

TARRANT COUNTY TXGENWEB

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Civil War Veterans of Northeast Tarrant County

William Polk Cribbs

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William Polk Cribbs was a Confederate veteran who served in a Tennessee infantry regiment. Several years after the War ended he moved to Tarrant County. He lies buried in Calloway Cemetery in present-day Euless.

Family sources at Ancestry.com say William Polk Cribbs was born in October 22, 1827 at Manchester, Coffee County, Tennessee. He was a son of Thomas G. Cribbs (1806-1885) and his wife, Mary "Polly" Huffman (1809-1878).

According to family sources, Mr. Cribbs married Becky Trecia Fuller about 1847 in Tennessee. She was born in Coffee County, Tennessee on May 20, 1822, and died in present-day Euless, Texas on April 26, 1884. She was a sister of Euless pioneers William N. M. Fuller, John M. Fuller, Thomas W. Fuller, and Henry B. Fuller.

Cribbs served the Confederacy in Co. B, 17th Tennessee Infantry. Co. B of the 17th Tennessee Infantry was raised in Bedford County. He enlisted May 16, 1861 at Camp Harris. He was wounded in hip at the battle of Fishing Creek, Kentucky on January 19, 1862, and was absent from his command due to wounds until June 1862. When he was paroled at McMinnville, Tennessee on July 28, 1863, he listed his residence as Coffee County, Tennessee. In his later years, W. P. Cribbs was a member of the Robert E. Lee Camp of United Confederate veterans in Fort Worth.

When the 1880 census was taken, Mr. and Mrs. Cribbs and their family were living in Bedford County, Tennessee's District 2.

Mr. Cribbs died in on April 29, 1909 and is buried in Calloway Cemetery. He apparently did not apply for a Confederate pension from the State of Texas. He has a direct descendant in the area named Tim Mike.

A compilation of data from various family sources gives the following children for Mr. Cribbs: Mary Cribbs (1848-1882); John Tom Cribbs (Dec. 26, 1852-Feb. 21, 1893); Cullen Cribbs (1855-Feb. 15, 1901); William Alexander Cribbs (Oct. 31, 1857-May 15, 1932); Eliza Cribbs (1859-1890); Allas Cribbs (1861-1878); Sallie Artemisha Cribbs (Sept. 27, 1863-March 9, 1927); Edith Cribbs (1866-1893); Asbery B. Cribbs (Sept. 20, 1869-March 15, 1942); and Berry Mitchell Cribbs.

