



# TARRANT COUNTY TXGENWEB

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## Civil War Veterans of Northeast Tarrant County

### Isaac P. Davis

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Isaac P. Davis was a Confederate veteran who lived in the Keller area when the War began. Family sources at ancestry.com say he was born September 7, 1840 in Catahoula Parish, Louisiana. He was a son of David M. Davis and Lucinda (Skinner) Davis, both of whom are buried in Mount Gilead Cemetery near Keller. The family came to Texas about 1847.

In 1850 the family was in Upshur County, Texas; in that year they owned one black male slave who was fourteen years old. In his Confederate pension application, Isaac said he settled in Tarrant County about 1859 or 1860.

Isaac served the Confederacy as a private in Co. A, 9<sup>th</sup> Texas Cavalry, as did many other northeast Tarrant County men. His records in the National Archives show he enlisted at Camp Reeves, Texas on October 14, 1861. He presented himself for service riding a horse worth \$125 and with equipment worth \$20. His initial enlistment was for one year, and he had ridden one hundred fifty miles to the regimental rendezvous. He was at Fort Gibson [Oklahoma] on December 31, 1861. He is shown present on all the surviving company muster rolls. He was on fatigue duty at some point in March or April 1862, was sick in camp during July or August 1862, and again was sick in camp in July or August 1863. He was absent with permission at some time in May and June 1864. With the rest of the regiment, he was surrendered at Citronelle, Alabama on May 4, 1865, and was paroled at Jackson, Mississippi on May 13, 1865. His residence at the time of his parole was recorded as Wise County, Texas.

Family sources at Ancestry.com say Isaac P. Davis married Ann Ray in Tarrant County on April 15, 1867.

One Isaac P. Davis (not proven to be the man in the 9<sup>th</sup> Texas Cavalry) is shown in the 1870 census of Precinct 3 of Henderson County, Texas. He was born about 1840 in Louisiana and was working as a house carpenter. His wife's name was Anna, and she was born about 1849 in Mississippi.

In 1880, in the family of Isaac's parents David and Lucinda Davis in the Mount Gilead area, there is one I. P. Davis, born about 1841 in Louisiana, who was working as a photographer. Isaac's presence in this family in 1880, sans a wife, seems to indicate that his Ann must have died during the 1870's. Isaac's two children, Ella and D[avid] R. Davis are also in the household. Isaac P. Davis buried Ella (Eller) at Mount Gilead in April of 1885 beside his parents, David and Lucinda Davis.

Isaac applied for a Confederate pension in 1907, and said at that time he lived at Roanoke, Tarrant County. In his pension application, Isaac said, "About twelve years ago [about 1895] I fell from a steamboat on Red River and broke both wrists."

By the time the 1910 census was taken, Isaac P. Davis was a widower living with his brother, William F. Davis, in District 109, Precinct 1, of Foard County, Texas. No death certificate for Isaac P. Davis has been located in the Texas Vital Statistics files.

Isaac P. Davis's children included Lucinda Eller Davis (January 4, 1872-April 1885) and David R. Davis, (born about 1874).

