

TARRANT COUNTY TXGENWEB

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Civil War Veterans of Northeast Tarrant County

Charles Moore Scruggs

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Charles Moore Scruggs was a Confederate veteran who came to Tarrant County from Tennessee after the War. He lies buried in Calloway Cemetery in present-day Euless.

Charles M. Scruggs was born in 1843 in Tennessee. Although we have found no evidence other than the similarity of names and the fact that so many other settlers came to northeast Tarrant County from Bedford County, Tennessee, there was one Charles M. Scruggs living with his parents, John E. Scruggs and Mary Jane Scruggs, in District 2 of Bedford County, Tennessee in that year. Their son, Charles M. Scruggs, was eight years old and born in Tennessee.

Charles Scruggs served the Confederacy as a soldier in Co G, 17th Tennessee Infantry. Two different enlistment dates are shown in his official records in the National Archives, both at Bristol, Tennessee...July 29, 1861 for a term of nine and one-half months, and August 1, 1861. Beginning from the time of his enlistment, he is shown present on all the regiment's surviving rolls through December 31, 1862. On a roll for January and February, 1863, he is shown "on detailed service with Capt. J. F. Armstrong ACS." On the roll for May and June, 1863, a notation was made that he was detailed to serve in the commissary department November 15, 1862. A report dated September 9, 1863 at Charleston, Tennessee shows him to be serving with the commissary at Cleveland, Tennessee..."last heard from August 12, 1863." He is shown present on rolls for September 1 through December 31, 1864, and is shown on a clothing receipt roll dated May 14, 1864. Lastly, his name appears on a list of men serving at staff headquarters of the Army of Tennessee, paroled at Greensboro, North Carolina on April 26, 1865; he was at that time in the "subsistence department."

The 1880 census taker found C. M. Scruggs and his wife, M. E. Scruggs, living in the town of Grand Glaize in Jackson County, Arkansas. Mr. Scruggs's father's place of birth is not legible, but it may be South Carolina. His mother was a native of Virginia. Mrs. M. E. Scruggs was born about 1859 in Arkansas, as were both her parents. They had two children with them in that year: Mary Scruggs (born about 1877) and Jane? Scruggs (born in October 1879).

Scruggs was a member of the Robert E. Lee Camp of United Confederate Veterans in Fort Worth. He had joined the camp by 1884, at which time he gave his address as Bedford, Texas.

When the 1900 census was taken, Mrs. Mary E. Scruggs was living in District 84, Fort Worth Ward 1, of Tarrant County. Her street address was 607 East First Street. She and two of her minor children were living in the household of William H. McCanne? and his wife, Mary (who was born in September 1876). Mary was Mrs. Scrugg's daughter. Mrs. Mary E. Scruggs said she was born in Arkansas in January of 1860, that she was a widow, and that she had given birth to nine children, six of whom were still living. The two minor children living with her were Lizzie Scruggs (born in December 1882 in Texas) and Josephine Scruggs (born in February 1888 in Texas).

In 1910, Mrs. Mary E. Scruggs operated a boarding house in Fort Worth at 1332 Evans Avenue. The census appears to show that none of her nine children were then alive, but that may be an error in transcription or in reading for a "0" what may in fact be a "6."

Charles Moore Scruggs died in 1897 and was buried in Calloway Cemetery. His wife, Millie Elizabeth, was born in 1860 and died in 1911. Mrs. Scruggs does not have a death certificate on file. She lies buried beside him.

