



# TARRANT COUNTY TXGENWEB

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## Civil War Veterans of Northeast Tarrant County

### Milton Monroe Wallace

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Milton Monroe Wallace was a native of Alabama who served in a local Confederate cavalry regiment. He lived in northeast Tarrant County for several years in the 1860's and 1870's before moving further west. He died in Coleman County, Texas and lies buried there.

Mr. Wallace was born in Birmingham, Jefferson County, Alabama on April 22, 1833. Family internet researchers say he was a son of Joel Wallace (1771-1853) and his wife, Rebecca (Wall) Wallace (1795-1846).

About 1853 Milton was married to Tabitha Ann Blanton, who was born February 16, 1835. Census records give her birthplace as Arkansas. Some family sources on the internet say she was born at Whitewright, Grayson County, Texas.

Census records suggest that Mr. Wallace and his wife had come to live in Texas by about 1853. When the 1860 census was taken, they lived in Precinct 3 of Collin County, Texas. Their children with them in that year included Mary R., Eliza J., and James J. Wallace. They lived in the area served by the post office at Weston. Two of the families nearest them were headed by F.L. Blanton and Obadiah Blanton.

Mr. Wallace joined the Confederate forces on March 6, 1862 at Fort McCulloch for a term of three years. He became a private in Co. B, Alexander's Regiment of Dismounted Texas Cavalry. This regiment subsequently became known as the 34<sup>th</sup> Texas Cavalry. On November 4, 1862 he was dismounted and served thereafter in that capacity. On January 2, 1863 he was left sick in Arkansas. As a corporal he was still with the regiment in 1865, but was away from duty sick at that time. No other records of his service have survived in the National Archives.

Mr. Wallace and his family appear in the 1870 census of Precinct 2 of Tarrant County. The names of their close neighbors suggest they lived in the area of present-day Southlake. Mr. Wallace owned

real estate worth five hundred dollars, and personal property worth the same amount. Mr. and Mrs. Wallace had four children with them in that year. The census taker recorded only the initials and the sexes of the children: the oldest was fifteen years old and a girl; her first initial may be N, and her second initial is probably either I or J. The second is a boy ten years old whose initials may be J. J. The third was a boy six years old whose initials were M. M. The fourth was a two-year-old girl whose initials were M. E.

M. M. "Wallas" appears in the 1870 Tarrant County agricultural census. He was working a farm which consisted of twenty-three acres of improved farm land and fifty-seven acres of woodland. The farm was worth five hundred dollars and his farming implements were valued at sixty-five dollars. He had two horses, three milk cows, and five sheep. His livestock was valued at four hundred thirty-five dollars.

When the 1875 tax list was prepared Mr. Wallace was shown as the owner of eighty acres of the Thomas Beedy survey, worth five hundred dollars. He also owned three horses or mules worth one hundred dollars, five cows worth thirty dollars, six goats or hogs worth five dollars, and thirty dollars worth of personal property. He still owned the same tract of land in 1876.

There are several Thomas Beedy surveys in Tarrant County. It seems obvious the one partly-owned by Mr. Wallace was the one in present-day Southlake. The survey was a square, one-half mile on each side, and contained one hundred sixty acres. In 1875 Mr. Wallace owned half of it. In modern-day terms, the survey's northwest corner lies at the intersection of Dove Road (which follows its north line) and Peytonville Road (which follows its west line). No present-day streets follow the survey's east or south lines.

Milton Wallace and his family appear in the census in 1880 in Jack County's Precinct 3. Five children were with the family in that year: James J., Milton M., Margaret E., Lerer? A., and William E. Wallace.

In 1900 Mr. and Mrs. Wallace lived alone in Precinct 7 of Coleman County, Texas. They were farming on land which they owned.

Ten years later when the census was taken, Mr. and Mrs. Wallace lived at Santa Anna, still in Precinct 7. Two of their granddaughters, Delta and Thelma Williams, lived with them. Mr. Wallace told the census taker he was a Confederate veteran.

Mr. Wallace's death certificate shows that he died at 7:30 p.m. on January 13, 1914 at Santa Anna in Coleman County, Texas. His death was caused by bronchitis and asthma. He was buried the next day in Santa Anna Cemetery. Mrs. Blanton died May 12, 1923. She was buried beside her husband. They have a large double upright engraved granite headstone.

In 1900 Mrs. Wallace told the census taker she had given birth to seven children, five of whom were still alive. All seven were alive when at least one of the censuses was taken, thus we have all their names: Mary R., Eliza J., James J., Milton M., Margaret E., Lerer? A., and William E. Wallace.

Mary R. Wallace was born about 1853. She was with the family in 1860, but not in 1870.

Eliza J. Wallace was born about 1857. She was still with her father's family in 1870.

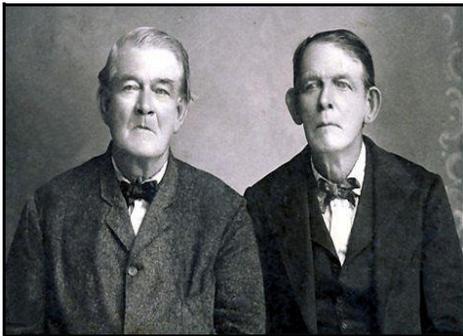
James J. Wallace was born near the end of 1859. Family records at ancestry.com say he died May 20, 1932 in Henderson County, Texas. A check of the census record for this J. J. Wallace (1861-1932) shows him to have been born in Louisiana. The Henderson County man is also shown to have been married in Alabama in 1879. Milton Wallace's son, James, was still living with his father's family as a single man in Jack County, Texas in 1880. To this researcher, at least, it seems likely the man buried in Henderson County, Texas was not the James J. Wallace who was a son of Milton Monroe Wallace.

Milton M. Wallace was born in April 1864. He was married about 1891 to Sarah Agnes "Sallie" Johnson (1875-1947). In 1900 he and his family lived in Runnels County, Texas, where he was working as a merchant. In 1910 they were at Tioga in Grayson County, Texas. Family internet sources say he died in 1917, but they do not say where he or his wife died.

Margaret Elinor Wallace was born in February 1868. She married Isaac Martin Johnson (1863-1948) at Chico, Wise County, Texas on August 12, 1889. She died at Antelope in Jack County, Texas in 1903. In 1910 two of her daughters lived with her father in Coleman County.

Lerer? A. Wallace was born about 1871. She was still alive when the census was taken in 1880.

William Edward Wallace was born May 3, 1874. He married Mary Agnes Byrum (1877-1962). He ran a cotton gin and was a stock farmer. He died at 3:27 p.m. on September 6, 1943 at Santa Anna, Coleman County, Texas in the Sealy Hospital. His last permanent home was in Santa Anna. He was buried the next day in Santa Anna Cemetery.



Milton M. Wallace on left, his brother Jasper on right

