



# TARRANT COUNTY TXGENWEB

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## Civil War Veterans of Northeast Tarrant County

### John A. Mugg

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John A. Mugg was a pioneer of the Birdville area and a Confederate veteran who survived only three years after the War. He was born May 7, 1833 in Owen County, Indiana, a son of Simeon Mugg and his wife, Lucinda Killough, both of whom came to Texas and died in Grayson County.

John Mugg appears in the 1850 Howard County, Indiana census with his parents and siblings. They lived in Taylor Township. By 1860, the family had moved to Grayson County, Texas. In that year, John was living with his father and some younger siblings in that county. His mother had apparently died during the 1850's.

John A. Mugg served in the Confederate Army in Co. K, 7<sup>th</sup> Texas Cavalry. He was twenty-seven years old when he enlisted on January 9, 1862 at Mansfield, Texas under Thomas O. Moody. He was mustered in January 27, 1862 at Camp Picket, San Antonio. He brought with him a horse worth \$150 and equipment worth \$25. He was captured on April 13, 1863 near camp in Bisland?, Louisiana. He is also shown as being captured at Bayou Teche, Louisiana. He was paroled on May 11th?, 1863. His file includes an original signed requisition for one small sack, "not to be elsewhere procured," dated by J. A. Mugg on May 21, 1863. The last existing muster roll for January and February 1864 shows him present.

Mugg married Mary Melissa Leonard, a daughter of Archibald Franklin Leonard and his wife, Mary Ann (Foster) Leonard, in Tarrant County on October 9, 1865. Family sources at ancestry.com say they had one child, John Arnold Mugg, born April 24, 1868 in Tarrant County, who died in Oklahoma City on March 19, 1940.

When Mr. Mugg registered to vote in Tarrant County on August 8, 1867, he said he had lived in Texas for twelve years, in Tarrant County for seven years, and in Precinct 1 for five years. Thus, he must have moved to Grayson County Texas about 1855, and on to Tarrant County about 1860.

John A. Mugg died at Birdville on April 26, 1868, two days after the birth of his son, and has a headstone in Birdville cemetery. Mrs. Pearl Foster O'Donnell recorded in her book, *Trek to Texas*, that Mugg was severely wounded while in the service and finally died from the lingering effects of the wounds he received.

