Solomon R. Robertson was a Union veteran of the Civil War who lived the last years of his life in Hurst. Along with several other Union veterans, he lies buried in Hurst’s Arwine Cemetery. Several of Solomon’s descendants have placed information at ancestry.com, from which much of this biographical sketch was taken.

Solomon was born in Jackson County, Indiana on August 9, 1845 and was a son of James Randolph Robertson (1815-1864) and his wife, Mary Catherine Butcher (1818-1880). The 1850 census taker found the family living in Salt Creek Township in Jackson County; Solomon is shown as a seven-year-old boy.

Solomon served in Companies H and C, 50th Indiana Infantry. He told the census taker in 1890 he enlisted October 24, 1861 and was discharged on January 5, 1865. His service was performed mostly in Kentucky, Tennessee, Arkansas, and Alabama. Both Solomon and Sarah were pensioned for his service in the Union army.

Mr. Robertson married Sarah F. Sexton in Brown County, Indiana on March (some sources say July) 23, 1865 Sarah was born April 16, 1848 in Brown County, Indiana and died March 20, 1928 in Tarrant County, Texas. She lies buried beside Solomon in Arwine Cemetery. She was a daughter of Enoch and Sarah (Arwine) Sexton, both of whom came to Texas and are also buried in Arwine Cemetery.

Solomon’s home appears on the 1895 Sam Street Map of Tarrant County. In modern-day terms, it sat in Hurst on the south side of Pipeline Road at about its intersection with Buena Vista Drive.

Solomon Robertson died in Tarrant County on November 16, 1895 and was buried in Arwine Cemetery.
When the 1900 census taker visited Mrs. Robertson, she said she had given birth to seven children, five of whom were still living. At the time, she was living with her daughter, S. Annie Brown (born in January 1873 in Indiana) and her husband, James H. Brown.

Family genealogists at ancestry.com report the following children for Samuel Robertson: Florence B. Robertson (February 21, 1866 in Brown County, Indiana-January 21, 1931, married Jesse Madison George, buried at Arwine Cemetery); Mary Etta Robertson (January 18, 1868 in Brown County, Indiana-January 2, 1902, buried in Arwine Cemetery, married Elbert Eugene Souder); Olla Jane Robertson (May, 1870 in Brown County, Indiana, died young); Anna Robertson (January 1873 in Brown County, Indiana-1969, buried at Arwine Cemetery, married John L. Sexton, is shown in the 1900 census as the wife of James H. Brown); Minnie M. Robertson (February 1875 in Brown County, Indiana-1942, buried in Arwine Cemetery, married William N. Bewley); and Alice Robertson (January 15, 1878-May 2, 1913, buried in Arwine Cemetery, married George W. Crouch).