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REMEMBERING GEN. ROBERT E. LEE

On October 12th, 1870, General Robert E. Lee passed from this life to his eternity with God. Even though he was the leading Confederate general during the U.S. Civil War and has been venerated as a heroic figure in the American South, he was also respected and admired from those in the North.

Who was Robert E. Lee?

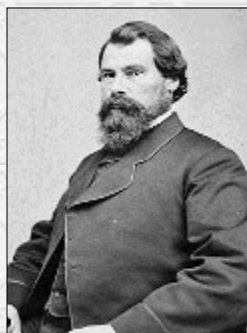
Robert E. Lee came to military prominence during the U.S. Civil War, commanding his home state's armed forces and becoming general-in-chief of the Confederate forces. Lee earned renown as a military tactician for scoring several major victories on the battlefield. After the war, Lee was extremely popular which brought him many lucrative job offers, but he turned them down until becoming president of

Washington College, which was renamed Washington and Lee University after his death in 1870.

Robert Edward Lee was born on January 19, 1807, at his family home of Stratford Hall in northeastern Virginia.

Lee was cut from Virginia aristocracy. His extended family members included a president, a chief justice of the United States and signers of the Declaration of Independence. His father, Colonel Henry Lee, also known as "Light-Horse Harry," had served as a cavalry leader during the Revolutionary War and earned recognition as one of the war's heroes, winning praise from General George Washington.

The book, "Lee, The Last Years", by



John H. Reagan

About 1863
 Oct 8, 1818 – March 6, 1905

Post Master General of the Confederate States of America
 Secretary of the Treasury CSA

U. S. Senator from Texas
 U. S. Rep. from Texas
 District Judge

Texas State Representative
 First Chairman - Railroad Commission of Texas

A Founder and President of the Texas State Historical Association

Charles Bracelen Flood, is an excellent book that tells a lot about this man and why he was loved by people in both the north and south. If you haven't read it, you should pick up a copy. You won't regret it.



CAMP MEETINGS

3rd Tuesday of Each Month
 06:30 PM
 With a meal served at each meeting.
 Commercial Bank of Texas on the corner of N. Mallard & E. Lacy Street
 The Bank is located just south of the Anderson County Courthouse Annex.

Guests are welcome!
 Bring the family.

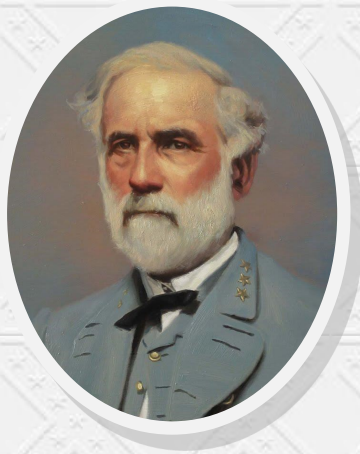
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The John H. Reagan Camp is requesting donations from those who would be willing to contribute financially to help keep the Confederate Heroes Memorial Plaza landscape manicured. If you would be willing to donate, please contact Dan Dyer at danielder497@yahoo.com

General Robert E. Lee passed away on October 12, 1870 at 9:30. His death was not only mourned by the people from Confederate States, but it was also mourned by thousands in the Northern States as well. There are many in our society today that want to say that Robert E. Lee was not respected, but that is not true at all. When people read the true history about Robert E. Lee, they see that he was a man who was respected by those from the north and the south. He was a Godly man who earned the respect of all.



- Prayer List**
- Compatriot Forrest Bradberry
 - Compatriot J.B. Mason
 - Past Reagan Camp Historian Gary Williams
 - Rod Skelton (former Camp Chaplain)
 - Former Camp Commander Rudy Ray
 - United Daughters of the Confederacy
 - The Sovereign State of Texas
 - The United States of America

- Officers for 2021**
- Commander - Richard Thornton
1st Lt. - Calvin Nicholson
Adjutant/Treasurer - Dan Dyer
Sgt at Arms - Frank Moore
Quartermaster - Andrew Petty
Chaplains - David Franklin & Dwight Franklin

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

The Reagan Camp will have monthly meetings on the 3rd Tuesday of each month in the Commercial Bank of Texas meeting room

Tuesday November 16 - November meeting

December 21 - Christmas Party

January 18, 2022 - January meeting

February 15, 2022 - February meeting

This flag flies in honor and memory of over 1,000 Confederate veterans from Anderson County who marched off to war, one third of whom never returned, and the over 500 Confederate veterans from all across the South who are buried in this county. They fought for liberty and independence from a tyrannical and oppressive government.

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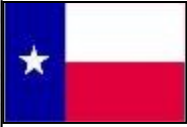
Above: Reagan Camp's battle flag and sign displayed proudly at intersection of FM 315 and Anderson Cty Rd 448, ten miles north of Palestine.

“NOTHING FILLS ME WITH DEEPER SADNESS THAN TO SEE A SOUTHERN MAN APOLOGIZING FOR THE DEFENSE WE MADE OF OUR INHERITANCE. OUR CAUSE WAS SO JUST, SO SACRED, THAT HAD I KNOWN ALL THAT HAS COME TO PASS, HAD I KNOWN WHAT WAS TO BE INFLICTED UPON ME, ALL THAT MY COUNTRY WAS TO SUFFER, ALL THAT OUR POSTERITY WAS TO ENDURE, I WOULD DO IT ALL OVER AGAIN.”

-PRESIDENT JEFFERSON DAVIS-

“DUTY IS THE MOST SUBLIME WORD IN OUR LANGUAGE. DO YOUR DUTY IN ALL THINGS. YOU CANNOT DO MORE. YOU SHOULD NEVER WISH TO DO LESS.”

-GENERAL ROBERT E. LEE-



JOHN H. REAGAN CAMP #2156

OCTOBER MEETING PICTURES



The October meeting was held on October 19th in the Commercial Bank of Texas Banquet room. We had eleven present at this month's meeting. The night started off with a meal of fried chicken tenders, pinto beans with ham and cornbread. We had Blue Bell Ice Cream for dessert.



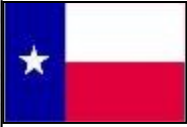
It sure is nice to be able to get together again with the men and enjoy a meal together. We appreciate David Franklin, Doug Smith, and Dwight Franklin for bringing the food for the meeting.



It was good to have Ed Heitman with us again. Ed has turned in his paperwork to become a member of the Sons of Confederate Veterans, and we are happy to welcome him to the John H. Reagan Camp.



Following the meal together, 1st Lt. Calvin Nicholson presented the camp with a Recruitment Speech that Dr. Henry Hunter gave to men that he was recruiting back in 1861. Dr. Hunter was in medical school when the war broke out, but he came back to recruit men for the Palestine Beats, which was later known as Company G and Company H.



OCTOBER HISTORICAL PROGRAM

DR HENRY HUNTER RECRUITMENT LETTER



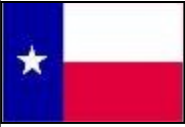
Below is the first page of the original recruitment speech. This original has been typed up for easy reading on the following pages.

The time for speaking has long since passed & the time for action is at hand. The conflict has already begun, war is forced upon us. Southern blood has been spilt & that too upon southern soil by an invading foe. Let us then anticipate the worst & prepare for it. Our Gov. seeing & understanding the almost defenceless condition of our country has ordered the organization of the State Militia.

~~It is the duty of every citizen to support the government in this hour of crisis.~~

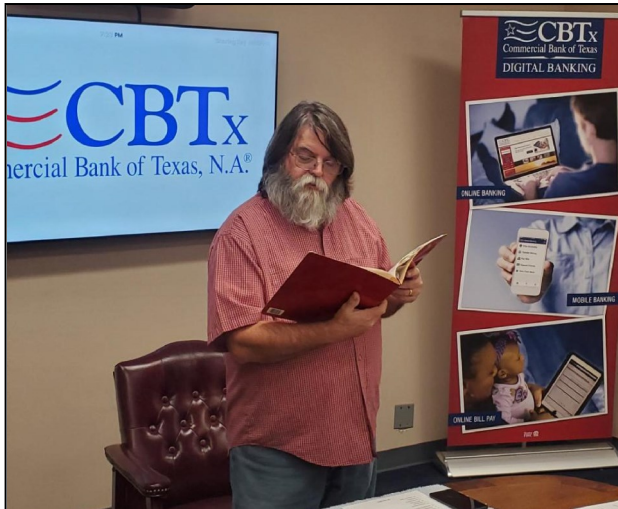
The necessity of this organization is apparent to every one, when he remembers that on the 4th day of March 1861 "Abraham Lincoln" the first Abolition President of the U.S. was inaugurated at Washington, adhering to a platform of principals intended to sap the very foundation of Southern institutions, & destroy liberty. This is evident when we remember the treatment of our Commissioners ^{sent to Washington}—Our rights were preemptory refused us. And our only alternative was secession & the formation of a new government with the constitution of our fathers as its basis.

South Carolina was first to announce herself independent of abolition rule. Georgia Alabama Mississippi, Florida & Louisiana by the action of their several conventions withdrew from the Union & were quickly followed by Texas. At this the sentiment of the Lincoln government grew more defiant & the portentous cloud which had only loomed in the distance now swiftly mounted the horizon & overshadowed the land. The hideous threats of coercion only evoked defiant shouts from the South.



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“RECRUITMENT LETTER” BY CALVIN NICHOLSON



1st Lt. Calvin Nicholson presented the Reagan Camp with a program that was very interesting. Calvin was able to obtain an original copy of a recruitment letter from Dr. Henry Hunter a while back, and he read the letter to those present. He has allowed us to print the letter in this newsletter for those who were unable to attend the meeting. It is on the following pages.

“Recruitment Letter”

The time for speaking has long since passed, the time for action is at hand. The conflict has already begun, war is forced upon us. Southern blood has been spilt (sic) and that too upon southern soil by an invading force. Let us then

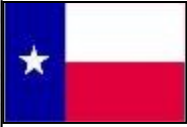
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South Carolina was the first to announce herself independent of abolition rule. Georgia, Alabama, Mississippi, Florida and Louisiana by the actions of their several conventions withdrew from the Union and were quickly followed by Texas. At this the sentiment of the Lincoln government grew more defiant, the portentous cloud which had only hovered in the distance now swiftly mounted the horizon and overshadowed the land. The hideous threats of coercion (sic) only invoked defiant shouts from the South. The project of coercion (sic) was first inaugurated by the attempt to reinforce all the forts in the seceding states. Whereupon the sovereign people of the several states in which were these forts immediately seized upon all that were attainable without bloodshed. This fired the abolition despot- - disregarding, yea abolishing the Law- - trampling under foot the Constitution of our fathers and abrogating the powers of Congress he inaugurates a war of subjugation or extermination against the Confederate States of America.

Why is this? We asked our rights as guaranteed by the Constitution, we asked them as law loving and law abiding citizens and were refused. What alternative was there left us, save the instinctive act of self-preservation, thence were the several forty taken that are now in our possession. Finally the Lincoln administration opened the war by declaring that they would invade the territory of the South. He issued his proclamation and called upon Southern states to furnish men to lay waste and destroy their kindred states. The storm of indignation to which it gave rise swept Virginia, Arkansas, North Carolina and Tennessee out of the Federal Union into the welcoming embraces of the Southern Confederacy and quenched forever the expiring embers of Unionism in the Gulf States.

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DR HENRY HUNTER RECRUITMENT LETTER



And now the only unionist we have in the South are those who are united in hand and heart to resist the Goths and Vandals of the north in their insane attempt to subjugate the people of the South.

The telegraph still brings news of the war. The struggle in reality has begun. The abolition despot increases his mob and invites them to the struggle with the promise of "Booty and Beauty".

The time was when all we ask was forbearance on the part of no slaveholding states as our equal in the Union. We simply asked, "let us and our institutions alone", but that time passed when South Carolina cast her hammer to the breeze and all the southern states (with a few excepted), wheeled into line with the young sovereignty. In convention they spoke one voice but in tones which removed the incredulity of those who supposed we were not in earnest. In the bold, manly and truthful manifestos of these states I see the absolute resolve that, "sink or swim", "survive or perish", we give our little bark of independence to the wind and waves, biding defiance to despotism.

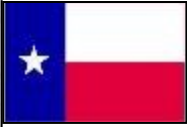
Northern Hosannas to the union afford no remedy, they only awaken the recollection of what that union was in better days of our early glory -

"When none were for a party
 When all were for the state
 The lands were fairly portioned
 The shafts were fairly sold
 Before we warmed in faction
 Or in virtue had grown cold."

That union once our idol is now sought to be used as a sword to assault us. The recital of Washington's Farewell Address will give no relief from the pressure of wrongs inflicted and rights withheld. He was in life our own and Washington, a slaveholder and friend to our institutions, "dwelt among his people and died surrounded by his domestics." His memory is too dear to the South for her to bring upon it reproach; his example proclaimed to the world that wrong and oppression are not the less galling because enforced by authority. He once owed allegiance to his King, held a commission in his name and fought battles to extend his empire. When that King wronged his section of the royal dominion he led victorious armies against and dissolved the union between the crown and the colonies. Resistance to wrong has not sent him to posterity as a traitor but as a patriot and a statesman. We deeply resent the abuse of his great name to sanction or justify wanton usurpation. The perversion of his sentiments to give respectability to such a policy is the deepest conspiracy against his fame and glory. To this the South will never submit - never!, she can protect herself having all the elements of prosperity, eight millions of people like ours have nothing to hear. No power on earth can conquer us. Climate, soil and position make us independent, for as a people not under Heaven have more to expect or less to fear.

At one time in the history of the Republic the Gauls pushed their conquest to the gates of Rome. Time after time they were bought off by the public treasures. Those bribes expended, induced a return to renew their demand.

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On the last occasion the impoverished commonwealth again confronted for their deliverance, frequent extractions however had brought them to exhausted treasury. To obtain safety they surrendered even religious scruples to preserve the city from the horrors of being sacked and plundered and their houses and their families from the brutality of barbarous soldiers- - the treasures of the temple were brought forth by the priest. The sacred scales told the balance exact and the demand of the fierce Gaul was justly hard, but arrogant in his power he threw in his sword and demanded that gold should be heaped up and the balance restored.

The last outrage roused the young husbandman, Camellus, who drawing his sword declared that in better times the Romans redeemed their country with steel and not gold. He rallied his countrymen and expelled the invader.

Let the vile despot Lincoln learn the moral. Let the non-slaveholding states learn the moral.

Does anyone desire to know the result of this struggle? Let him read once more the history of the American Revolution. We believe in the existence of an all-wise and overruling Providence and rest assured that He will "Shape our end, rough hew them how we will". Content to rely upon Him, we enter into this second war of political rights, with no other thought than the achievement of our independence. We have no desire to lay waste to Northern fields, we do not wish to shell their cities and heap in one common grave weak womanhood, helpless old age and unoffending babes. Thank God the barbarity of the South does not equal the ferocity of the vaunted civilization of the Northern State. To show you what manner of creature the army of Lincoln is composed, I will read you an extract from the N(ew) Orleans Delta, part of a letter to that paper.

(What ever he read has been lost)

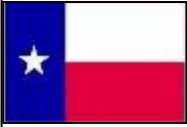
Are you Southerners? Are you Texians? Have you one drop of the blood in your veins that coursed the veins of your fathers? Do you love your home and fireside? Do you love your wife and children? Do you love liberty? Than to arms and drive back the ruthless invaders who now pollute your soil with their unhallowed feet and save from destruction your field and your homes. Save your wives and daughters from the contamination of their touch!

Strike! Till the last armed foe expires,

Strike! For your alters and your fires,

Strike! For the green graves of your sires-God and your native land, and we shall conquer so sure as the morning sun shall reach the zenith of his glory!

Give your hammer to the breeze-inscribe on its side the motto of the Old Dominion, "Sic Simper Tyranus" and on the other "Liberty or Death". Unsheathe your sword, fling the scabbard away and like men march on to the contest and victory is ours!

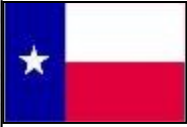


DYERSBURG, TENNESSEE CONFEDERATE MONUMENT



The monument above is located on the Courthouse Square in Dyersburg, Tennessee. Dyersburg is the county seat for Dyers County. This monument honors the brave Confederate soldiers of Dyers County who fought for the Confederacy during the war of Northern Aggression. Above the word “Confederate”, the front of the monument states,

“To the memory of the faithful Confederate Soldiers of Dyers County, number of battles fought by them”.

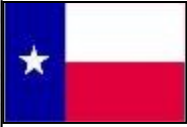


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The Confederate Monument at the Dyers County, Tennessee Courthouse pays tribute to the Confederate Soldiers from Dyers County who were willing to serve the Confederacy against the invading Union troops. The pictures on this page show a close-up of what is embossed on the monument.





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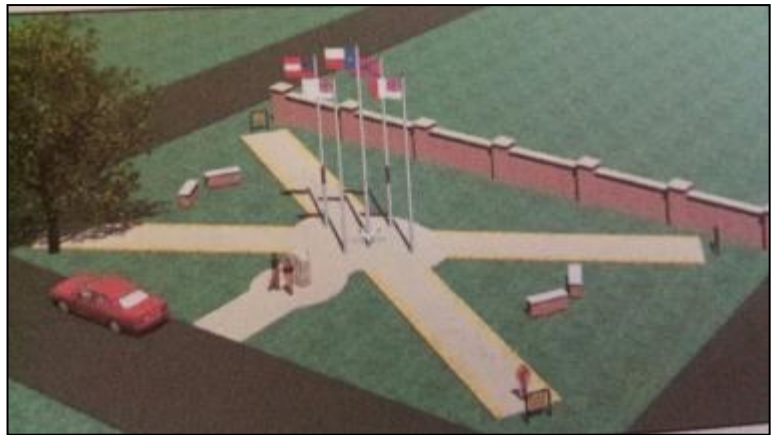




A GREAT WAY TO ENSURE THAT YOUR ANCESTOR'S SERVICE AND HONOR IS NOT FORGOTTEN



Many Americans have forgotten that freedom isn't free at all. There have been hundreds of thousands of Americans who have willingly given their life for their country so that we could continue to have the rights of free men. But there is a group of people in our country who have decided that they have the right to take away the rights of others, especially if those others do not agree with their agenda. These people have no respect for the true history of anything that goes against what they want. Although they cannot change true history, they are changing the history books and in so doing are changing what people are taught about the history of our country. These people don't care if they are dishonoring our Confederate ancestors. They care nothing about our ancestor's service. Do you care about preserving your ancestor's service? If so, you can do so by having his service noted in the Confederate Veteran's Memorial Plaza with a paver that will include his name and service information on it for only \$50. It will last for years and years to come and will let countless people see his name and information. It is a wonderful way to give him the recognition that he deserves.



WILLIAM C FRANKLIN CO D 12 BTTN ARK SHARP SHOOTERS	JOHN DANIEL LILES PVT DIED 4 / 25 / 1865 POW	WILLIAM J. CHAFFIN CO H 5 TEX CAV CSA 1829 - 1908	JOHN H. REAGAN SCV CAMP #2156 PALESTINE, TEXAS	PVT WM. H. FOSTER CO. H 1ST TEX INF DIED AS POW OCT 63
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Above are some pictures of some of the pavers in the plaza. If you would like to purchase a paver for your ancestor, you can pick what you want to have inscribed on it. These pictures will give you some ideas to what you might want on your paver.

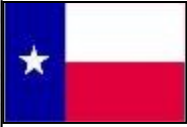


ROBERT E. LEE CALENDAR



OCTOBER 2021

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1 undated - to his wife: I am opposed to officers surrounding themselves with their sons & relatives.	2 Oct 1865 - at Washington college I shall devote my remaining energies to training young men to do their duty in life.
3 Oct, 1865 - to Gen Beauregard: The South requires the aid of her sons now more than at any period of her history.	4 Undated - to Gen Beauregard Every one should do all in his power to collect & disseminate the truth in the hope that it may find a place in history & descend to posterity.	5 Undated - War is a terrible alternative & should be the very, very last resort.	6 Oct, 1865 - to R.H. Chilton I have entered upon the duties of my new office, in the hope of being of some service; but I should prefer to be on a small farm.	7 Oct, 1865 - to wife: I am sorry the armies cannot keep with the expectations of the editors of papers. I know they can regulate matters satisfactorily on paper. I wish they could do so in the field.	8 Oct, 1852 - to Markie: carry a brave as well as true heart for every occasion of life.	9 Oct, 1865 - Life is gliding away & I have nothing good to show for mine that is past. I pray I may be spared to accomplish something for the benefit of mankind & the honour of God.
10 undated If I could only have my children around me, I could be happy	11 undated - Charity should have no beginning or ending.	12 Oct, 1870 - Lee died at 9:30 Strike the tent!	13 Oct, 1870 - from Mrs. Lee: I have never so truly felt the purity of his character as now, when I have nothing left but his memory.	14 undated - to Anna Fitzhugh: A man may manifest & communicate his joy, but he should conceal & smother his grief as much as possible.	15 Undated - My only pleasure is in my solitary evening rides, which give me abundant opportunity for quiet though.	16 Oct, 1837 - to wife: I pray God to watch over & direct our efforts in guarding our dear son, that we may bring him up 'in the way he should go.'
17 Undated - Human virtue should be equal to human calamity	18 Undated - no honest man can take long to deliberate which side he will choose.	19 Undated - to Rooney: We must unite in doing our duty & earnestly work to extract what good we can out of the evil that now hangs over our dear land.	20 Undated - to wife: Our little boy seems to have the reputation of being hard to manage, a distinction not at all desirable, as it indicates self-will & obstinacy.	21 Undated - to Robert: You could raise money on your farm only by mortgaging it, which would put you in debt at the beginning of life, & I fear in the end would swallow up your property.	22 Oct, 1837 - to Jack Mackay: Life is too short for them [his children] & their mother to be in one place, & I in another.	23 Undated - to Gen Beauregard: I fear the South has yet to suffer many evils, & it will require time, patience, & fortitude to heal her affliction.
24 Undated - to Robert: I am clear for your marrying, if you select a good wife; otherwise you had better remain as you are.	25 Oct, 1864 - to Wife: I am glad you had the opportunity of partaking of the blessed communion. May it serve to keep our Redeemer in our hearts & minds.	26 Oct, 1862 - to wife: I cannot express the anguish I feel at the death of our sweet Annie. To know that I shall never see her again on earth is agonizing in the extreme.	27 Undated - to Gen. Longstreet: I am of the opinion that all should vote for the most intelligent, honest, & conscientious men eligible to office, irrespective of former party opinions.	28 Oct, 1863 - to wife: I am glad you have some socks for the army. Tell the girls to send all they can. We have thousands of barefooted men.	29 Oct, 1865 - to Mildred: Traveller is my only companion; I may also say my pleasure. He & I, whenever practicable, wander out in the mountains.	30 Oct, 1865 - to Robert: If I find I can accomplish no good for her [Washington College], I will endeavor to pursue the course to which my inclinations point [farming].
31 Undated - to Robert: We must not, however, yield to difficulties, but strive the harder to overcome them.						



TEXAS CIVIL WAR HISTORY IN OCTOBER

From the Texas State Historical Association



October 4 - On this day in 1862, on the second day of the battle of Corinth, Mississippi, Confederate General Earl Van Dorn called for a series of headlong frontal attacks against a heavily fortified federal position. Col. William Peleg Rogers of the Second Texas Infantry was ordered to lead the vanguard of the assault on Battery Robinett, a small fort anchoring the center of the Union line. After one bloody repulse, Rogers led a second desperate charge. Remaining on horseback in the face of a barrage of cannon and musket fire, and finally carrying the regimental colors himself, Rogers reached the deep trench fronting Battery Robinett, dismounted, and led several hundred Texans and Alabamans down into the trench, up the steep embankment, and into the fort. Suddenly federal reinforcements closed in from both flanks. Rogers shouted, "Men, save yourselves or sell your lives as dearly as possible." A few seconds later he was struck by multiple rifle shots and died instantly. Scores of others fell with him, and the battle soon ended. The Second Texas Infantry had lost more than half its numbers in casualties. The failure of Rogers's attack sealed Van Dorn's defeat at Corinth. In a remarkable tribute to Rogers's personal bravery, Union general William S. Rosecrans ordered his burial attended with full military honors, a ceremony normally reserved only for Confederate general officers.

Oct 8 - John H. Reagan's Birthday. (He was born in 1818 & passed away March 6, 1905).

Oct 12 - On this day in 1870, Robert E. Lee passed away.

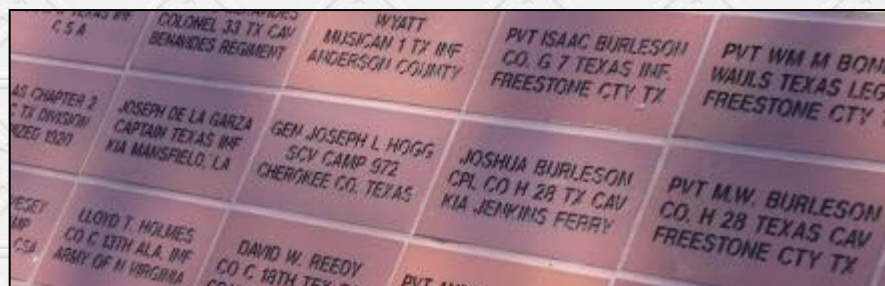
October 23 - On this day in 1863, the First Texas Cavalry, USA, left New Orleans for South Texas as part of the Union effort to interdict the lucrative trade between Confederate Texas and Mexico. The First was one of two regiments of Unionist cavalry from Texas to serve in the Civil War; the Second was formed in Brownsville after the Rio Grande campaign got underway. Loyalty to the Union was anything but a major consensus in Texas during the Civil War. A total of 1,915 Texas men served the Union cause, in contrast to the many thousands who served the Confederacy. Brownsville was a center of Unionist sentiment. Significant numbers of civilians who supported the North fled to the lower Rio Grande, where a provisional state government was set up under Andrew J. Hamilton, and where Edmund J. Davis and others recruited cavalrymen for the North. Davis had formed the First Texas Cavalry, USA, in New Orleans in 1862. In November 1864 the regiment was merged with the Second into the First Texas Volunteer Cavalry. This new twelve-company regiment engaged in patrolling and reconnaissance duties until the end of the war, and was mustered out of service on November 4, 1865.



CONFEDERATE VETERANS MEMORIAL PLAZA INFORMATION



The Confederate Veterans Memorial Plaza had the official opening and dedication on April 13, 2013. It is a beautiful Memorial to the Confederate Veterans. Although it is open for visitors, there is still room along the sidewalks for you to purchase a brick paver in the name of your confederate ancestor. This will ensure that your ancestor's service to the confederacy will not be forgotten, but will be remembered for years to come. If you would like to make a donation for a paver, please contact Dan Dyer at E-mail: danielyer497@yahoo.com or Phone: (903) 391-2224



Would you like to honor you ancestor? There is still room in the plaza for you to have a paver with your ancestor's name and military information. You can also acquire a paver in the name of your SCV Camp.



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The citizen-soldiers who fought for the Confederacy personified the best qualities of America. The preservation of liberty and freedom was the motivating factor in the South's decision to fight the *Second American Revolution*. The tenacity with which Confederate soldiers fought underscored their belief in the rights guaranteed by the Constitution. These attributes are the underpinning of our democratic society and represent the foundation on which this nation was built.

Today, the **Sons of Confederate Veterans** is preserving the history and legacy of these heroes, so future generations can understand the motives that animated the Southern Cause.

The SCV is the direct heir of the United Confederate Veterans, and the oldest hereditary organization for male descendants of Confederate soldiers. Organized at Richmond, Virginia in 1896, the SCV continues to serve as a historical, patriotic, and non-political organization dedicated to ensuring that a true history of the 1861-1865 period is preserved.

Membership in the **Sons of Confederate Veterans** is open to all male descendants of any veteran who served honorably in the Confederate armed forces. Membership can be obtained through either **lineal or collateral** family lines and kinship to a veteran must be **documented genealogically**. The minimum age for full membership is 12, but there is no minimum for Cadet membership. **Friends of the SCV** memberships are available as well to those who are committed to upholding our charge, but do not have the Confederate ancestry.

THE CHARGE TO THE SONS OF CONFEDERATE VETERANS

"To you, Sons of Confederate Veterans, we will commit the vindication of the cause for which we fought. To your strength will be given the defense of the Confederate soldier's good name, the guardianship of his history, the emulation of his virtues, the perpetuation of those principles which he loved and which you love also, and those ideals which made him glorious and which you also cherish."

Lt. General Stephen Dill Lee, Commander-in-Chief

United Confederate Veterans

New Orleans, Louisiana, April 25, 1906.



Camp meetings: 3rd Tuesday Each
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