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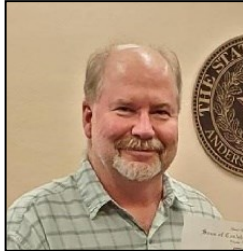
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COMMANDER HEITMAN'S DISPATCH



Fellow Gentlemen of the South,

“The more things change .. the more they remain the same ..”

All of us with a few score of years behind them [well north of three-score for me] .. have heard and witnessed this principal truth many times over.

Recently, I was watching an old *Face The Nation* episode on YouTube [21st-July-1968] .. a website destination filled with an almost infinite number of “rabbit-holes” to follow. On this particular Sunday episode of *Face The Nation*, Alabama Governor George Wallace was debating/defending himself against three east-coast journalists regarding his political positions as the 3rd Party Candidate of the 1968 Presidential race. Dealing with Three-to-One odds is nothing new to Southerners. The panel of journalists rarely allowed the Governor to finish his answer to a direct question, before landing another question in his lap.

Certainly, there are matters to disagree with regarding what Governor Wallace advocated in his earlier political career, but while watching this twenty-eight minute interrogation, I could not help thinking that things really have not changed in the last 50 years, and indeed “things” have remained the same since the

summer of 1968. Governor Wallace sounded like he was speaking about current events.

Southern heritage, southern values and the rights of Southerners to defend themselves have been ridiculed in 1968 .. 1868 .. just as it is right now in 2024.

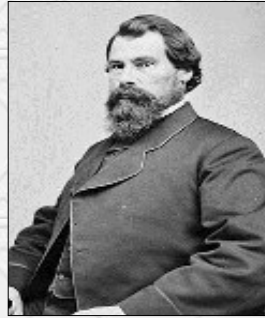
On to regulatory matters ...

This month's meeting [May] was cancelled due to the storm damages in and around Palestine, which resulted in the city being without electrical power for over a day.

We hope to meet again in June, weather permitting.

Marc Robinson will provide the Historical Presentation on the “Confederados”. I will be anxious to learn what eventually happened to Rock Hudson – not literally - [portraying Colonel James Langdon], Lee Meriwether [Margaret in the movie – and Cat Woman in 1966], along with their wagon-train of unreconstructed Confederates, and if they ever made it to Brazil .. with Roman Gabriel [Indian Warrior – Blue Boy] as their guide – *The Undefeated, 1969*.

Could a movie like *The Undefeated* be produced today .. without portraying the proud but humble Confederates as treasonous demons ..? Any attempt at a storyline-plot that had a modest relationship with general historical fact, would produce a litany of America's ‘best’ .. rioting in the theater foyer.



John H. Reagan

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

“Governor Wallace, you once stated that ‘the people of this country know how to stop a riot by hitting someone on the head’ ..?”

“Yes, sir. I have said something similar to that. When someone goes out and begins to loot and burn a building down, which endangers the health and safety of everybody .. THAT'S A GOOD WAY TO STOP IT [emphasis added]. If a policeman knocked somebody in the head who was throwing a fire-bomb .. I think he'd be gett'n-off mighty light ..”

“Wallace in ‘68” bumper stickers will be available for purchase at our June meeting.

Hope to see you there,

Ed Heitman - Commander

CAMP MEETINGS

—4th 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 Richard Thornton at 903-731-1557 or email tx_tsar@hotmail.com.**



THE BATTLE OF CHANCELLORSVILLE WAS FOUGHT FROM APRIL 30 THRU MAY 6, 1863. SEE FOLLOWING PAGES FOR MORE ABOUT THIS CONFEDERATE VICTORY.

Prayer List

- Compatriot Forrest Bradberry
- Compatriot Gary Gibson & his wife, Lynn
- Compatriot J.B. Mason
- Compatriot Doug Smith (complications from several hip surgeries)
- Past Reagan Camp Historian Gary Williams
- Former Camp Commander Rudy Ray
- United Daughters of the Confederacy
- The Sovereign State of Texas

Officers for 2024

- Commander - Ed Heitman
- 1st Lt. - David Franklin
- Adjutant/Treasurer - Richard Thornton
- Sgt at Arms - Marc Robinson
- Judge Advocate - Martin Lawrence
- Chaplain - Dwight Franklin

CALENDAR OF EVENTS


The Reagan Camp will have monthly meetings on the 4th Tuesday of each month in the Commercial Bank of Texas meeting room

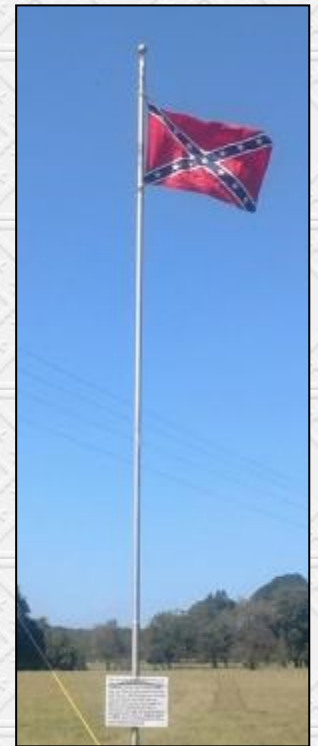
June 25, 2024 - Camp Meeting 6:30 pm

July 23, 2024 - Camp Meeting 6:30 pm

August 27, 2024 - Camp Meeting 6:30 pm

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.

Provided by the John H. Reagan Camp #2156, Sons of Confederate Veterans. www.reaganscvcamp.org 



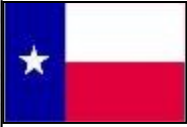
Above: Reagan Camp's battle flag and sign displayed proudly at intersection of FM 315 and Anderson Cty Rd 448, ten miles north of Palestine.

“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-



THE BATTLE OF CHANCELLORSVILLE

APRIL 30-MAY 6, 1863



THE BATTLE OF CHANCELLORSVILLE BEGINS

Before the Battle of Chancellorsville, the Union Army had undergone a shakeup in command. General Ambrose Burnside, having lost the disastrous Battle of Fredericksburg the previous December, had been replaced by General Joseph Hooker. Hooker had spent the spring training his men to prepare for another face-off with Confederate troops. This time, he hoped to win. His goal was nothing less than the capture of the Confederate capital of Richmond, Virginia.

The numbers going into the Battle of Chancellorsville were on Hooker's side: He commanded about 115,000 men, while Lee's troops numbered just 60,000, perhaps the biggest Union advantage in the Civil War. Two divisions of the Confederate Army were absent, serving in Southern Virginia under General James Longstreet.

On April 27, 1863, after putting two-thirds of his forces in front of Fredericksburg to feign a frontal assault, Hooker led the other third of his Army of the Potomac across the Rappahannock River. He hoped to come up behind Confederate trenches near Fredericksburg and catch the enemy by surprise.

LEE'S OFFENSIVE AT THE BATTLE OF CHANCELLORSVILLE

Hooker's gambit was outdone by General Robert E. Lee's quick thinking. Lee, too, divided his force, retaining 10,000 troops led by Jubal Early to hold Fredericksburg before marching the rest of his army West to meet Hooker head-on.

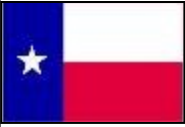
The two armies clashed in an open field just beyond the Wilderness, a forest west of Chancellorsville, on May 1, 1863. Despite his superior numbers, Hooker had his men fall back to defensive positions, opening the door for Lee to hatch the most brilliant offensive plan of his career.

Lee split his army again, sending his right-hand man Thomas J. "Stonewall" Jackson to attack the Union's right flank, where they clashed with the Union XI Corps under Major General Oliver Otis Howard, caving in the Union line.

STONEWALL JACKSON DIES IN THE BATTLE OF CHANCELLORSVILLE

Lee and Jackson's most celebrated victory also led to Jackson's death. On May 2, Jackson marched his 28,000 troops nearly 15 miles to attack Hooker's exposed flank, inflicting massive Union casualties. Half of Hooker's forces were destroyed.

But Jackson's victory would be his last. As the sun set, Jackson led his men to scout ahead in the forest. A North Carolina regiment opened fire, mistaking them for enemy cavalry. A bullet struck Jackson, shattering the bone above his left shoulder. General J. E. B. Stuart took over his command as doctors amputated Jackson's left arm. While he was in a field hospital, Lee wrote to Jackson, "Could I have directed events, I would have chosen for the good of the country to be disabled in your stead."



THE BATTLE OF CHANCELLORSVILLE

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Battle of Chancellorsville, by Kurz and Allison, 1889 (Apocryphal painting depicts the wounding of Confederate Lt. Gen. Stonewall Jackson on May 2, 1863)

Jackson died from pneumonia on May 10, 1863. He was 39 years old. The South mourned their war hero, who was buried in Lexington, Virginia.

*Did you know? Author Stephen Crane's 1895 novel, *The Red Badge of Courage*, is based on the Battle of Chancellorsville.*

CONFEDERATE VICTORY IN THE BATTLE OF CHANCELLORSVILLE

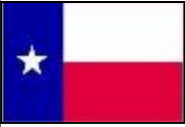
On May 3, 1863, a still-reeling Hooker found himself fending off attacks from General Lee himself.

Lee again outwitted him, moving on the rear of the 27,000 troops Hooker had left behind.

Between May 5 and May 6, Hooker and his rain-soaked troops re-crossed the Rappahannock to beat a hasty retreat to Washington, D.C. He had lost 17,278 casualties to Lee's 12,826.

Lee, now in a position of power even though he'd lost Jackson, would soon head north, where he'd again face off with Union troops in the Battle of Gettysburg.

President Abraham Lincoln, hearing of Hooker's retreat, exclaimed, "My God! My God! What will the country say?"



“LEE TO THE REAR!”



Inscription.

The General's countenance showed that he had despaired and was ready to die rather than see the defeat of his army.

Isaac G. Bradwell, 3rd Georgia Infantry.

In these fields on the morning of May 12, 1864, Gen. Robert E. Lee faced a crisis so severe that he felt compelled to lead his troops personally into battle. It was the third such crisis in a week - a sure sign of the Confederate army's dwindling power.

Soon after dawn a courier dashed up to Confederate Gen. John Gordon at the Harrison house with an urgent message: A Union attack had shattered the Confederate line at the Muleshoe Salient, about a half-mile to your left. As Gordon's Georgians prepared to counterattack, Gen. Robert E. Lee took his place among them, intent on leading them into battle.

The soldiers would not permit it. "Lee to the rear! Lee to the rear!" they shouted. Two soldiers stepped forward, grabbed the bridle of Lee's horse and led him to safety. Gordon's men then plunged into battle. Within minutes they had recaptured the eastern face of the Salient - the prelude to a day of horrific fighting.

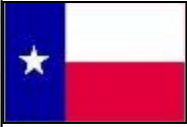
Erected by National Park Service, U.S. Department of the Interior.

Topics. This historical marker is listed in this topic list: War, US Civil A significant historical date for this entry is May 12, 1746.

Location. 38° 13.047' N, 77° 36.195' W. Marker is near Spotsylvania Courthouse, Virginia, in Spotsylvania County. Marker is at the intersection of Gordon Drive and Anderson Drive, on the right when traveling east on Gordon Drive. Located at tour stop four (The Harrison House) on the driving tour of Spotsylvania Battlefield unit of the Fredericksburg and Spotsylvania National Military Park. Marker is in this post office area: Spotsylvania VA 22553, United States of America.

Other nearby markers. At least 8 other markers are within walking distance of this marker. The Harrison House (here, next to this marker); Harrison House Site (about 600 feet away, measured in a direct line); Lee's Last Line (approx. 0.2 miles away); Ramseur's Brigade (approx. ¼ mile away); Upton's Assault (approx. ¼ mile away); Confederate Counterattack (approx. ¼ mile away); Mayhem in the Muleshoe (approx. ¼ mile away); The McCoull House (approx. ¼ mile away).

More about this marker. The background of the marker is a painting depicting the Georgians shouting "Lee to the Rear!"

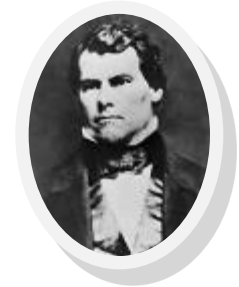


JOHN H. REAGAN CAMP

MAY IN THE LIFE OF JOHN H. REAGAN



May 29, 1839 John H. Reagan arrived in Texas at age 20.



May 2, 1849 John H. Reagan wrote letter to Rusk Pioneer complaining of misapportionment of State Representatives.

May 17, 1849 John H. Reagan announced candidacy for State Senate; only defeat of career.

May 13, 1857 John H. Reagan nominated for Congress by Eastern District Dem. Convention in Tyler.



May 2, 1859 John H. Reagan nominated for 2nd term as US Representative at Henderson Co. Convention

May 13, 1861 John H. Reagan issued proclamation to assume control of Southern mail delivery for CSA.



May 10, 1865 John H. Reagan captured with Jefferson Davis and imprisoned in Ft. Warren, Boston Harbor.

May 31, 1866 John H. Reagan married Mollie Ford Taylor.

May 19, 1876 John H. Reagan delivered speech in US Congress to deter abandonment of Navy Yard Pensacola, Fla.



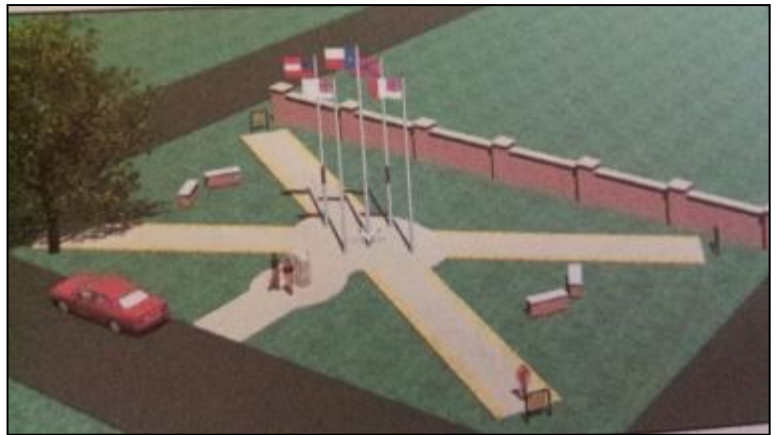
May 8, 1878 John H. Reagan delivered speech in US Congress on his Interstate Commerce Bill.



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 BTNN 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
JASPER N. CARNES CO B 8 REGIMENT TEXAS INFANTRY	RICHARD A. HODGES CO K 22 TX INF CSA 1833 - 1905	ANDREW J BEAUCHAMP CO F 13 TEX INF 12-9-1834 9-1-1894	GEORGE KNOX GIBSON PVT. CO. B 12TH TEXAS CAVLRY, CSA	WILLIAM H. CRIST COMPANY I 7 TX CAV C.S.A.
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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.

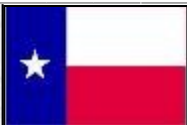


ROBERT E. LEE CALENDAR

MAY 2024



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 undated— [children] should also be taught to know that after having been reared & educated by their parents, they should not expect them to further provide for them.	2 May 2, 1865— To Markie: I trust in time to be able to procure a humble home somewhere.	3 undated—If habits of self control & self denial have been acquired during education the great object has been accomplished.	4 May 4, 1851— Be strictly honorable in every act, & be not ashamed to do right. Acknowledge right to be your aim & strive to reach it.
5 undated— to Custis Hold yourself above every mean action	6 undated— Diligence & integrity in any useful pursuit of life will be sure to secure prosperity.	7 undated— In answer to the prayers of God’s people. I trust He will soon give us peace. I haven’t seen my wife for nearly a year—my home in nearly two years.	8 undated to Custis Daily exercise of all your energies, acquiring knowledge, & knowing to do your duty, will bring you a delight surpassing all that idleness & selfishness can give	9 undated— The choice of a profession is not of so much consequence as the manner in which it is pursued.	10 May 10, 1863—To Gen Jackson: Tell him to make haste & get well & come back to me as soon as he can. He has lost his left arm, but I have lost my right arm.	11 Undated—to son No one will attend to your business as well as you will yourself.
14 undated— We must never relax in our efforts to save our people or save our Country.	15 May 15, 1864 to General Hill: When a man makes a mistake, I call him to my tent, talk to him, & use the authority of my position to make him do the right thing the next time.	14 undated— We must never relax in our efforts to save our people or save our Country.	15 May 15, 1864 to General Hill: When a man makes a mistake, I call him to my tent, talk to him, & use the authority of my position to make him do the right thing the next time.	16 May 16, 1864 to Gen. Hill: These men are not an army... I have to make the best of what I have.	17 May 17, 1867—The greater difficulties in our lives the harder must we strive for success.	18 May 18, 1857—to wife: If they [daughters] can lead the life of pure & earnest Christians they will realize the only true happiness in this world.
19 undated to Custis The necessity I daily have for money has I fear made me parsimonious.	20 May 20, 1863 to Jeff Davis: I wish to take advantage of every circumstance to inspire & encourage, & induce the officers & men to believe that their labours are appreciated.	21 May 21, 1863 to Gen. Hood: There never were such men in any army before. They will go anywhere and do anything.	22 undated— I know the difficulty of farmers. Their success & in a measure their pleasure, depend upon their daily attention to their affairs.	23 May 23, 1863 to wife: I hope the doctor’s prescriptions under the blessing of Heaven relieve your painful affliction for I can do nothing but offer my feeble prayers to God for your relief.	24 undated to wife: Kiss my daughters for me, & you must all remember me in your prayers	25 May 25, 1863 to Agnes: Good-bye my precious child. Kiss your mother for me & take good care of her.
26 May 26, 1863 to Robert: I wish I could be of some advantage to you, but I can only give you my love & prayers, & commit you to God who never forgets those who serve Him.	27 undated—To Custis: so long as I meet with such return from my children, & see them strive to respond to my wishes I can meet with calmness all else the world may have for me.	28 May 28, 1870 I am unwilling that my family should become a tax to the College, all its funds should be devoted to the purposes of education.	29 May 29, 1866 Above all things, learn at once to worship your Creator & to do His will as revealed in His Holy Book.	30 May 30, 1858 to Rooney: I hope you will always be distinguished for your avoidance of the “universal balm”, whiskey & every immorality.	31 May 31, 1863 to wife: I pray that our merciful Father in Heaven may protect and direct us! In that case, I fear no odds & no numbers.	



TEXAS CIVIL WAR HISTORY IN MAY



From the Texas State Historical Association— <https://texasdaybyday.com/#feedCarousel>

May 6th, 1864: On this day in one of the most moving incidents of the Civil War, Confederate General Robert E. Lee ordered the celebrated Hood's Texas Brigade to the front, and they in turn ordered him to the rear. During a critical moment of the fierce Battle of the Wilderness, as the Southern battle line was crumbling, Lee, commander of the Army of Northern Virginia, was heartened to see the Texas Brigade, under the command of John Gregg, arrive on the field as reinforcements. With a cry of "Hurrah for Texas!" Lee ordered them forward against the Union Army and, carried away by his enthusiasm, began to lead them into the charge. The Texans unwilling to risk their idol in battle, stopped and gathered around him, yelling "Lee to the rear!" and held onto his horse until he withdrew. The Texas Brigade suffered severe losses, but the Union army was once more fought to a standstill.

May 9th, 1865: On this day near Abbeville, Georgia, Jefferson Davis, former Texas governor Francis R. Lubbock, and Confederate postmaster and temporary treasurer John H. Reagan were captured by Union forces. Davis had been forced to flee Richmond with his cabinet on April 2, and the Confederate government had eluded Union patrols in both North and South Carolina. After his capture, Texan John Reagan was imprisoned until December.

May 13, 1865: On this day, more than a month after the surrender of General Robert E. Lee, the last land action of the Civil War took place at Palmito Ranch near Brownsville. The battle lasted four hours. Confederate casualties were a few dozen wounded. The federals lost 111 men and four officers, captured, and thirty men wounded or killed. Ironically, at the same time, the Confederate governors of Arkansas, Louisiana, Missouri, and Texas were authorizing Confederate commander Kirby Smith to disband his armies and end the war.

May 17th, 1865: On this day, the last 1,200 Federal prisoners left Camp Ford, a Confederate prison camp located four miles northeast of Tyler, Texas. The Camp, named in honor of Col. John S. (Rip) Ford, originally opened in 1862 as a facility for training Confederate conscripts, but the Trans-Mississippi Department ordered the establishment of a prison camp there in July 1863; the notorious John Pelham Border became commandant in May 1864. About 6,000 prisoners were confined at Camp Ford over the two years of its existence, making it the largest Confederate prison camp west of the Mississippi River. Of this number 286 died there. The remains of the prison compound were destroyed in July 1865 by a detail of the Tenth Illinois Cavalry.

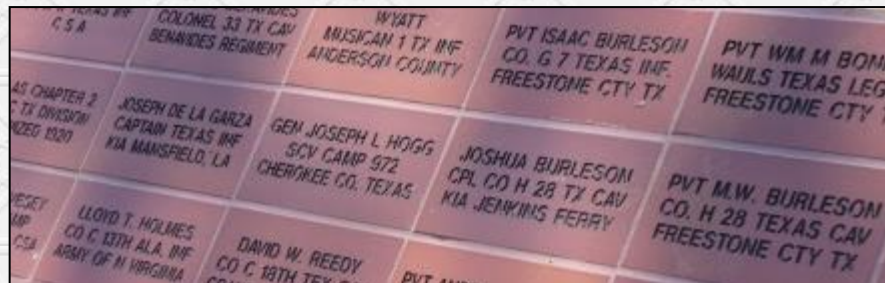
May 25, 1896: On this day, the Texas Division of the United Daughters of the Confederacy met for the first time in Victoria. The United Daughters of the Confederacy was established in 1894 by the merger of state groups in Georgia, Missouri, and Tennessee. The Texas Division was organized by Kate Cabell Muse, who had earlier organized a local chapter in her hometown, Dallas. The Texas Division has been active in marking historic locations and holds annual memorial observances to remember not only Confederate Veterans, but veterans of all wars. The division formerly sponsored the Texas Confederate Home and the Confederate Woman's Home and each year awards thousands of dollars in scholarships to descendants of Confederate veterans. It also maintains the Texas Confederate Museum.



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: danielder497@yahoo.com or Phone: (903) 391-2224 or Richard Thornton, Adjutant/Treasurer at E-mail: tx_tsar@hotmail.com



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.



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Month - 06:30 PM
Meal served at each meeting.

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