



TARRANT COUNTY TXGENWEB

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Civil War Veterans of Northeast Tarrant County

Reuben M. Folsom

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Reuben M. Folsom was born in Campbell Co., Georgia on July 5, 1838. He served in Co. C, 21st Georgia Infantry. He enlisted in Campbell County on July 30, 1862. He was wounded at the Battle of Sharpsburg, Maryland on Sept. 17, 1862, and was captured at the Battle of Gettysburg on July 4, 1863. He was paroled at Point Lookout, Maryland and released pending an exchange of prisoners on February 18, 1865.

He married Martha M. Bunch, who was born May 5, 1848 in Walker County, Georgia. Folsom had moved to Tarrant County, Texas by 1874. He lived beside Mexican War and Civil War veteran Robert Morrow in the Bedford area in 1880, at which time he owned sixty acres of the T. Akers survey, which survey of about 320 acres is centered in present-day Hurst about where the intersection of Mountain View Drive and Chisholm Trail is found.

By 1886 the family moved to the Indian Territory, where they appear in the 1900 census in Township 13 of the Cherokee Nation. Folsom is shown as an Anglo-American. By 1910 he was living with his family in Akins Township, Sequoyah County, Oklahoma.

He died May 13, 1911 in Sequoyah County and is buried in Akins Cemetery. His and his wife's graves are marked. According to the 1900 census, Martha Folsom had given birth to five children, three of whom were still alive. Those children included Benjamin Ocie Folsom, James Isaiah Folsom, Parthena E. Folsom, and Maggie Folsom.