



TARRANT COUNTY TXGENWEB

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Civil War Veterans of Northeast Tarrant County

Andrew Jackson Dye

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Andrew Jackson Dye was a Confederate veteran who lived for several years in Grapevine. A short time before his death, he moved to South Texas with his son, and died there.

Andrew J. Dye was born September 22, 1830, in Amite County, Mississippi, according to family sources. He was a son of John McCoy Dye and Sarah (Blake) Dye. He married Sophronia Fulton, a native of Missouri, according to the death certificate of their son, Alexander M. Dye. That certificate says A. M. Dye was born in Louisiana on July 11, 1860, thus it seems possible that A. J. Dye may have served in a Louisiana regiment. Family sources say Alexander Dye was born at Bayou Sara in West Feliciana Parish, Louisiana.

In his marriage with Sophronia Fulton, Mr. Dye had at least two children, William P. Dye and Alexander Magahay Dye.

Family sources also report a second marriage, to Mrs. Emma Mathis, who died in 1893. In this marriage he was the father of at least three children: Henry Lee Dye, Marvin Marion Dye (1887-1969), and Mary Dye.

Andrew J. Dye and his family are shown in the 1900 census in Precinct 4 of Dallas County, Texas. He said he was born in Mississippi to a Georgian father and an Irish mother. He was a widower. Two of his children were living with him: Marion M. Dye (born in April 1887 in Texas) and Mary E. Dye (born in October 1893 in Texas). Also with him were a step-son, Tom C. Milam (born in 1882) and a niece, Ida Mathis (born in 1884). This census also shows that the mother of Marion and Mary Dye was born in Texas.

A note in the Grapevine Sun of June 20, 1903 says: *“Mr. A. J. Dye, one of our old ex-Confederates, has received a bunch of sample copies of the Confederate Veteran which he has placed in our office to be given out to prospective subscribers. Come in and get a copy. The next number of the*

[illegible] full proceedings of the reunion at New Orleans which took place last month, which.....”
A note also appeared in the same newspaper about a trip he and his granddaughter took back to his old home in Mississippi. As soon as this short notice can be refound, it will be added to this sketch.

When the 1910 census was taken, Andrew Dye was living in Grapevine in the home of his son, Alexander M. Dye. Mr. Dye told the census taker in 1910 that he was a Confederate veteran.

Andrew J. Dye died at San Benito in Cameron County, Texas, on either May 30 or June 6, 1912, depending upon what “last Thursday” means in his obituary. The notice of Mr. Dye’s passing appeared in the Grapevine Sun on Saturday, June 8, 1912: *“DIED. It is with sorrow that we chronicle the death of Mr. A. J. Dye, which occurred last Thursday at the home of his son, A. M. Dye, at San Benito, Texas. Deceased was a citizen of this place and has quite a number of friends in this community who regret to learn of his death. Mr. Dye lived to what is considered a ripe old age, as he was about 82 years old at the time of his death. Peace to his ashes.”* He has no death certificate on file. Family sources report that his death took place on June 4, 1912.



A. J. Dye, Mary Dye and the family. A. J. is the older gentleman with the artificial foot.
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