



TARRANT COUNTY TXGENWEB

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Civil War Veterans of Northeast Tarrant County

Martin Luther Wolf

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Martin Luther Wolf lived at Grapevine when entered the Confederate Army, serving in a local cavalry company. He later moved to Fannin County, Texas, where he died just before the turn of the century. Throughout his life it appears Mr. Wolf used the spelling of his name without the final "e." His wife applied for her Confederate pension as Mrs. "Wolf," but several of the headstones of their children use the "Wolfe" form of the name, and M. L. Wolf's widow's obituary uses "Wolfe."

Family genealogists who have posted material at Ancestry.com say Mr. Wolf was born December 7, 1826 in Monroe County, Tennessee, and was a son of John Wolf (1793-1856) and his wife, Mary (Teets) Wolf (1793-1850). John Wolf appears in the 1830 and 1840 censuses of Monroe County.

When the 1850 census was taken, Martin Wolf had married, started a family, and was working as a wagonmaker in Monroe County, Tennessee's District 5. With him was his wife, Susannah, who was born in Tennessee about 1828. They had two sons with them: John, who was born about 1848; and Daniel, who was born about the month of November in 1849. Mrs. Susannah A. Wolf was born November 10, 1827 and died in Fannin County, Texas on September 15, 1885. She lies buried in the Carlisle-Wolf Cemetery north of Lannius, Fannin County, Texas.

Mr. Wolf enlisted as a private in Co. A, 9th Texas Cavalry, at Grapevine, Texas. Virtually nothing has survived in the official records about his service. His widow said in her pension application that he had spent time in a military prison in Jackson, Mississippi. With a large portion of the Confederate Army, he was surrendered at Citronelle, Alabama on May 4, 1865, and was paroled at Jackson, Mississippi on May 13, 1865. In 1929, Mrs. Wolf said her oldest [step] son was alive in Hugo, Oklahoma; and was alive during the wartime and knew his father was in it. The son said his father first served two years in a bridge company, and the last half of the war in the cavalry.

The census taker in 1870 found the Wolf family in Precinct 1 of Fannin County, Texas. Martin was working as a carpenter. His wife, Susannah, was still living. They had six children with them: John

(born about 1848), Daniel (born about 1850), Henry (born about 1852), William E., (born about 1857), Laura (born about 1859), and Joseph (born about 1861). This census indicates that all the children were born in Tennessee. If this is true, they must have immigrated immediately before the War began. Living with him in that year was his sister, Susannah Givens, and one of her children.

Ten years later, in 1880, the census shows the family living in Precinct 8 of Fannin County. Martin and Susannah had only one child still living with them, Joseph Wolf. Their next-door neighbors were Sabe Wolf and his wife, Catherine. Sabe Wolf was born about 1857, thus he may have been the William E. Wolf shown in the census ten years earlier.

An interesting insight into Mr. Wolf's life is to be found in the 1880 Fannin County agricultural census. In that year, Mr. Wolf had sixty acres under cultivation, and seventy acres of woodland. The value of all his buildings was two thousand five hundred dollars. His farming implements were worth twenty-five dollars and his livestock was worth four hundred dollars. He owned four horses and one mule. Twenty acres of his land were devoted to raising Indian corn, of which he produced four hundred bushels in 1879. In that same year he had seventeen acres in cotton and produced six bales.

Mr. Wolf and his second wife, Eliza J., were married at Bonham, Texas on January 14, 1887. In her pension application, filed in 1929, Mrs. Wolf said she was born in Gibson County, Tennessee about 1847. She moved to Oklahoma about 1903, and was living at Boswell, Choctaw County, Oklahoma when she applied for a Confederate widow's pension in April 1929.

Mr. Wolf died at Lannius, Fannin County, Texas on February 20, 1898. He lies buried in the Carlisle-Wolf Cemetery north of Lannius, Texas.. As of 2010, it is on private property owned by Gaylon Hammett of nearby Dodd City, Texas.

An obituary appeared for Mrs. Wolfe in The Hugo Daily News on January 30, 1935: "*MRS. E. J. WOLFE IS BURIED HERE MON. Mother of Mrs. H.W. Wallace Died Suddenly Tues. A.M. Mrs. E. J. Wolfe age 88 years, died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. H.W. Wallace, 602 E. Bluff St., Jan. 29th. Funeral services were conducted at the residence at 3 o'clock today with Rev. Hicks, pastor of the First Methodist church, officiating. Mrs. Wolfe was a resident of Boswell for 30 years prior to coming to Hugo, about a year ago to reside with her daughter. Immediate relatives are one daughter, Mrs. H.W. Wallace, Hugo; six grandchildren, Heron Wallace, Palestine, Texas; Mrs. Douglas Acker, Seminole, Okla.; Mrs. Hershel Hearne, Overton, Texas; John Braswell, Topeka, Kansas; Floyd Braswell, Carlyle Kansas, and Miss Juanita Wallace, Hugo, Oklahoma; a nephew, E.H. Bailey, of Hugo. Pall bearers were S.C. Williams, Gordon Moore, R.E. Woodson, R.L. Childers, H.M. Black and I.R. Armstrong. Interment was made in the Mount Olivet cemetery with Senner funeral home in charge of arrangements.*"

John S. Wolfe was born September 1, 1848 and died July 27, 1918. He lies buried beside his wife, Lavania J.. Wolfe (June 1, 1852-February 18, 1908) in the Carlisle-Wolf Cemetery in Fannin County, Texas. His name is spelled Wolfe on his headstone.

Daniel W. Wolfe was born October 12, 1849. He died January 8, 1925, and lies buried in the Carlisle-Wolf Cemetery in Fannin County, Texas. His name is spelled Wolfe on his headstone.



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