. S) BY THE REV. JOAB BIGGS, OF THE DALLAS METHODIST CIRCUIT, AND M. F. COLE. IN 1855, AFTER A RAINSTORM THAT DETAINED QUARTERLY CONFERENCE DELEGATES TO LISTEN TO AN ALL-NIGHT SERMON, THE REV. Y. S. MCKINNEY PREACHED FOR THREE WEEKS AND HAD 60 CONVERSIONS. THE ENLARGED CLASS MOVED TO MANTUA, WHERE IT BUILT A FRAME CHAPEL ON THE TOWN SQUARE AND WAS RENAMED MT. ZION METHODIST CHURCH. AT FOUNDING OF VAN ALSTYNE ON HOUSTON & TEXAS CENTRAL RAILROAD IN 1873, MT. ZION MOVED ITS BUILDING INTO TOWN, TO A SITE NOW IN VAN ALSTYNE CEMETERY. BY 1890 MEMBERSHIP EXCEEDED 400. THE CONGREGATION IN 1893 MOVED AGAIN, ERECTING A LARGER BUILDING AT WACO AND JEFFERSON STREETS, AND CHANGING NAME TO FIRST METHODIST CHURCH. IN THIS SANCTUARY IN 1894 THERE WAS ORGANIZED THE FIRST DISTRICT EPWORTH LEAGUE OF THE SOUTHERN METHODIST CHURCH. HERE IN 1912 EX-PRESIDENT THEODORE ROOSEVELT GAVE AN ADDRESS, AND IN 1917 ONE OF TEXAS' EARLIEST BOY SCOUT TROOPS WAS FORMED.

PRESENT SANCTUARY WAS COMPLETED AND DEDICATED IN 1917, WITH DEDICATORY SERMON GIVEN BY THE REV. SAM R. HAY. THE PRESENT NAME WAS GIVEN AFTER A NATIONAL ECUMENICAL ACCORD WAS REACHED IN 1968.

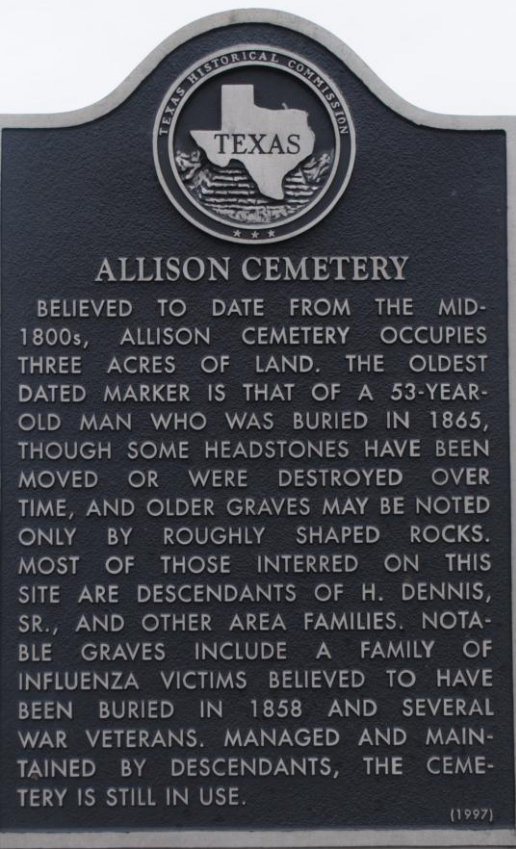
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Whitesboro





# Allison Cemetery





# R.N. Younger Home



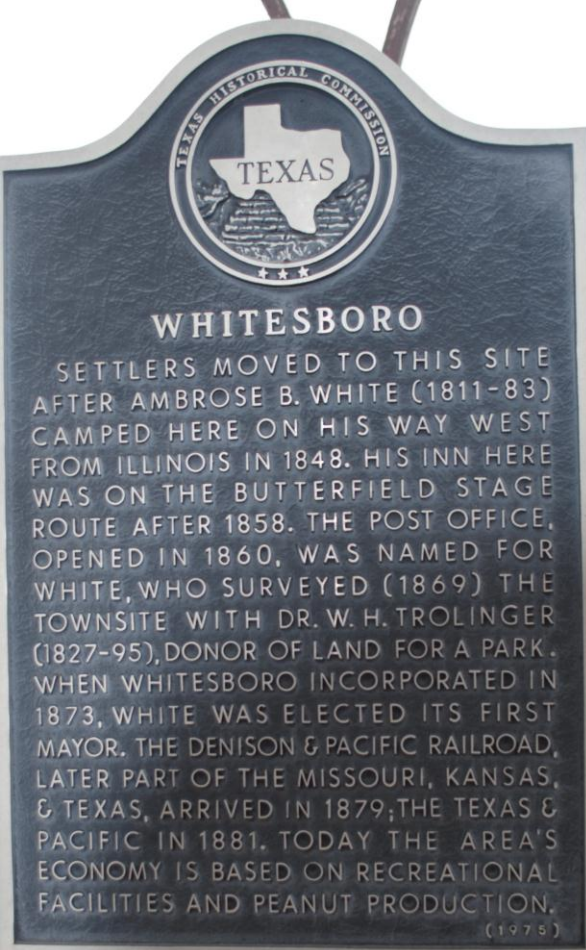
VICTORIAN HOME BUILT 1889  
BY DR. R. N. YOUNGER, CHURCH,  
BANKING AND SCHOOL LEADER.  
SOUTHERN EXPOSURE IN 10  
OF 12 ROOMS AND HALLS. FINE  
BEVELED MIRRORS IN 3 OF 6  
HAND-CARVED MANTELS.  
BOUGHT 1923 BY SULLIVAN'S  
NOTED TEACHERS, HEIRS OF  
FIRST OWNER OF THE SITE.  
RECORDED TEXAS HISTORIC LANDMARK-1968



Younger - Sullivan  
House  
1889



# Whitesboro







# Bennett-Richardson House

**BENNETT-RICHARDSON HOUSE**  
THIS RESIDENCE WAS BUILT IN 1902 FOR THE FAMILY OF LOCAL BUSINESS LEADER BLAND BENNETT AND GRACE (DUNLAP) BENNETT, EXHIBITING VICTORIAN AND CLASSICAL REVIVAL DETAILING. ITS PROMINENT FEATURES INCLUDE A 1-STORY WRAPAROUND PORCH WITH A PEDIMENTED PRIMARY ENTRANCE, A HIPPED ROOF, AND CORBELLED CHIMNEYS. ITS TRANSITIONAL FLOOR PLAN IS REMINISCENT OF BOTH CENTER PASSAGE AND AMERICAN FOURSQUARE PLANS. THE H. S. RICHARDSON FAMILY PURCHASED THE HOUSE IN 1942.  
RECORDED TEXAS HISTORIC LANDMARK - 1991





# Mary Florence Cowell



## MARY FLORENCE COWELL

(November 10, 1860 - July 13, 1940)

MARY FLORENCE (TINSMAN) COWELL AND HER HUSBAND S. B. COWELL CAME TO TEXAS FROM MISSOURI IN 1900. MRS. COWELL WAS A MEMBER OF THE P.E.O. SISTERHOOD, A PHILANTHROPIC EDUCATIONAL ORGANIZATION FOUNDED IN 1869 AT WESLEYAN COLLEGE IN IOWA AND DEDICATED TO EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES FOR WOMEN. HER FRIEND DORA HALLOCK, P.E.O. SUPREME CHAPTER ORGANIZER, VISITED WHITESBORO IN 1902. TOGETHER THEY ORGANIZED CHAPTER A, THE FIRST P.E.O. CHAPTER IN TEXAS, IN THE COWELL HOME ON THIS SITE. MARY FLORENCE COWELL WAS ELECTED PRESIDENT OF CHAPTER A AND WAS INSTRUMENTAL IN THE ORGANIZATION OF THE TEXAS STATE CHAPTER OF THE P.E.O. IN WHITESBORO IN 1928. ELECTED THE FIRST TEXAS STATE PRESIDENT OF THE ORGANIZATION, SHE EVENTUALLY BECAME KNOWN AS "THE MOTHER OF P.E.O. IN TEXAS."

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# Sanborn Ranch





# Diamond Horse Ranch





Whitewright

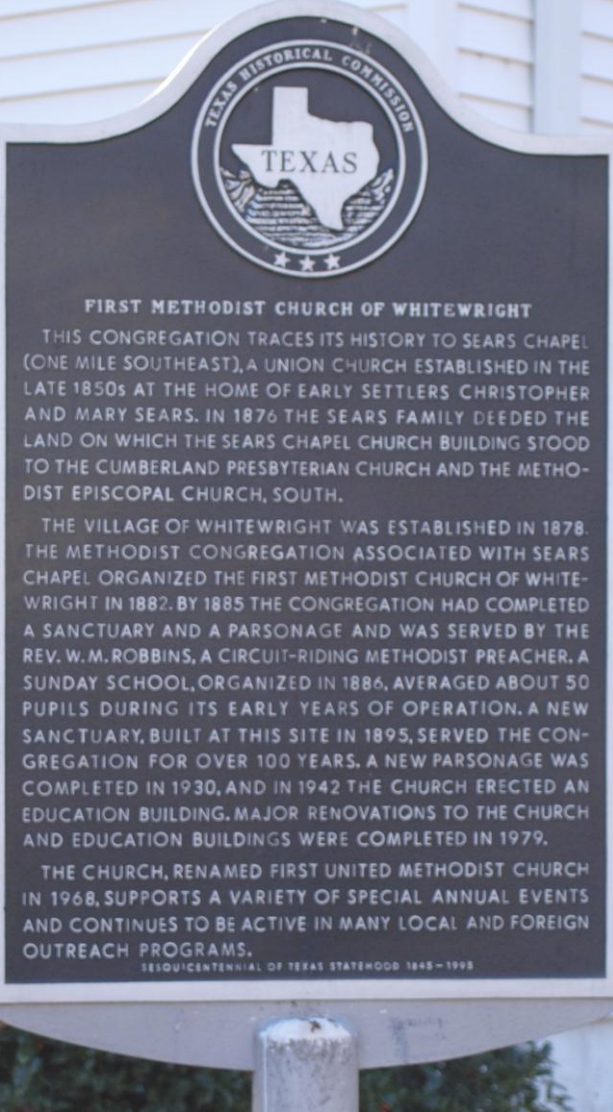


# Kentuckytown Baptist Church



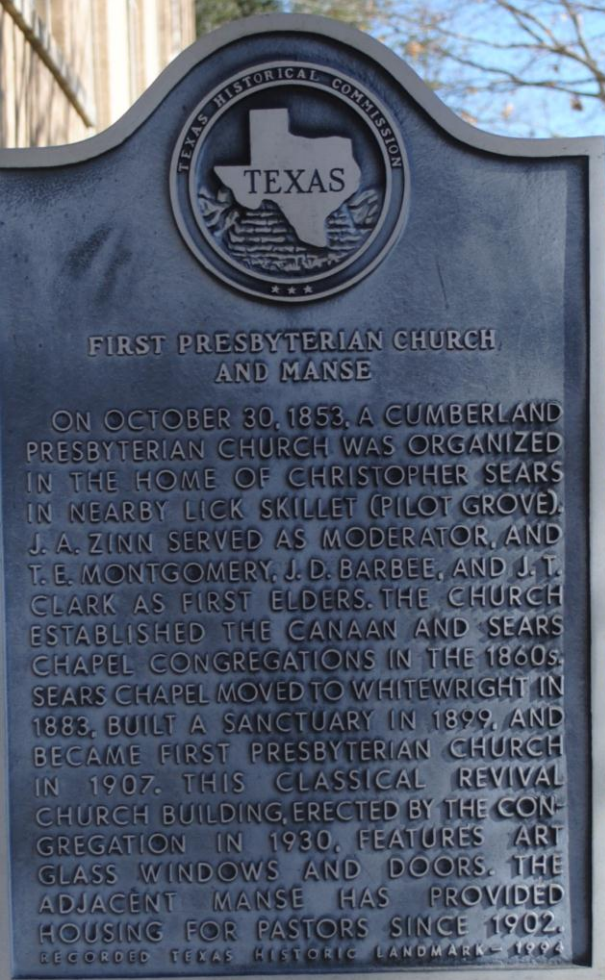


# First Methodist Church of Whitewright



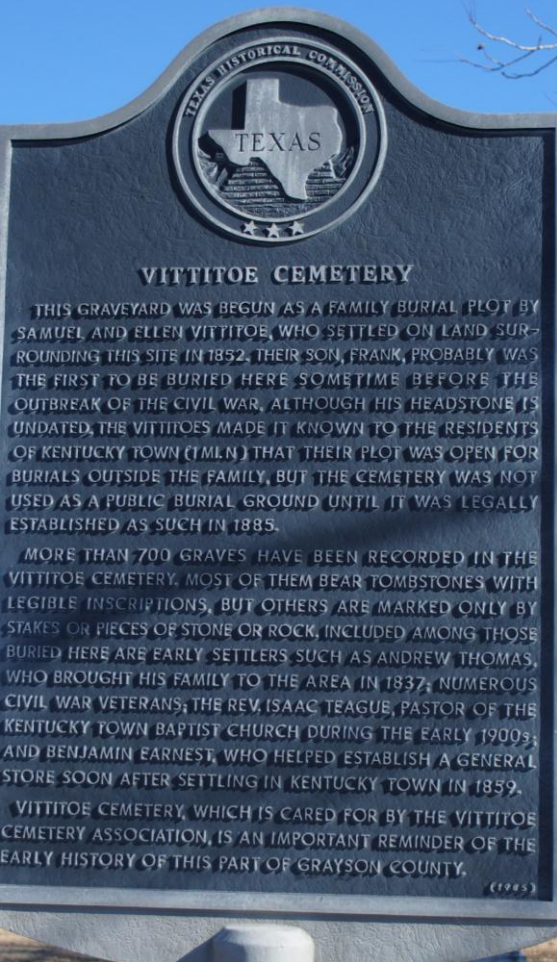


# First Presbyterian Church and Manse





# Vittitoe Cemetery



## VITTITOE CEMETERY

THIS GRAVEYARD WAS BEGUN AS A FAMILY BURIAL PLOT BY SAMUEL AND ELLEN VITTITOE, WHO SETTLED ON LAND SURROUNDING THIS SITE IN 1852. THEIR SON, FRANK, PROBABLY WAS THE FIRST TO BE BURIED HERE SOMETIME BEFORE THE OUTBREAK OF THE CIVIL WAR. ALTHOUGH HIS HEADSTONE IS UNDATED, THE VITTITOEES MADE IT KNOWN TO THE RESIDENTS OF KENTUCKY TOWN (MLN) THAT THEIR PLOT WAS OPEN FOR BURIALS OUTSIDE THE FAMILY, BUT THE CEMETERY WAS NOT USED AS A PUBLIC BURIAL GROUND UNTIL IT WAS LEGALLY ESTABLISHED AS SUCH IN 1885.

MORE THAN 700 GRAVES HAVE BEEN RECORDED IN THE VITTITOE CEMETERY. MOST OF THEM BEAR TOMBSTONES WITH LEGIBLE INSCRIPTIONS, BUT OTHERS ARE MARKED ONLY BY STAKES OR PIECES OF STONE OR ROCK. INCLUDED AMONG THOSE BURIED HERE ARE EARLY SETTLERS SUCH AS ANDREW THOMAS, WHO BROUGHT HIS FAMILY TO THE AREA IN 1837; NUMEROUS CIVIL WAR VETERANS; THE REV. ISAAC TEAGUE, PASTOR OF THE KENTUCKY TOWN BAPTIST CHURCH DURING THE EARLY 1900s; AND BENJAMIN EARNEST, WHO HELPED ESTABLISH A GENERAL STORE SOON AFTER SETTLING IN KENTUCKY TOWN IN 1859.

VITTITOE CEMETERY, WHICH IS CARED FOR BY THE VITTITOE CEMETERY ASSOCIATION, IS AN IMPORTANT REMINDER OF THE EARLY HISTORY OF THIS PART OF GRAYSON COUNTY.

(1945)



VITTITOE  
CEMETERY  
FOUNDED 1885



# Whitewright





# Everheart-Canaan Cemetery



## EVERHEART-CANAAN CEMETERY

EMANUEL AND RACHEL MONTGOMERY EVERHEART ARRIVED HERE IN 1848 WITH THEIR SON, WILLIAM, AND MEMBERS OF HER FAMILY. BY 1850, THE EVERHEARTS OWNED 3,346 ACRES, INCLUDING THIS LAND. FAMILY HISTORY HOLDS THAT THE OLDEST BURIALS HERE (IN THE NORTHWEST CORNER) DATE PRIOR TO 1853 AND ARE THOSE OF THE EVERHEARTS' SLAVES.

PILOT GROVE CUMBERLAND PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, ORGANIZED AT KENTUCKYTOWN, MOVED TO EVERHEART LAND A MILE EAST OF THIS SITE AND BECAME KNOWN AS THE CANAAN CHURCH. MEMBERS UTILIZED THIS CEMETERY AND SHARED THEIR SANCTUARY WITH A METHODIST EPISCOPAL CONGREGATION THAT MOVED FROM PITMAN'S CHAPEL.

THE OLDEST MARKED GRAVE, FROM JUNE 24, 1875, IS THAT OF W.H. RUMSOWER, ONE OF SEVERAL CONFEDERATE SOLDIERS BURIED HERE. OTHER BURIALS INCLUDE WILLIAM C. EVERHEART, THE GRAYSON COUNTY SHERIFF FROM 1876 TO 1880 AND LATER A DEPUTY UNITED STATES MARSHAL. MANY OF THE PIONEERS OF THE CANAAN COMMUNITY ARE BURIED IN FAMILY PLOTS HERE. NELL ARNOLDI EVERHEART CARED FOR THE CEMETERY UNTIL HER DEATH IN 1973, AND THE EVERHEART CEMETERY ASSOCIATION LATER FORMED.

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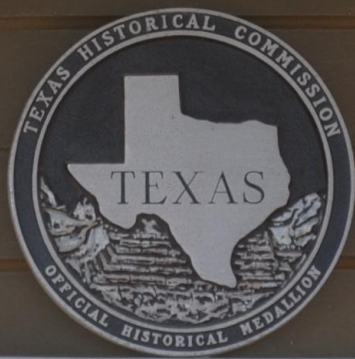




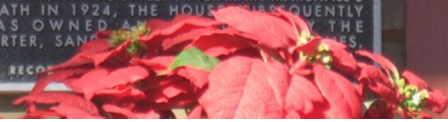
# Bethel Baptist Church







**SAMUEL E. AND MARY C. MARSHALL HOUSE**  
CIVIL WAR VETERAN SAM MARSHALL (1838-1911), HIS WIFE, MARY (1840-1924), AND THEIR FAMILY CAME FROM KENTUCKY TO GRAYSON COUNTY IN THE LATE 1860s AND MOVED TO THE NEW RAILROAD TOWN OF WHITEWRIGHT BY 1880. AFTER ACHIEVING SUCCESS WITH THEIR LAND INVESTMENTS AND COMMERCIAL BUSINESSES, THE MARSHALLS BUILT THIS QUEEN ANNE FREE CLASSIC HOUSE IN 1899-1900. THE GABLED ROOF, DECORATIVE WOODWORK, CLASSICAL COLUMNS, PORCH AND BALCONY ARE ALL NOTABLE ELEMENTS OF THIS STYLE. AFTER MARY MARSHALL'S DEATH IN 1924, THE HOUSE SUBSEQUENTLY WAS OWNED AND RESTORED BY THE CARTER, SANDERS AND BARNES FAMILIES.



# Samuel E. and Mary C. Marshall House





# Whitewright Masonic Lodge No. 167



## WHITEWRIGHT MASONIC LODGE NO. 167

IN 1855, MEN IN KENTUCKY TOWN ORGANIZED A MASONIC LODGE, RECEIVING THEIR CHARTER THE FOLLOWING YEAR AS THE KENTUCKY TOWN MASONIC LODGE NO. 167. MORE THAN 20 YEARS LATER, IN 1878, THE MISSOURI, KANSAS & TEXAS RAILROAD BYPASSED KENTUCKY TOWN, RUNNING THREE MILES EAST IN THE NEWLY ESTABLISHED TOWN OF WHITEWRIGHT. MANY RESIDENTS OF KENTUCKY TOWN, ORANGEVILLE AND PILOT GROVE MOVED THEIR HOMES AND BUSINESSES TO WHITEWRIGHT. THE MASONIC LODGE MOVED IN 1883, AND IN 1893, MEMBERS CHANGED THE NAME TO WHITEWRIGHT LODGE NO. 167 BUT KEPT THE ORIGINAL KENTUCKY TOWN CHARTER.

THE LODGE HAS OCCUPIED SEVERAL BUILDINGS SINCE ITS FOUNDING. IT HAS ALSO SERVED SEVERAL AFFILIATE MASONIC ORDERS, INCLUDING WHITEWRIGHT CHAPTER NO. 198 OF ROYAL ARCH MASONS, WHICH MERGED WITH A DENISON CHAPTER IN 1949, WHITEWRIGHT COUNCIL NO. 136, WHICH MERGED WITH A DENISON GROUP IN 1971, AND THE LOCAL ORDER OF THE EASTERN STAR, WHICH RECEIVED ITS CHARTER IN 1948. THE ORDER OF THE EASTERN STAR, COMPRISED OF MEN AND WOMEN, CONTINUES TO SUPPORT THE WORK OF THE LODGE.

SEVERAL LODGE MEMBERS HAVE BEEN LEADERS IN GOVERNMENT AND IN THE MASONIC ORDER. THESE MEN INCLUDE DAN SCOTT McMILLIN, GRAND MASTER OF TEXAS MASONS IN 1915, WHO SERVED AS BOTH A STATE REPRESENTATIVE AND STATE SENATOR; JAMES J. GALLAHER, GRAND HIGH PRIEST OF THE ROYAL ARCH CHAPTER OF TEXAS, WHO SERVED AS GRAND TREASURER OF TEXAS MASONS FOR 20 YEARS; AND JOHN THOMAS BEAN, GRAND MASTER OF TEXAS MASONS IN 1959, WHO CHAIRED THE CONFERENCE OF GRAND MASTERS OF MASONRY IN NORTH AMERICA IN 1960. LODGE MEMBERSHIP HAS ALSO INCLUDED OTHER PROMINENT LEADERS.

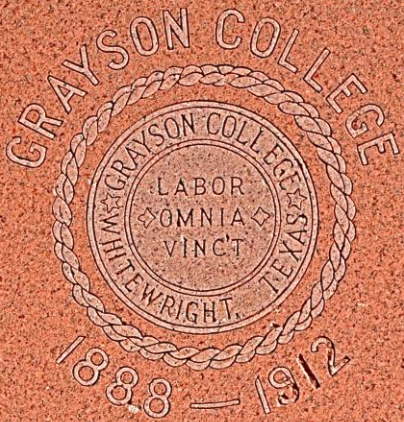
TODAY THE LODGE IS THE SECOND OLDEST MASONIC GROUP IN GRAYSON COUNTY WITH CONTINUOUS SERVICE. THE HISTORY OF THE LODGE AND ITS MEMBERS REFLECTS THE FORMATION OF WHITEWRIGHT AND THE COUNTY.

(2003)





# Grayson College



ORIGINAL CAMPUS SITE

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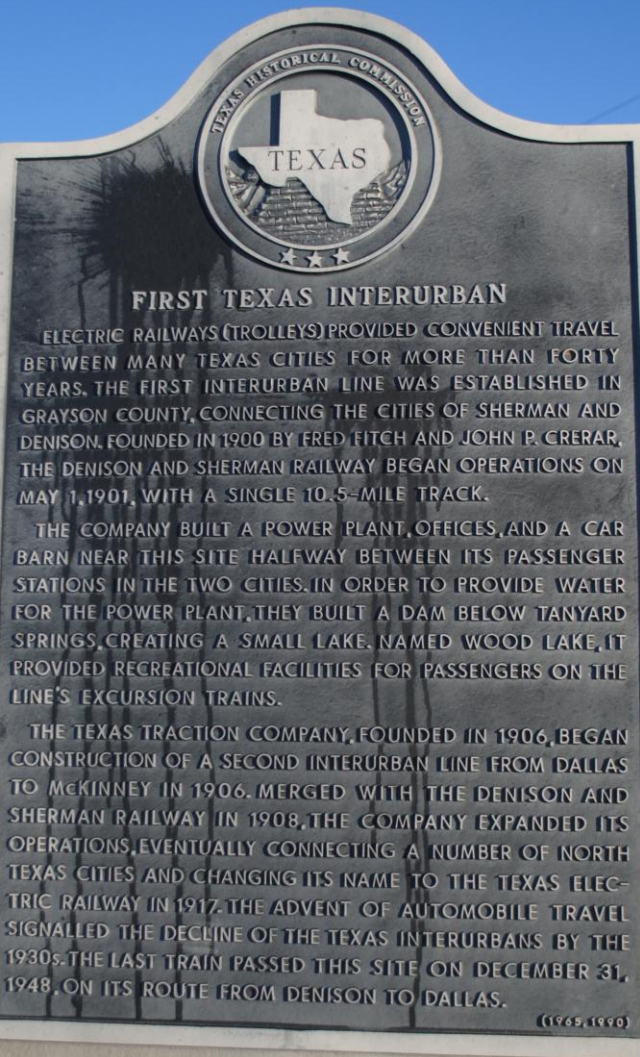
# Kentucky Town





Other





# First Texas Interurban

## FIRST TEXAS INTERURBAN

ELECTRIC RAILWAYS (TROLLEYS) PROVIDED CONVENIENT TRAVEL BETWEEN MANY TEXAS CITIES FOR MORE THAN FORTY YEARS. THE FIRST INTERURBAN LINE WAS ESTABLISHED IN GRAYSON COUNTY, CONNECTING THE CITIES OF SHERMAN AND DENISON. FOUNDED IN 1900 BY FRED FITCH AND JOHN P. CRERAR, THE DENISON AND SHERMAN RAILWAY BEGAN OPERATIONS ON MAY 1, 1901, WITH A SINGLE 10.5-MILE TRACK.

THE COMPANY BUILT A POWER PLANT, OFFICES, AND A CAR BARN NEAR THIS SITE HALFWAY BETWEEN ITS PASSENGER STATIONS IN THE TWO CITIES. IN ORDER TO PROVIDE WATER FOR THE POWER PLANT, THEY BUILT A DAM BELOW TANYARD SPRINGS, CREATING A SMALL LAKE. NAMED WOOD LAKE, IT PROVIDED RECREATIONAL FACILITIES FOR PASSENGERS ON THE LINE'S EXCURSION TRAINS.

THE TEXAS TRACTION COMPANY, FOUNDED IN 1906, BEGAN CONSTRUCTION OF A SECOND INTERURBAN LINE FROM DALLAS TO MCKINNEY IN 1906. MERGED WITH THE DENISON AND SHERMAN RAILWAY IN 1908, THE COMPANY EXPANDED ITS OPERATIONS, EVENTUALLY CONNECTING A NUMBER OF NORTH TEXAS CITIES AND CHANGING ITS NAME TO THE TEXAS ELECTRIC RAILWAY IN 1917. THE ADVENT OF AUTOMOBILE TRAVEL SIGNALLED THE DECLINE OF THE TEXAS INTERURBANS BY THE 1930s. THE LAST TRAIN PASSED THIS SITE ON DECEMBER 31, 1948, ON ITS ROUTE FROM DENISON TO DALLAS.

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# 1931 Free Bridge Controversy