



TARRANT COUNTY

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Civil War Veterans of Northeast Tarrant County

George Douglas Morrison

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George Douglas Morrison was a Confederate veteran from Georgia who settled in northeast Tarrant County about 1866. He died in his late forties and lies buried in Bear Creek Cemetery in Euless.

George D. Morrison was born in Tennessee on March 6, 1834, and was a son of Michael Lee Morrison and his wife, Nancy Chester Morrison. George's mother was a widow when she married Michael L. Morrison. Family genealogists suggest that

George may have been born in Warren County, Tennessee before the family made the move to Dade County, Georgia in the 1840's.

About 1858, George was married to Nancy Catherine Shoffner. She was born in Tennessee on June 18, 1836.

Morrison enlisted in Co. D, 39th Georgia Infantry, at Trenton, Dade County, Georgia on May 1, 1862. He enlisted for a term of three years. Another muster roll shows him to have enlisted on March 10, 1862. He was captured at the fall of Vicksburg, Mississippi on July 4, 1863, and was paroled on July 8. An original signed copy of his parole is still to be found in his military records file in Washington, D. C. He later returned to the 39th Georgia and continued serving with it. He was paroled at Greensboro, North Carolina on May 1, 1865 at the general surrender of Johnston's Confederate army. His name appears on one undated list of men who were furloughed for a time at Enterprise, Mississippi.

When he registered to vote in Tarrant County on November 20, 1869, he said he had been living in Precinct 3 of Tarrant County for three years; this would place his arrival about 1866. We have not been able to find his family in the 1870 census here.

When the 1880 census was taken in Precinct 3, Morrison and his family were listed living south of Big Bear Creek. With him in that year were his wife, Nancy C. Morrison, and three children: Judy (born about 1868), Robert E. (born about 1873), and John W. (born about 1876).

George D. Morrison died in Tarrant County on January 19, 1882 and was buried in Bear Creek Cemetery. Several years after his death, his widow was remarried to a Confederate widower in the community, Robert Cobb.

When map maker Sam Street made his "Map of Tarrant County, Texas, Dec. 1895" he placed the home of Mrs. Nancy C. Morrison (in modern-day terms) in Euless, east of the Euless-Grapevine Road, south of Glade Road and north of Mid-cities Boulevard. It sat approximately in the area surrounded by the following modern streets: Cinnamon on the north, Anice and Cranberry of the east, Catalpa on the south, and Bayberry on the West.

Nancy Morrison Cobb died at her home five miles south of Grapevine in Tarrant County at 6:15 a.m. on July 14, 1916 and was buried beside Mr. Morrison at Bear Creek.

Family sources report at least two more children born to George and Nancy Morrison than with them in the 1880 census. The eldest was Michael Lee Morrison was born in Georgia on February 13, 1859. He married Margaret Ann Stewart, who was born April 1, 1861 in Polk County, Missouri. They were married in Tarrant County, Texas September 25, 1878. Michael died October 3, 1892 at Woolsey, Indian Territory, and is buried there in the Woolsey [Stephens County, Oklahoma] Cemetery. After his death, his widow moved to Bailey, Oklahoma and raised her family there. She died February 22, 1953 and is buried in the cemetery at Bailey.

There was also a Morrison daughter named Sarah Elizabeth, who was born in March 1861 in Georgia. She died in 1909 in Hugo, Oklahoma.

Robert Edwin Morrison was born October 28, 1873 in Tarrant County, Texas. He died in Tarrant County on October 8, 1963 and was buried in Parker Memorial Cemetery in Grapevine, Texas.

At present we have no further information on Judy Morrison, born about 1868, or John W. Morrison, born about 1876 in Tarrant County, Texas.

