



# TARRANT COUNTY TXGENWEB

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## Civil War Veterans of Northeast Tarrant County

### Hamilton Hust

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Hamilton Hust was among the earliest settlers in Tarrant County. He was a Confederate soldier who enlisted here and who lived after the War for a time in Missouri before moving back to Tarrant County in the 1870's.

Hamilton Hust was born about 1833 in Indiana, a son of John A. and Christina Hust, some of the earliest pioneers of Tarrant County. His parents lie buried in Birdville Cemetery.

At some time around 1848, John A. Hust moved his family from Indiana to Texas. They appear in the 1850 census of Tarrant County, in which Hamilton appears at sixteen years of age, and a native of Indiana.

Hamilton Hust appears in the 1860 tax list as the owner of parts of the John A. Hust survey and the Hamilton Hust survey.

Hamilton first joined Capt. J. R. Cummings Company of West Fork Guards, a mounted company raised in the neighborhood of Bear Creek and Leonard's Mill in northeast Tarrant County. Hust's name appears on a muster roll dated June 18, 1861.

Hust later served the Confederacy in Co. K, 7<sup>th</sup> Texas Cavalry. He enlisted at Mansfield, Texas on October 16, 1861 under Captain Thomas O. Moody. Hust traveled three hundred miles to the rendezvous, on a horse worth three hundred dollars and bringing with him equipment worth thirty dollars. He was mustered into the Confederate service at Camp Pickett near San Antonio on November 15, 1861. He was twenty-eight years old at the time of his enlistment. Records show him to have been present with the regiment as late as November, 1863.

On September 11, 1863 he patented the 160-acre survey which bears his name. In modern-day terms, it sits in present-day Bedford and Hurst. Its north line lies along Precinct Line Road, and it extends east, south, and west from where Forest Ridge Drive ends from the north at Precinct Line Road. Oddly, even though he did not patent the land until 1863, he is shown owning a part of it in the 1860 tax list.

When the 1870 census was taken, Hamilton and his family were living in Missouri, where they appear in the listing for Madison Township, Grundy County. Hamilton was a 37-year-old farmer, born in Indiana; his wife, Martha, was born about 1837 in Missouri. They had five children with them: Terrell B. Hust (born about 1858 in Texas); Tarrant T. Hust (born about 1861 in Texas); Hamilton F. Hust (born about 1864 in Texas); Sarah E. Hust (born about 1866 in Texas); and Julia (or Judia) A. Hust (born about 1868 in Missouri).

By 1880, Hamilton Hust was back in Tarrant County with a second wife. Her name was Mary J., and she was born about 1850 in Illinois. They had two children from Hamilton's first marriage with them: Sarah E. Hust, born about 1867 in Texas, and Judie C., born about 1869 in Texas. There was also a step-daughter of Hamilton's with them, Allice Grace, born about 1861 in Illinois.