Civil War Veterans of Northeast Tarrant County

Joseph Harvey Cathcart

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Joseph Harvey Cathcart was born April 22, 1837 near Rock Hill, York Co., South Carolina. Joseph was married first to Sarah Ann Garrison on November 8, 1859. She died at the birth of their last child.

He enlisted November 23, 1861 as a private in Co. E, 17th South Carolina Infantry. He was captured near Petersburg, Virginia, on March 25, 1865, and was discharged from the federal prison at Point Lookout, Maryland on June 28, 1865.

Joseph and his second wife, Sarah Elizabeth Woods, were married November 11, 1876 in Mecklenburg Co., North Carolina. She was born January 25, 1854 in Mecklenburg Co., North Carolina.

Cathcart and his family moved to Texas in July, 1894, and settled near Eddy in McLennan County about 1904. In 1913, Cathcart applied for a Confederate pension while he was living a Eddy. The CATCHCARTS moved to Grapevine in July 1917, and settled on a sixty-six acre farm just southwest of White’s Chapel Methodist Church.

Joseph was a member of the Masonic Lodge for fifty-one years and a member of the Methodist church for seventy-three years. Joseph died June 20, 1928 in the Masonic Home for the Aged in Arlington, Texas. Sarah Cathcart died at the home of her son, L. T. Cathcart, August 20, 1935, and was buried beside her husband in White’s Chapel Cemetery. A biography of the Cathcart family and a photograph of Joseph Cathcart appeared in Grapevine Historical Society, Grapevine Area History in 1979.
By his first wife, Joseph was the father of six children: James Franklin; Willie; Lizzie; Lela; Cecil; and an infant who died along with Sarah Ann Cathcart, its mother. With his second wife, Joseph was the father of Thomas Roshell; Emma Lee; Leonard Thompson; Bessie Ann; Minnie; an infant who was born and died in 1888; John Greage; an infant who was born and died in 1895; and Estelle. No obituary for him appeared in the Fort Worth newspaper.