



TARRANT COUNTY TXGENWEB

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Civil War Veterans of Northeast Tarrant County

George W. Ash

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George W. Ash was a Confederate veteran who lived for decades in the area of present-day Euless. He was born in Tennessee on October 1, 1836. He had arrived in Tarrant County by 1860, when he appears in the tax list here.

About 1861, Ash married Margaret J. Crowley, the daughter of Tarrant County pioneer and Peters Colonist Isham Crowley, among the earliest settlers of the Bear Creek/Euless area of Tarrant County. Her headstone at Oakwood Cemetery in Fort Worth says she was born March 17, 1843 and died January 23, 1899. Family tradition says she died in 1887 and was buried in Bear Creek Cemetery. However, she appears in the 1900 census of Tarrant County with her husband and one of her children.

Ash served in the Confederate Army in Co. A, 34th Texas Cavalry. His records in Washington say he enlisted on June 30, 1862 at Fort McCulloch under Matthew W. Deavenport, for a term of three years. He was dismounted on November 1, 1862. On January 6, 1864, he was sent to a hospital near the town of Vienna. His military records contain no further information.

In 1862 owned 105 acres of the Sol Hewitt survey, 160 acres of the A. Bradford survey, and 40 acres of the A. J. Hewitt survey.

In 1875 G. W. Ash owned 160 acres of the A. Bradford survey, which is crossed by Dobkins Branch in the east part of Euless just before it empties into Bear Creek.

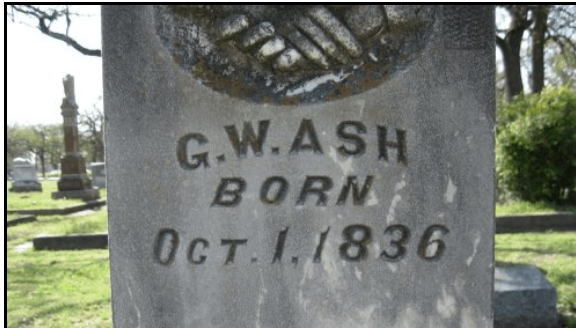
They appear in the 1880 Tarrant County census, living in Precinct 3 south of Big Bear Creek. In that year, Mr. Ash said he was born in Virginia to two Tennesseans. He was presently suffering from a broken ankle. Mrs. Ash said she was born in Missouri to two Alabamians. Mr. and Mrs. Ash had three children with them at that time: Hiram M. Ash (born about 1863), Balsora A., (a daughter

born about 1873), and Ira A., (born about 1875). They also had a niece of Mr. Ash's, Louisa Perkins, living with them; she was born in Missouri about 1866.

When the 1900 census was taken, Ash told the enumerator he was born in October of 1836 in Tennessee, that he did not know where his father was born, and that his mother was born in Tennessee. His wife, Margaret J. Ash, said she had given birth to three children, all of whom were still living. Only one was still living with them in 1900, a son Augustus, born in February 1877. At this time, he was still living in the Eules neighborhood. We can offer no explanation for his being buried in North Fort Worth, but he has a headstone there.

Records at Oakwood Cemetery in Fort Worth indicate that Mr. Ash was buried there on May 19, 1902. Mr. Ash did not apply for a Confederate pension from the State of Texas. He was a member of the Robert E. Lee Camp of United Confederate Veterans in Fort Worth.

An obituary for Mr. Ash appeared in the [Fort Worth Morning Register](#) on May 17, 1902: *"THE DEATH LIST. George W. Ash. George W. Ash, a Confederate Veteran, aged 66 years, died yesterday morning at 2:25 o'clock at his home, 401 Eat Belknap street, of Bright's disease. Funeral services will be conducted at the family residence at 9:30 this morning by Rev. Luther Little of the First Baptist church. Deceased was the father of Mrs. B. A. Heene and Messrs. Mahan and Gus Ash, and was a well known citizen of Fort Worth."*



Headstone of G.W. and Margaret Ash, Oakwood Cemetery, Fort Worth, Texas

