

## TARRANT COUNTY TXGENWEB

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## Civil War Veterans of Northeast Tarrant County

## **Charles Cook Neace**

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Charles Cook Neace was among the earliest settlers of Tarrant County, settling with his parents, siblings, and a large extended family near the Mt. Gilead Community near Keller in 1847. He was a Confederate veteran.

Charles was born in Moniteau County, Missouri on February 6, 1846. He was a son of Tarrant County pioneers and Peters Colonists Iraneous Neace and his wife, Lucinda (Allen) Neace, both of whom lie buried in Mount Gilead Cemetery east of Keller. Iraneous Neace brought his family here in 1847 and settled along upper Big Bear Creek near where Mount Gilead Cemetery is now located.

Charles Neace served the Confederacy as a soldier in Co. B, Well's Battalion Texas Cavalry. His records in the National Archives show him detached as a teamster in the Choctaw Nation [Oklahoma] on May 15, 1864.

Charles Neace applied for a Confederate pension in 1912, with his residence 408 Ryan Street in Fort Worth. He said he was sixty-six years old, born in Missouri, and had been in Texas since 1849. In another affidavit in the file he said he had come to Texas with his father's family in 1847. He had been living in Tarrant County about fifteen months when he applied, and had been working until recently as a small grocer. He was in Co. B, Well's Battalion Texas Cavalry. James Cox of Dallas County, who had served with him, made an affidavit for him attesting to his service.

His widow, Rebecca Ann Neace, of Pilot Point, Texas, applied for a Confederate pension in 1930. She said she and Mr. Neace were married on July 12, 1914 in Tarrant County. She said he left the army at the end of the war. She had lived in Texas since September, 1895. She was 74 years old, and was born September 8, 1856. She had lived sixteen years at Pilot Point, Texas. She said her husband drove a supply wagon during the war, and that he was both deaf and blind for the last six years of his life. Mrs. Neace died in Denton County on February 14, 1936.

Charles Cook Neace died at Pilot Point in Denton County on July 8, 1930. He was born Feb. 6, 1846, and was a retired merchant. The informant was Mrs. Samuel Lyon of Fort Worth. He died at 12:30 "m.m." of cancer of the tongue, with Bright's disease as a contributory cause. He was buried at Mount Gilead on July 9, near his parents and several other of his relatives.

Internet records suggest that Mr. Neace may have been married three times, with children in his first two marriages. Several descendants of the Neace family have placed information on the internet at Ancestry.com.



