

TARRANT COUNTY TXGENWEB

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Civil War Veterans of Northeast Tarrant County

John Harrison Hallford

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John Harrison Hallford was a Confederate veteran and one of the Missouri colonists, the group who established the first permanent settlement in Tarrant County. His brother, Andrew J. Hallford, was one of the most prominent Baptist preachers here during the late 1800's.

John H. Hallford was a son of James Powell Hallford (1812-1868) and his wife, Sarah (Medlin) Hallford (1812-1880), who settled in northeast Tarrant County in the 1840's. John was born in Platte County, Missouri on February 16, 1841.

John was a Confederate soldier in Co. A, 34th Texas Cavalry, as were many other men from this area. His official records in the National Archives say he enlisted March 4, 1862 at Grapevine under Lt. Crowley for twelve months. He was a third sergeant by January-February 1864. He appears on a regimental roster near Monroe, Louisiana on August 18, 1864, having been appointed second lieutenant of the company on that day. His name appears on a regimental return dated April 1865 near Hempstead, Texas. No obvious CSA pension for man or wife.

John was married in Tarrant County, Texas on April 11, 1860 to Mary Jane Leonard, a daughter of Abraham Leonard and his wife, Margaret. Mary was born March 14, 1846 in Clearfield County, Pennsylvania. She died February 4, 1920 in Wichita Falls, Wichita County, Texas.

The following list of John Hallford's children was taken from family sources posted at ancestry.com. They included Benjamin F. Hallford (born December 3, 1863 in Hays County, Texas, died October 7, 1895 in Pittsburg, Oklahoma); John Talley Hallford (born December 3, 1864 in Tarrant County, Texas, died June 28, 1956 in Llano County, Texas); Lena Hallford (born about 1865); Ella Hallford (born about 1865); Rebecca Sarrah Hallford (born February 11, 1866 in Travis County, Texas, died February 1, 1868 in Travis County, Texas); Andrew Jasper Hallford (born January 1, 1867 in Travis County, Texas, died December 17, 1941 in Wichita Falls, Texas); James Leonard Hallford (born

February 12, 1870 in Travis County, Texas, died December 26, 1955 in Dublin, Erath County, Texas); Ida Irene Hallford (born February 19, 1872 in Travis County, Texas, died in February 1958 in New Braunfels, Texas, married Rube Tate); Edward Lewis Hallford (born November 23, 1873 in Travis County, Texas, died January 10, 1946 in Newburg, Comanche County, Texas); Mary Orlena Hallford (born February 16, 1879 in Comanche County, Texas, died January 20, 1908 in Throckmorton County, Texas, married Thomas Jefferson Pendergrass); and Bertie Lee Hallford (born April 11, 1882 in Comanche County, Texas, died June 11,1909 in Newburg, Comanche County, Texas, married John R. Reese).

John H. Hallford died on December 16, 1902 at Blair, Jackson County, Oklahoma. Neither Mr. nor Mrs. Hallford applied for a Confederate pension in Texas or Oklahoma.



Unidentified woman (left) with Mollie and John H. Hallford



John H. And Mollie Hallford