



TARRANT COUNTY TXGENWEB

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Civil War Veterans of Northeast Tarrant County

William S. Lumbley

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William S. Lumbley was a veteran of a local Confederate cavalry company. His sister, Rosanna Lumbley, was the wife of another of our veterans, Thomas Pritchard. The Lumbleys and Thomas Pritchard came to northeast Tarrant County about the time the War began and settled in the area of present-day Southlake. William remained here until after 1870, when he moved southwest into central Texas. He died in Mason County just before the turn of the century.

Family members have placed a considerable amount of information on the Lumbleys at ancestry.com. They say William was born in Joplin County, Missouri on September 13, 1837. He was a son of George Washington Lumbley and his wife, Elizabeth (Chenault) Lumbley. In 1840, Washington Lumbley and his family lived in Smith Township in Barry County, Missouri. Washington's father, William Lumbley, was a veteran of the American Revolution who also moved to the same area of Missouri before he died in 1843.

In the 1850 census of District 6 of Bates County, Missouri, William Lumbley appears as a fourteen-year-old boy in his father's family. William's next-oldest sibling, Mary, was born about 1824 in Tennessee. William's father was a farmer and a teacher in that year.

William S. Lumbley was married about 1857 in Missouri to Martha Ann D. Cox. She was born April 10, 1842 in Tennessee, and was a daughter of William G. Cox and his wife, Elizabeth (Cantrell) Cox.

William Lumbley and his wife, Martha A. D. Lumbley, were listed in the 1860 Newton County, Missouri census in Buffalo Township. They had only one child with them: Washington D. Lumbley, who was seven months old. The family's next-door neighbors were William's parents, Washington and Elizabeth Lumbley. About 1861 the Lumbleys left Missouri and moved to Tarrant County, Texas.

William enlisted in the Confederate service at Grapevine, Texas on January 15, 1862. The enlisting officer was Hiram Crowley. William enlisted for a term of twelve months. He became a private in Co. A, Alexander's Regiment of Texas Volunteer Cavalry. This subsequently became Co. A, 34th Texas Cavalry.. On a regimental roll for the period February 28 through June 30, 1863 a notation is made which says: "Due for use of arms \$9.00 to October 16, 1862 for mileage 110 miles." On a roll for January and February 1864 the notation appears: "Left sick at Shreveport, La. July 8, 1863." No further record of Mr. Lumbley's service has survived.

On April 10, 1866, A. H. Boyd, W. S. Lumbley, and D. M. Lipscomb witnessed the will of Tarrant County resident George Aplin. All three of the witnesses lived in the Grapevine-Eules area of Tarrant County. On October 29, Mr. Lumbley signed (by mark) a document proving the will.

On August 31, 1867, W. S. Lumbley registered to vote in Tarrant County. He said he had been a resident of Texas, Tarrant County, and Precinct 2 for six years. He was born in Missouri. His father, G. W. Lumbley, appears in the same list with the same information, except that G. W. Lumbley's birthplace is listed as South Carolina.

By the time the 1870 census was taken, Mr. and Mrs. Lumbley had moved their family to Caldwell County and settled in an area served by the post office at Lockhart. He said he was thirty-six years old and a native of Missouri. His wife, Martha, was twenty-eight and a Tennessean. The children with them there were Washington, Sarah, and Martha Lumbley. William owned no real estate but had personal property worth three hundred dollars. William's parents were listed not far away in the same census.

By 1880 they had moved again, to Precinct 1 of Mason County, Texas. William and Martha had seven children with them: Washington, Sarah M., Martha A., Mary, William, Marguerite, and Walter Lumbley. Mr. Lumbley's name does not appear in the 1880 agricultural census there.

William S. Lumbley died November 18, 1898 in Mason County, Texas. He lies buried with a readable headstone in Union Band Cemetery between Pontotoc and Fredonia, and just a few yards inside the Mason County line. His wife lies buried beside him. Satellite maps make it look as if the cemetery may be just inside the San Saba County line.

Martha A. Lumbley and her family appear in the census of Precinct 8 of Mason County, Texas in 1900. She had four children with her: Mary T., Walter, Willmertha, and Priscilla Lumbley. In that year, Martha Lumbley said she had given birth to ten children, nine of whom were still alive. Neither Mr. nor Mrs. Lumbley filed for Confederate pension benefits in Texas.

In 1920, Martha A. Lumbley was living in Concho County, Texas with the family of her married daughter, Priscilla McGuffin, Priscilla's husband Jess James McGuffin, and their children.

Descendants say Mrs. Martha A. Lumbley died in Mason County, Texas on November 18, 1926. It seems possible she may have died in Concho County at her daughter's home. We have been unable to find a death certificate for her. She lies buried beside her husband in Mason County, Texas in Union Band Cemetery between Pontotoc and Fredonia.

The following list of William S. Lumbley's children was compiled from a variety of internet family sources, public records, and cemetery records. This list contains nine names. There was one additional child, based upon Mrs. Lumbley's statement to the census taker in 1900.

Washington S. Lumbley was born November 30, 1858. By 1910 he and his wife, Lottie, were living in Precinct 1 of Angelina County, Texas. He died at his home along Route 1 in Lufkin, Angelina County, Texas on July 16, 1947. His death certificate says he was buried in Knights Cemetery in Lufkin. His wife survived him.

Martha Ann "Mattie" Lumbley was born April 15, 1865. She married John Noble Davis (1868-1956) in Mason County, Texas on April 10, 1889. She died October 28, 1900 at Elkins, Brown County, Texas, and was buried in Elkins Cemetery.

Sarah M. Lumley was born about 1866. She was still with the family in Mason County in 1880.

Mary T. Lumley was born in January 1873 according to census records. Her death certificate says she was born in 1870. She was married to a Mr. Inman. She died August 11, 1941 at Eden in Concho County, Texas. Her death certificate says she was buried in Hilton Cemetery.

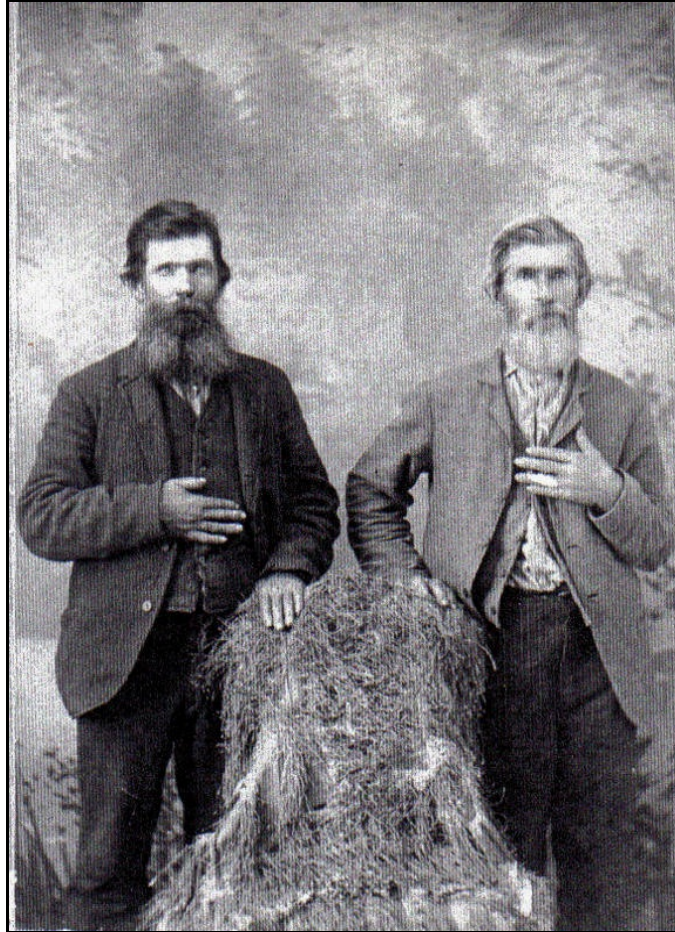
William Ruben Lumbley was born October 6, 1874 (at San Saba, Texas, according to his death certificate). He married Susan Ann Wooten (1879-1957). His last permanent residence was at Eden in Concho County, Texas. He died May 13, 1967 in the Concho County Hospital at Eden, Texas. He was buried the next day in Eden Cemetery.

Walter Stephens Lumbley was born December 12, 1879. He lived with his wife, Laura C. Lumbley, and their children in Precinct 7 of Mason County in 1910. He registered for the draft for World War I in Concho County, Texas. He lived at Eden in Concho County in 1920. Family members say he died in 1972.

Margaret M. Lumbley was born about 1876. She was still alive with her father's family in 1880.

Wilmerth Ann Lumbley was born in March 15, 1877 (according to her death certificate). She married John E. Rowe. In 1930 she lived with her husband and children in Precinct 5 of Runnels County, Texas. She died at Abilene, Taylor County, Texas on May 13, 1972.

Priscilla Lumbley was born January 20, 1884. She married Jess James McGuffin (1885-1956) about 1903. She and her husband lived with their children in Concho County in 1930. Priscilla died February 9, 1951. She and Mr. McGuffin lie buried in Eden Cemetery in Concho County.



William S. Lumbley (left) and John H. Davis (right).
Lumbley's daughter married Davis's son.