Civil War Veterans of Northeast Tarrant County

Samuel Fletcher Green

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Samuel Fletcher Green was a Confederate veteran who lived in Precinct 3 of Tarrant County, in the Bedford area, in 1880. He was a member of a Mississippi infantry regiment. He was born October 14, 1842 in Mississippi to two native North Carolinian parents. Family sources at ancestry.com say he was a son of Wiley Green (1809-1871) and his wife, Rachel (Brister) Green (1808-1885). Samuel was born in Attala County, Mississippi.

On April 29, 1862, Green enlisted in Capt. George P. Wallace's Company (Attala Guards), 40th Regiment Mississippi Volunteers at Rocky Point, Attala County, Mississippi. The 40th Mississippi Regiment was consolidated with the 3rd and 31st Regiments about April 9, 1865, and formed the 3rd Consolidated Regiment Mississippi Infantry. The 40th Regiment, Mississippi Infantry fought at Iuka and Corinth, then were captured and later paroled at Vicksburg in July 1863. Green finished out the War with the 40th Regiment, Mississippi Infantry, when they surrendered on April 26, 1865.

Family sources say Samuel married Catherine Musselwhite about 1867 in Attala County, Mississippi. She was born October 3, 1847 in Attala County, Mississippi to Henry Musselwhite (1807-1871) and his wife, Nancy (McMillan) Musselwhite (1809-1868). Those sources also say Catherine died in Comanche County, Oklahoma on April 24, 1898.

When the 1870 census was taken, Samuel and his family lived in Attala County, Mississippi in Township 15, Range 6, Beat 3. With Samuel and Catherine that year were three children: W. H. Green (born about 1867); Robert Green (born about 1869), and Mary Green (born about April of 1870).

In 1877, Green moved to Texas and worked as a farmer. In 1880, the family lived in the Bedford area of Tarrant County. With Samuel in the 1880 census are shown his wife, Catherine Green (born about 1849 in Mississippi), and his children William, Robert, Dora, Margaret, Samuel, Thomas, and Louisiana Green.
When the 1900 census was taken, Samuel and his family were living in District 128, Precinct 1, of Wilbarger County, Texas. Samuel was a widower with four sons: Charley Green, Harvey Green, Roy Green, and Alvus Green.

Green applied for a Confederate pension in December, 1904, while he was a resident of Benavaneo, Wichita County, Texas. At the time, he said he had been living in Wichita County for about four months. He said he was wounded twice during the service, one at Vicksburg, then at New Hope in Georgia. He said he first served in the Mississippi militia, Allen’s Brigade, then in July of 1862 was transferred to Co. D, 40th Mississippi Infantry. An affidavit in his file by his sister, Mrs. S. E. Elliott, of Wilbarger County, said he was wounded in the hand. His official records in the National Archives say he enlisted April 29, 1862, and was absent wounded since June 15, 1864. One affidavit by Mrs. R. E. Humphries said he'd known him since early youth and that their families came to Texas together in 1877. The doctor said he suffered from a hernia, crippled left hand, stiff fingers, and one ring finger gone at the time he applied for his pension.

Samuel was admitted to the Confederate Men's Home in Austin on May 31, 1909, and was discharged on December 2, 1912. Green was readmitted to the Home on May 1, 1913. He died on July 11, (family sources say July 12) 1918, and was buried at the Texas State Cemetery the next day.

A composite list of the Greens’ children, taken from family internet and census sources, would include: William Henry Green (born about 1868 in Attala County, Mississippi, died in 1928 in Dimmitt County, Texas); Robert Lee Green (born about 1869 in Attala County, Mississippi); Mary Van Dora Green (born April 15, 1870 in Kosciusko, Attala County, Mississippi. Died March 4 1944 in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, married Willis Dellow Reynolds); Margaret Green (born February 20, 1872 in Attala County, Mississippi. Died September 5, 1933 in Pineville, Avoyelles Parish, Louisiana, married Reese Gollehon); Samuel Fletcher Green (born December 1, 1873 in Attala County, Mississippi, died January 5, 1933 in Lubbock, Texas); Thomas Singleton Green (born October 30, 1875 in Attala County, Mississippi, died March 20, 1941 in Terrell, Kaufman County, Texas); Louisiana Green (born March 5, 1878 in Wise County, Texas, died May 5, 1958 in Dimmit, Castro County, Texas); Charley Green (born October 16, 1880 in Tarrant County, Texas, died May 15, 1935 in Chillicothe, Hardeman County, Texas); Harvey Green (born in 1883 in Wise County, Texas); Harry Leroy Green (born about 1885 in Wise County, Texas); and Alvus Vernon Green (born April 29, 1889 in Wise County, Texas, died October 10, 1963 at Wellington, Texas).