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Civil War Veterans of Northeast Tarrant County

Josiah Daugherty

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Josiah Daugherty was a charter member of Pleasant Run Baptist Church in present-day Colleyville in 1877. He has many descendants in northeast Tarrant County today.

Josiah Daugherty was born in Missouri on March 27, 1842. He was the son of Evan Daugherty (1817-1860) and his wife, Caroline Celena Hunt (1817-1874).

Josiah was a Confederate soldier. He enlisted in May, 1861 and served until he was discharged on June 5, 1865. He was a member of the 11th (Col. Burns') Missouri Infantry. His original files show he enlisted on July 19, 1862 at Camp Cedar, Arkansas and the enlisting officer was Major Thomas Wright. He received pay as a cavalry soldier from July 10 to September 1, 1862 (\$32.80) and pay as an infantryman from September 1 to October 11, 1862 (\$22.00). He was taken prisoner and paroled on January 25, 1863 at Van Buren, Arkansas by Lt. Col. Stuart, 10th Illinois Cavalry. His name appears on a list of prisoners of war surrendered at New Orleans, Louisiana on May 26, 1865, and paroled at Shreveport, Louisiana on June 8, 1865.

Daugherty was married twice; his first wife was Martha M. "Mattie" McKinley, a daughter of two more Pleasant Run founders, Handy H. McKinley and his wife, Ann McKinley.

Martha M. (McKinley) Daugherty was born in October, 1845 in Chambers County, Alabama. They were married on November 17, 1867 in Union County, Arkansas. They had seven children: John Daugherty (1868), Thomas Daugherty (1870), Josiah Daugherty (1872), Evan Daugherty (1874), Jessie Handy Daugherty (born 1877 in Texas), Fannie Daugherty (born 1880, Mrs. Wilton Harry Cox, then Mrs. Henry Harris), and Pearl Daugherty (born 1884, Mrs. Charlie Miller, then Mrs. John Victor Nicholas). Martha M. "Mattie" Daugherty died in 1885 and was buried in Arlington Cemetery in Tarrant County, Texas.

On April 7, 1877, Daugherty and his wife, Martha, became charter members of Pleasant Run Baptist Church in present-day Colleyville, Tarrant County, Texas. Martha Daugherty's parents and several other members of her family were also charter members of the church.

By 1880, Daugherty had returned to Arkansas and was living Prairie Township in Washington County. Census evidence indicates that his first move to Texas had taken place after November, 1874. A child was born in Texas, probably in Tarrant County, in March 1877, and by the birth of the next child in May, 1880 they were back in Arkansas.

After 1880 the family again returned to Texas. Their oldest child, John, died in 1883 and was buried in Arlington Cemetery. Mrs. Daugherty died in 1885 and was buried beside him.

Family sources record that Daugherty and his second wife, Sarah Claunch, had a daughter, Mary Lou (Mrs. Edward Ebling, then Mrs. Minous Martin Todd) born in 1887 at McLeod in Cass County, Texas; and a son, Monroe, born in 1889 in Savoy, Grayson County, Texas.

By 1900, Daugherty and his family had returned to Arkansas and were living in Alabama Township, Nevada County. When the 1910 census was taken, he was living in Bodcaw Township, Hempstead County, Arkansas. Family sources say Josiah applied for a pension based upon his Confederate service on May 15, 1911, but this researcher has not been able to find it. It was approved on August 10, 1911.

Daugherty died of mitral regurgitation in Nevada County, Arkansas on August 15, 1920, and was buried in Shover Springs Cemetery in Hempstead County, Arkansas.

