



# TARRANT COUNTY

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## Civil War Veterans of Northeast Tarrant County

### Hezekiah A. McKibben

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Hezekiah A. McKibben was a veteran of a Mississippi artillery regiment. According to his descendants, he settled in the Minter's Chapel area of northeast Tarrant County after 1880. He lies buried at Flower Mound in Denton County, not far north of Grapevine.

Hezekiah A. McKibben was born June 5, 1837 in Cabarrus County, North Carolina, a son of John A. McKibben (b. 1801) and his wife, Mary Dewese (b. 1798). At the time the 1860 census was taken, Hezekiah was living with his father and two of his sisters in Yalobusha County, Mississippi.

Hezekiah enlisted in the Confederate service at Grenada, Mississippi on November 6, 1861 for a term of one year; he became a private in Capt. Thomas J. Stanford's Company of Artillery, Mississippi volunteers. He was twenty-four years old at the time of his enlistment. His file in the National Archives contains an original signed "Certificate of Disability for Discharge" which says: *"Hezekiah A. McKibben of Captain T. J. Stanford's Company, Stanford's Battery, of the Confederate States of America was enlisted by T. J. Stanford of Stanford's Battery at Grenada, Miss., on the 6th day of Nov. 1861 to serve 1 year. He was born in Cabarrus Co. in the State of N. Carolina, is 24 years of age, 5 feet 10 inches high, light complexion, blue eyes, light hair, and by occupation when enlisted farmer. In the last 3 months said soldier has been unfit for duty 75 days. On the 15th Nov Mr McKibben was taken sick with measles and immediately afterward succeeded by Typhoid Pneumonia \_\_\_ aggravated form, and is now in my opinion \_\_\_ into P\_\_\_hisis, from which causes I recommend that he be discharged. [signed] T. J. Stanford, Commanding Company"* The document shows one approval date at Columbus, Kentucky on February 4, 1862.

On August 27, 1867, Mr. McKibben married Nancy E. Willingham. She was born November 10, 1849 in Alabama, and died March 6, 1891. She lies buried in Flower Mound Cemetery.

When the 1880 census was taken, they were living in Calhoun County, Mississippi. Mr. and Mrs. McKibben had five of their children with them: John A. (born about 1868); Irvington A. (born about 1872); Elizabeth M. (born about 1875); Permelia Ann (born about 1877); and Virgil Ira (born about 1879).

Hezekiah McKibben died September 4, 1897 and was buried in Flower Mound Cemetery in southern Denton County, Texas.

Keith Grantham, a descendant of McKibbens, submitted a family history to the Grapevine Area History, printed in 1979. It says, in part, ***“The McKibbens had 9 children: John, Irvington, Elizabeth, Annie (1876-1965), Virgil, Dora (1881-1965), Alice, Ernest, and Scott. Of these children, only Annie and Dora remained in the Grapevine area...”***

Five of the McKibben children have death certificates on file in Texas: Irvin Allison McKibben, Elizabeth McKibben, Annie McCollum, Mattie Dora McKibben, and Alice Gertrude Earle.

Irvin Allison McKibben, who was born January 25, 1871 in Mississippi. He died in Methodist Hospital in Dallas on February 28, 1963, and was buried in Mount Olivet Cemetery in Fort Worth. He was a widower at the time of his death.

Elizabeth McKibben's death certificate says she had no middle name, even though she appears in a census with the middle initial M. She was born in Mississippi on December 30, 1874. She was never married. She died in All Saints Hospital in Fort Worth on May 14, 1960, and was buried in Mount Olivet Cemetery in Fort Worth.

Mrs. Annie McCollum was born in Mississippi on December 31, 1876. She died at her home at 521 E. Worth Street in Grapevine, Texas on April 2, 1965. She was widowed, and the informant for her death certificate was Clarence Grantham. She was buried in Minter's Chapel Cemetery south of Grapevine.

Mattie Dora McKibben was born October 2, 1881 in Mississippi. She was never married, and worked as a teacher for the Fort Worth ISD. She died in Bedford, Texas at the LaDora Lodge on November 8, 1965, and was buried in Mount Olivet Cemetery in Fort Worth.

Mrs. Alice Gertrude Earle was born in Denton County, Texas on November 17, 1884. She died in Haltom City, Tarrant County, Texas on July 14, 1969, and was buried in Mount Olivet Cemetery.



NANCY F.  
McKIBBEN.  
NOV. 30. 1849  
MAR. 6. 1891

H. A. McKIBBEN  
JUNE 5.  
1837  
SEP. 4. 1897