

TARRANT COUNTY TXGENWEB

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Civil War Veterans of Northeast Tarrant County

Andrew J. Jasper

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Andrew J. Jasper was born in Kentucky on April 7, 1831. Family sources at ancestry.com say he was born in Pulaski County, Kentucky, and was a son of Achilles Jasper (1794-1870) and his wife, Sarah "Sally" Harris, who was born about 1797. By the time the 1850 census was taken, the Jaspers had moved to Missouri, where the census taker found them living in District 38 of Holt County.

Andrew came to Tarrant County in the early 1850's with his parents. By 1860 A. J. Jasper had settled in northeast Tarrant County, where he owned 355 acres of the J. Hallford survey and 160 acres of the W. H. Jasper survey, both of which lay just south of Little Bear Creek.

Andrew J. Jasper joined the Bear Creek Baptist Church in present-day Euless in 1854 by letter, and was dismissed from it by letter in 1869. Several other Jaspers, including his parents, also joined the church in the years before the Civil War.

Jasper told members of the Robert E. Lee Camp of United Confederate Veterans in Fort Worth that he enlisted in 1862 at Grapevine and became a private in Co. A, 34th Texas Cavalry. He was also for a time a 3rd Sergeant in Cummins Company, and is shown on one of its rolls dated June 18, 1861. He appears on a regimental return for April 1865 as a member of Co. A, 34th Texas Cavalry; that single record is the only surviving trace of his service with that regiment.

By the time the 1880 census was taken, he was living in District 78 in Hill County, Texas as a divorced man with several children. They included James (born about 1862), Mary (born about 1864), Laura (born about 1867) and Joseph (born about 1870); all were born in Texas.

Records of the R. E. Lee Camp of Confederate Veterans indicate that he died after 1885 and was buried at Hillsboro, Texas. However, he appears in the 1910 census at Henrietta, Clay County, Texas, living in the household of his son, Joseph F. Jasper.

Several genealogists have posted information about Andrew J. Jasper at Ancestry.com.