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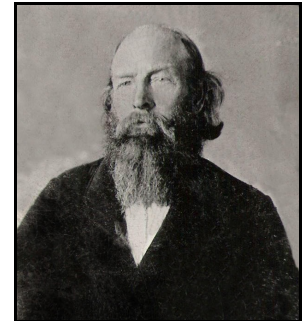
Civil War Veterans of Northeast Tarrant County

Charles Baker McDonald

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Charles Baker McDonald was born in Habersham Co., Georgia on Christmas Day in 1825. He was a son of Andrew McDonald and his wife, Elizabeth (Baker) McDonald. Both Charles's grandfathers, James McDonald and Charles Baker, were soldiers in the American Revolution. Charles moved with his father, stepmother, and siblings to Pontotoc Co., Mississippi about 1838.

About 1842 the group came to Texas, settling in Hunt County, where Charles and his father were Mercer's Colonists. He was married twice, first on February 21, 1850 in Hunt County, Texas to Frances M. Ruble. Frances was born in Meade County, Kentucky on March 5, 1832. Family sources say she died in 1861 in Tarrant County. Charles and his family settled near White's Chapel in 1860.



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In June, 1861 in Tarrant County he joined Capt. William W. McGinnis's Co. of the 20th Brigade, Texas State Militia. McDonald was elected 2nd Lieutenant. McDonald's second wife was Mrs. Lucinda C. (Throop) Martin. Lucinda was born March 24, 1836 and died May 19, 1876.

Charles patented the C. B. McDonald survey of 160 acres on July 21, 1871. In terms of today's landmarks, the survey sat in present-day Southlake. Today's Carroll Dragons' football stadium property occupies much of the west-central part of the survey.

Charles died January 4, 1895 and was buried at Lonesome Dove near both his wives. He has numerous descendants living in Tarrant County today.

McDonald's children with his first wife included Alphy (Mrs. James L.) McDonald; "Olif" McDonald, Virginia (Mrs. Jesse) Human; Della R. (Mrs. James L.) Foster, Wiley A. McDonald; Charles D. "Dolf," McDonald; and J. B. "Brode" McDonald. With his second wife, he was the father

of Cora Cordelia (Mrs. Charles C.) Moore; Cornelius Columbus McDonald; William W. McDonald, who died from wounds received in the Spanish-American War; and Terrell Baker McDonald.

