



# TARRANT COUNTY TXGENWEB

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## Civil War Veterans of Northeast Tarrant County

### James C. Cox

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James C. Cox was born October 4, 1840 in Jefferson County, Tennessee. When the 1880 census was taken he was living in the Pleasant Glade Community between two of our other veterans, James Hensley and Robert Cobb.

He was living in Caldwell County, Texas in 1870 where he was working as a laborer. With him were his wife and their daughter, Mary. Mrs. Ellen C. (Holly) Cox was born about 1852 in Mississippi. She was a resident of Ft. Worth at 410 Powell Bldg. when she applied for a widow's pension in 1909. She said Mr. Cox died November 6, 1908 in Tarrant County. She was 58 years old in 1909, born in Mississippi. She said she had been in Texas since she was five years old. She and Mr. Cox were married in Tarrant County on March 1, 1866. She thought he was in Co. I, 5<sup>th</sup> Missouri Cavalry.

When Cox applied for a pension in 1902, he said he had been in Tarrant County since about 1864 and in Fort Worth since about 1894. His address in 1900 was 203 Main Street in Fort Worth. He said he got typhoid fever in the army in 1862, and got pneumonia at the Battle of Pea Ridge, Arkansas. He was in Co. B, Craven's Reg., Missouri Volunteers. He said he served 4 years and 6 months, enlisting in the spring of 1861 and serving until the war's end. This may be Mitchell's 8<sup>th</sup> Missouri Infantry Regiment. He was surrendered at Shreveport, La in 1865.

Another of our vets, W. T. Sowell, said he was also in the 8<sup>th</sup> and made an affidavit for him. Cox was a member of the RE Lee Camp of United Confederate Veterans in Fort Worth, and he told them he was born in 1840 in Jefferson County, Tennessee. He also stated that he was in the Battles of Oak Hill, Lexington, Pea Ridge, Pleasant Hill, Mansfield, and Jenkins Ferry. Cox's death certificate says he was a resident of Grapevine at the time of his death, but it gives no clue as to his burial place.

The Coxes' children included Mary E. Cox, William S. Cox, Sylvester D. Cox, and James H. Cox. Neither Mr. nor Mrs. Cox has a readable headstone in northeast Tarrant County. Their son, Sylvester D. Cox, and his wife are buried at Smithfield Cemetery.