Civil War Veterans of Northeast Tarrant County

John Haire

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John Haire was born about 1847 in District 8, Baker County, Georgia. He was a son of Roger Haire. In 1856, the Haires’ home area was taken out of Baker County and became a part of newly-formed Miller County.

According to a statement he made while a member of the United Confederate veterans, John was living in Baker County, Georgia when he enlisted in May, 1864 in Co. A, 29th Georgia Battalion. Official records say he enlisted July 15, 1864 at Bainbridge, Georgia for the period of the War. He surrendered with his regiment at Tallahassee, Florida on May 10, 1865, and was paroled at Albany, Georgia on May 18, 1865. He was a member of the Robert E. Lee Camp of United Confederate Veterans in Fort Worth.

John Haire and Mary Louisa Lowe, a daughter of Calvin Lowe, were married about 1870 in Miller County, Georgia, and they were still living there with their children when the federal census was taken in 1880.

Mrs. Haire was born January 5, 1850 in Georgia and died June 9, 1905. Family members say the Haires came to Texas from Colquitt, Miller County, Georgia in 1883. One of the daughters often told of walking behind the wagon on the trip from Georgia to Texas.

Mr. and Mrs. Haire were charter members of Pleasant Hill Advent Christian Church on February 7, 1883. A family history in the Grapevine Area History suggests he and his wife may have been living in Collin County, Texas in 1888.
John Haire ran a cotton gin at the present-day southeast corner of FM 1709 and Davis Boulevard. He was alive on January 19, 1922 when he was awarded the Southern Cross of Honor. He lies buried at White’s Chapel Cemetery. His gravestone contains no dates, and his death date does not appear in the Texas death records. No obituaries for them are found in any of the surviving issues of the Grapevine Sun.