Civil War Veterans of Northeast Tarrant County

Eugene Slater

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Eugene Slater was born November 18, 1846 in Grimes County, Texas, a son of Stephen T. Slater and his wife, Mary Gilleland. By 1850 Eugene was living with his parents in Milam County, Texas, and in 1860 the family lived in Williamson County, Texas.

Eugene enlisted in the Confederate cavalry in 1864 in Williamson County, Texas in Co. D, Capt. Easley’s Co., under Col. Bradford Mann. His official records show he enlisted November 18, 1864 at Galveston. An undated prisoner of war record shows him to be a resident of Milam County, Texas. He was in Galveston at the time the war ended. He was paroled July 23, 1865 at San Gabriel, Milam Co., Texas, by a Captain of the 18th New York regiment. His official records show him to have been a member of Co. C, Mann’s Regiment of Texas Cavalry.

By 1870, Slater was living and working as a farmer in Milam County, Texas. His wife, Mary Slater, was born in August, 1851 in Harrison County, Texas. They were married on June 20, 1875 in Milam County, Texas. Eugene and his family appear in the 1880 census of Coleman County, Texas, and in the Dallas County, Texas censuses of 1900 and 1910.

Both Slater and his wife were pensioned for his Confederate service. He applied in 1909 when he was living at 1208 Stella Street in Fort Worth. Eugene Slater died on November 4, 1920 in Tarrant County about ten miles north of Arlington at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Mattie Maxwell. No Texas death certificate for him has been found.

When Mrs. Slater applied for her pension in 1920, she said she had lived at her present home north of Arlington for three years. Her pension papers say she died February 20, 1940 (the Texas Vital Statistics files say February 2) in Grand Prairie, Dallas County, at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Nettie McGlothlin. Both Mr. and Mrs. Slater lie buried in Bedford Cemetery near many of their descendants.
When the 1910 census was taken, Mrs. Slater said she had given birth to thirteen children, ten of whom were still living. Some of the Slater children were Mamie P. Slater, Arthur R. Slater, Marbett Mitt “Monk” Slater, Alice G. Slater, Hope Slater, Nettie Slater, Laura Slater, Dora Slater, Eugene R. Slater, and Anna May Slater.