

TARRANT COUNTY TXGENWEB

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Civil War Veterans of Northeast Tarrant County

Jesse Gray Human

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Jesse Gray Human lived in Precinct 3 in northeast Tarrant County when the censuses for 1880 and 1900 were taken. He was born October 1, 1841 in Madison County, Georgia. He was a Confederate veteran. Family records at Ancestry.com show him to have been the son of Basil A. Human (1813-1885) and his wife, Emmaliza Gore (1813-1863). When the 1850 census was taken, he was living with his father's family in Morgan County, Georgia. His father was a shoe merchant.

Jesse grew up in a comfortable, slave-owning family. In 1850 his father owned five slaves: four males aged 15, 17, 35, and 65; and one female aged 65.

Family sources say Basil Human brought his family to Smith County, Texas in 1853. When the 1860 census was taken, Jesse

was living with his father's family at Flora in Smith County, Texas. The ages and birthplaces of the children in the family indicate they may have come to Texas about 1855.

Jesse Human served the Confederacy as a soldier in Co. E, 14th Texas Infantry. His records in Washington are scant; the National Archives shows that he was sick with his regiment on July 4, 1863. He was detailed to be a cooper on October 20, 1863. He was also on detailed duty in the Brigade Quartermaster Depot on May 24, 1864. When his wife applied for a Confederate widow's pension in 1929, she added the facts that he enlisted March 22, 1862 at Tyler, Texas, and served until the end of the war. Part of the time he was detailed making harness for mules and shoes for soldiers.

Ancestry.com sources report a total of four marriages for Mr. Human. The first was to Kizza Null in Smith County, Texas on January 4, 1861. They had one child, Jesse Marquis Human

(1862-1936). He was next married, also in Smith County, to June 30, 1865 to Permelia Null (Kizza's sister), with whom he had two children, Zoe Human and Johnny Basil Human (1867-1906). The 1870 census of Smith County seems to bear out the accuracy of these data.

In 1870 Jesse and his family were at Garden Valley in Smith County, Texas. His occupation is shown as a shoe and boot maker. His second wife, Permelia, was still living.

Jesse Human's third wife, Mary Virginia McDonald, was born March 22, 1852 and died January 3, 1894. She was a daughter of northeast Tarrant County pioneer Charles Baker McDonald. She lies buried in Lonesome Dove Cemetery beside two of her children, Charlie Human (November 21, 1873-June 14, 1875) and Albert C. Human (who died February 6, 1887 at the age of 4 years, 6 months, and 9 days). Their other children included Ritta Human (1881-1928, the wife of George Franklin Human), William Gray Human (1885-1939), and Effie Human (1887-1972).

Soon after his first wife's death, Mr. Human married his fourth wife, Emma L. Jarmon, on July 11, 1894 in Lindale, Texas. Their first child lies buried in Grapevine Cemetery, an infant who was born and died March 30, 1895.

His widow, Emma L. Human of Muskogee, Oklahoma lived there at 2439 Denver Street when she filed for a Confederate pension on March 29, 1929. She said she and her husband had lived in Oklahoma since about 1902. She was sixty-four years old, and was a native of Lindale, Smith County, Texas. Their children included June Gray Human (1896-1954, the wife of a Mr. Battaile); Dewey Jarmon Human (1898-1935), and Olive Human (1899-1964, who married James Ralph Wright).

Jesse Grey Human died 15 May 1918 in Calera, Oklahoma about five miles southwest of Durant. His grave is in the Calera Cemetery. Several genealogists have posted information on Mr. Human and his family at Ancestry.com.



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Third Mrs. Human Mary Virginia McDonald



Headstone of Mary Virginia Human