Civil War Veterans of Northeast Tarrant County

Thomas Washington Price

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Thomas Washington Price was a Union veteran of a Missouri regiment who settled in the Keller area during the 1870’s. He died here in the early 1880’s and lies buried in Mount Gilead Cemetery. Two of his sons who settled here and who also served in the Union army, William Creason Price and David A. Price, lie buried in Bourland Cemetery in Keller.

Thomas W. Price was born in North Carolina about 1820. Family sources at ancestry.com say his parents were Allen Price and his wife, Patsy (Edwards) Price.

Mr. Price married Rebecca Creason in Ray County, Missouri on November 26, 1840. She was a daughter of William Creason, who died in Ray County. Family sources at ancestry.com say she was born April 7, 1826 in Ray County. She told the census taker in 1900 that she was born in April 1828.

In the census of 1850 in District 75, Ray County, Missouri, Thomas W. Price and his family are shown. The family included four children: William (born about 1843), Elizabeth (born about 1846), David (born about 1848), and Dianna? Price (born about 1849). Rebecca Price and all the children were born in Missouri. Thomas owned real estate worth six hundred dollars.

In the census of 1860 in Fishing River Township, in Ray County, Missouri, Thomas W. Price and his family appear. The family included seven children: William Creason (born about 1842), Elizabeth (born about 1845), David (born about 1847), Mary A. (born about 1851), Eliza A. (born about 1854), John T. (born about 1857), and Jessie D. Price (a son born in the spring of 1860). Mr. Price’s farm land was valued in that year at two thousand two hundred dollars, and his personal property was valued at one thousand five hundred dollars.
When the 1870 census was taken, Thomas and his family were still in Ray County, in Camden Township in the area served by the post office at Richmond, Missouri. They had five children with them: John (born about 1857), Jesse D. (born about 1860), Martha A. (born about 1865), George Allen (born about 1867), and Piercy Price (born about 1868). Thomas owned real estate worth $2275 and personal property worth four hundred sixty-nine dollars.

By the time the 1880 census was taken, Thomas and his family had settled in Tarrant County’s Precinct 4. He appears in the census next-door to the family of his son, David A. Price. Thomas and Rebecca had three of their own children with them: Martha E. (born about 1865), George A. (born about 1867), and Piercie Price (born about 1869). Also with them was their grandson, Alford T. Woods (born about 1863 in Missouri), and their granddaughter, Ella Price, who was born about 1872 in Texas.

Thomas W. Price died at his home near Keller on Saturday, April 15, 1882. Descendants report he was buried in Mount Gilead Cemetery. A short notice of his death appeared in the Fort Worth newspaper on Tuesday, April 18, 1882. Reports in the Fort Worth newspapers of deaths in outlying areas of the county in those days were very rare, and descendants of Mr. Price’s are quite fortunate that his death was recorded there.

Thomas W. Price appears in the 1880 Tarrant County agricultural census. He was a sharecropper. He had fifty acres of tilled land, thirty-five acres of woodland, and twenty other acres of land of unspecified use. His buildings were worth one thousand dollars, and his farming implements had a value of fifteen dollars. His livestock was worth two hundred dollars. He estimated he produced eight hundred dollars worth of produce in 1879. He had five horses, one mule, six milk cows, and ten other cattle. His cows had dropped five calves in the past year. He estimated he had produced one hundred pounds of butter in 1879. He had two hogs and two dozen chickens. His thirty acres in Indian corn had yielded four hundred bushels. His twenty acres of cotton produced twelve bales. In 1879 he produced ten cords of wood which had a value of twenty dollars.

Rebecca Price appears in the 1890 Union Veterans census at Bridgeport, Wise County, Texas. She said her husband was a Union veteran but she did not know any details of his company or regiment.

In 1900, Rebecca Price was living with the family of her son, John T. Price, in Voting Precinct 10 in Wise County, Texas. She has not been found in any subsequent census record, and it seems likely she lies buried in Bridgeport, Wise County.

The following short accounts of Thomas Price’s children were compiled from a variety of internet genealogical sources, public records, and cemetery records. Some sources on the internet without documentation contain the names of additional children.

William Creason Price was born December 3, 1841. His wife’s name was Frances Ann, and the death certificate of one of their children says her maiden name was Hankins. He died near Keller, Texas on June 30, 1908, where he lies buried in Bourland Cemetery. His wife’s side of their double stone is blank.
Elizabeth Price was born about 1846. She married Alford Woods in Ray County, Missouri on September 5, 1861. Family sources say she died in 1863. Her son, Alford, lived in Tarrant County, Texas with his Price grandparents in 1880.

David Alford Price was born in 1846 and died at Keller, Texas in 1935. He was a Union veteran, and a biographical sketch of his life appears on another place at this site.

Dianna? Price was born about 1849. She does not appear with her parents in the census of 1860.

Mary A. Price (descendants say her middle name was Jane) was born February 16, 1851. Descendants say she married Aaron Hawkins in Ray County, Missouri on March 21, 1867.

Eliza A. Price was born May 2, 1854. Descendants say she married William H. Edwards on January 27, 1870.

John T. Price was born July 19, 1857. He married Cynthia Ann Weiss (1858-1950) on January 24, 1875. He and his wife lived in Wise County, Texas in 1900. He died August 30, 1918, and lies buried beside his wife in Wise County’s Eastmound Cemetery.

Jessie Dotson Price was born March 1, 1860. He married Mary Ann Richey (1861-1905) in Tarrant County on February 5, 1879. By 1900 they had moved to Dickens County, Texas. When the censuses of 1910 and 1920 were taken, he lived in Tillman County, Oklahoma. He died in 1943 at Hobart, Oklahoma, and was buried in Lone Wolf Cemetery in Kiowa County, Oklahoma.

Martha A. Price (family sources say her middle name was Elizabeth) was born July 18, 1865. Family sources say she married T. J. Evans on January 22, 1882.

George Allen Price was born June 20, 1866. He married Margaret June Richardson (1871-1945) on December 27, 1889 at Decatur, Wise County, Texas. They lived in Wise County in 1900. George died in 1953 at Duncan, Stephens County, Oklahoma. He and his wife are buried in the Duncan Municipal Cemetery.

Piercia Price was born May 17, 1868. About 1891 she married Henry M. Hughes (1873-1950). They lived in Wise County, Texas in 1900. She died October 17, 1935 in Wise County, and was buried in Bridgeport West Cemetery there.