Civil War Veterans of Northeast Tarrant County

Dr. Henry Augustus Lewis

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Dr. Henry Augustus Lewis was a Confederate veteran and physician. He and his family came to Texas in 1879 and settled in or near Grapevine, where he was a doctor in 1880. In that year, they lived in Precinct 3 north of Big Bear Creek.

Henry was born about 1845 in Alabama. He told census officials that his father was a native of New Jersey and his mother was born in Alabama.

He was a soldier in Co. B, 3rd Texas Cavalry. His official records in Washington say he enlisted June 23, 1861, and is on the roll as a sergeant as late as May and June 1864. An affidavit by John B. Reagan, living at the Confederate Home in Austin, said he had known Lewis at Rusk, Texas during the years 1859-1865. Reagan said Lewis enlisted at Henderson and was sworn in at Dallas on June 13, 1861, and served until the end of the war.

In 1885, Lewis owned 138 acres of the H. Atkinson survey, 10 acres of the Patrick Everard survey, and some town lots in Grapevine. About 1891 they moved to Dallas County.

Dr. Lewis died at Farmer’s Branch in Dallas County on June 11, 1895. An obituary for Henry A. Lewis appeared in the Dallas Herald on June 12, 1895: “DR. LEWIS. Farmer’s Branch, Tex. June 11. Dr. H. A. Lewis died at his home to-day of heart failure. Dr. Lewis was 50 years old. He had been a very successful physician, but of late years had retired from the practice of medicine, and at the time of his death was engaged in the drug business. He leaves a wife, two daughters, and a son. Dr. Lewis had been in Dallas County for about a year.”

His widow, Cassie Lewis, lived at 437 Bryan Street in Dallas in 1900 with two children. She was born in Lisbon, Claiborne Parish, Louisiana in July 1852. She and Mr. Lewis were married January 31, 1871 in Claiborne Parish, Louisiana. When she applied for a Confederate widow’s pension in 1907, she listed her address as 200 Simpson Street in Dallas. Mrs. Lewis told the census taker she
had given birth to three children, all of whom were still living. They included Elizabeth (born about 1873 in Louisiana), Lucille (born in January 1879 in Louisiana), and Charles (born in October 1881 in Texas).