Civil War Veterans of Northeast Tarrant County

Jonathan W. Hutton

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Jonathan W. Hutton lived with his parents and siblings northeast of Birdville when the Civil War began. He served in the Confederate Army, and may have died in the service.

Jonathan was born in Conway County, Arkansas about 1842. He was a son of Vincent James Hutton, one of the earliest pioneers of Tarrant County. Jonathan came with his parents and siblings to northeast Tarrant County in the 1840’s and settled somewhere in the area between Birdville and Grapevine. In 1850 the family appears in the census here.

Jonathan was a member of Col. William W. McGinnis’s Company of Mounted Volunteers, raised in Precinct 3 of Tarrant County in July, 1861. J. W. Hutton appears as Third Corporal of the Company. He subsequently joined Co. A, 9th Texas Cavalry, as did many other northeast Tarrant County men. He enlisted and was mustered in on October 14, 1861 at Camp Reeves, in Grayson County, Texas, for a term of twelve months. He provided his own horse, worth $80, and his own equipment, worth $15. He had traveled one hundred fifty miles to the regimental rendezvous. He is shown present on all the surviving muster rolls of the regiment up until July 11, 1863, when he was absent on a scouting detail. In the months of September and October, 1863, he is shown absent, suspected of being captured while on the July scout near Jackson, Mississippi. Union prisoner of war records show him to have been captured on July 10, 1863 near Jackson, Mississippi and sent to Memphis, Tennessee on July 17, 1863. He was received at the Gratiot Street Military Prison in St. Louis, Missouri on July 16, 1863. On August 1, he was forwarded to Camp Morton, Indiana, another federal prison. He escaped from the prison camp on September 11, 1863. There are no later records of him in the service.

Descendants of Jonathan’s brother, John W. Hutton, in Grayson County were not sure what became of Jonathan. They believed he had been captured and had died in a federal prison. No one appearing to be Jonathan W. Hutton has been found in the census indexes for the 1870, 1880, or 1900 federal
censuses. No one appearing to be this Jonathan W. Hutton or his widow applied for a Confederate pension in Texas or Arkansas. Some descendants of his father who have placed data at Ancestry.com say that Jonathan died in Conway County, Arkansas.