



# TARRANT COUNTY TXGENWEB

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## Civil War Veterans of Northeast Tarrant County

### Moses S. Allen

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Moses S. Allen, was a Civil War veteran who died in 1917 at the County poor farm and was buried in Birdville Cemetery. He was born in June 1836 in Indiana, and was a son of Hiram and Almira Allen. By 1841, Moses had moved with his parents to Ohio. By 1850 Moses's parents and siblings were living in Spencer, Hamilton County, Ohio. By 1860, Moses was still living in Spencer and was working as a machinist. By the time the 1870 census was taken, Moses's father had died and Moses was still living with his widowed mother and some of his siblings. He was working as a carpenter. In 1880 Moses Allen and his first wife, Elvira, were living at 1203 Foster Street in St. Louis, St. Louis Co., Missouri. Elvira was born about 1848 in Virginia to two native Virginians. Moses told the census taker he was born in Indiana to a New Jersey-born father and a native New Yorker mother. He was working as a millwright. He had his mother-in-law, Eliza Giddings, living with him. In 1880 Moses and Elvira had no children living with them. Moses's second wife, Louise V. Allen, also died in 1917 and was buried at Birdville. Moses and Louise were married about 1889, and both had been married once before. The 1900 census taker found them living in Fort Worth's Ward 1 at 600 Calhoun Street. He told the census taker both his parents were natives of New Jersey. Louise told the census taker she was born in May 1858 in Kentucky to two native Kentuckians. She had given birth to two children, only one of who was still living; the daughter was Edna E. Adams, who was born in September 1890 in Texas. When the 1910 census was taken, Moses and Louise were living in Fort Worth's Ward 6 on Ballenger Street. Moses claimed to have been a Civil War veteran, but his allegiance is not legible on the original record. Apparently he did not receive a pension for having served in either army. The 1910 census shows him to be a millwright by profession, who was at the time making a living doing odd jobs. He died at 7 p.m. November 26, 1917 at the county farm, and was buried at Birdville. He died of senility. The informant was Mr. Holman at the county farm.