



TARRANT COUNTY TXGENWEB

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Civil War Veterans of Northeast Tarrant County

John T. Bailey

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John T. Bailey was born in Kentucky on October 11, 1827. In 1852 he and his wife, Florine Samuels, were married. In 1860, he, his wife “Chlorine” Bailey, and their first daughter (born in Kansas) were living in Atchison County, Kansas Territory.

There was one John T. Bailey who was a Confederate soldier in the 28th (Randal’s) Texas Cavalry, 1st Texas Lancers. His Compiled Military Service Records give no evidence about his age, wounds, or residence; therefore this may or may not be the John T. Bailey who lived the last part of his life in the White’s Chapel Community.

When Bailey registered to vote in 1867, he stated that he had come to Texas about 1861, and to Precinct 3 of Tarrant county about 1865. He patented the J. T. Bailey survey of one hundred sixty acres on January 13, 1873. The north line of the Bailey survey lies along today’s FM 1709-Southlake Boulevard in present-day Southlake. Its northeast corner lies at about the intersection of FM 1709 and Shady Oaks Dr. Its northwest corner lies about 200 feet west of the intersection of FM 1709 and Ginger Court. None of its western, southern, or eastern boundaries correspond to modern-day streets. Its southwest corner lies about 300 feet south of the intersection of Stratford and Dartmouth Streets, and its southeast corner was about five hundred feet east of the intersection of Timberlake and Lakeway East Streets.

John T. Bailey died October 9, 1882 and was buried at White’s Chapel. His widow often told her grandchildren that Bailey had died from the effects of an arm wound he had received while in the Confederate Army.

Florine Bailey was a charter member of the Pleasant Hill Advent Christian Church, formed at the Old Union School House near White’s Chapel on February 7, 1883, and was a member of the Christian church at Bedford at the time of her death. After John’s death, Mrs. Bailey was married to a Pulliam, but her obituary in The Grapevine Sun uses her Bailey surname.

In 1895 she was living along the western edge of the J. T. Bailey survey, at approximately the center of its west line. This would place her home at about the center of Sheffield Street between Lakeway West and Normandy Drive.

She died February 3, 1916, at age seventy-nine, from the effects of burns she accidentally suffered. She lies buried in an unmarked grave at White's Chapel.

Mrs. Bailey's obituary in The Grapevine Sun reads as follows: "*DIED. Mrs. Florine Bailey died Thursday, Feb. 3rd. She was 79 years old and had been a citizen of this community 51 years. She was a member of the Christian Church at Bedford. Was married to John Bailey in 1852. To this union was born thirteen children, of whom only four are still living: one daughter, Mrs. Emma Turnbo of Oklahoma and three sons, R. P. Bailey of Bedford community; B. F. Bailey and L. M. Bailey of this community; has 29 grand-children and 13 great-grandchildren. Mrs. Bailey's husband preceded her to the grave in 1882. Her remains were buried in White Chapel cemetery at 11:00 a.m. Friday, Feb. 4th. Funeral services were conducted by Rev. W. H. Day. The Sun tenders its sympathy to the bereaved relatives.*"

