

Dedicated to the memory of the Sergeant William Williston Heartsill Company F 2nd Texas Cavalry, C.S.A

#### **Next Meeting...**

Tuesday,

**September 20, 2022** 

6:30 P.M.

**SPEAKER** 

Michael Hurley, TX DV 1<sup>st</sup> Lt. Commander. Symbol meaning on early tombstones

**Dinner Belle Restaurant** 

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**Bring a Friend** 



W. W. Heartsill

#### 2022 Texas Division Distinguished Camp Winner

Compatriots and my Brothers All:

Well we are starting a new SCV Finacial year and I am proud to report that due to the hard work of our Adjutant Frank Crisp we again had 100% retention of our Camp's membership. I thank you all for getting your dues in to Frank. At the September meeting I present to Albert Colvin the SCV National's Commendation award for service to the Camp, Brigade and Texas Division. I wrote up the justification for Albert and submitted to the Texas Division who sent it up to the National for all of the dedication and assistances that Albert has provided. Albert has been present to document the activities of our Camp and the activities of the 5<sup>th</sup> Brigade of the Texas Division. Without his help our Camp would not have documented our activities that we submitted to win the Texas Distinguished Camp Award in 2022 or the Superior Camp and Community service awards we won in 2021. It hard to do the work, and also take the pictures. Because of Albert we have been able to show all the work this Camp has conducted. Also many of times he put down his camera and pitched in helping with the work we were doing. Thanks Albert for being there for and with the W. W. Heartsill Camp.

Bill Elliott, Commander, at your service.

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#### Pictures from the August meeting by Albert Colvin













We had a good turnout for our August meeting and the movie by the American Battlefield Trust about Vicksburg. On behalf of our Camp we submitted Albert Colvin for a SCV National Commendation medal for he has done for our Camp by documenting our events and projects. Again we thank Albert for his dedication to the SCV.

## The story of Gus Shaw, Co. B, 14<sup>th</sup> Texas Infantry:







Guy & Catherine Shaw and their daughter Alice Shaw Tittle holding Claudia A. Taylor.

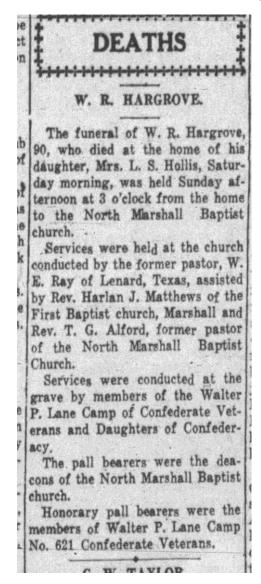
At the 2022 National Reunion I was visiting with David Hill the Past Commander of the Gen. Richard Taylor Camp in Shreveport. He asked me if I had ever visited the grave of Confederate Veteran Guy Shaw, who is buried at Antioch Cemetery in Leigh, at the intersection of 134 & 1999. I told him I had been by there several times over the years but why would a Confederate Soldier be buried in the cemetery of a Black Church's? Well Guy Shaw was a Black Confederate Veteran,

So when the Marshall News Messenger came out on Saturday with a front page story about the passing of Mike Campbell a Texas historian who wrote several articles about Harrison County before and after the Civil War. From his books I found stats on how many men served in the Civil War from Harrison County. At the closing of the article on Mike Campbell was his work on finding the facts about Black Confederate Soldier Guy Shaw. So this reminded me I needed to see what I could find out about Guy Shaw. I first looked in my copy of the "Red Book" Harrison County, Texas in the Civil War. There he was on page 356, Shaw, Guy (Black), born 1844, at Franklin County, North Carolina, died 22 July 1931 at age 78, Harrison County, Texas, Spouse Catherine, married October 1911, Harrison County, Pension #38567, Service, Co. B, 14<sup>th</sup> Texas Infantry, served from May 1862 until July 1865, surrendered near Houston, Texas July 1865. The 14<sup>th</sup> was formed in Harrison County by Gov. / Col. Edward Clark after he returned to Marshall after serving the 1<sup>st</sup> year of the War as Governor of Texas. So I went to Fold3 to look up the service records on Guy Shaw of Co. B. 14<sup>th</sup> Texas Infantry. Guess what? No records on Guy Shaw, Black Confederate soldier of the 14<sup>th</sup>.

Well since the second source of info on Shaw came from the late Mike Campbell I thought I could go to his articles on this. His report to the Texas Historical Society on Guy Shaw ended up being a YouTube 7 minute movie. Here is his report. Campbell found that the Veterans pension for Guy Shaw was sworn to in 1910 by William Roswell Hargrove 1842-1932 and Rev. Julian Woodson 1845-1923 who both served in Co. B. 14<sup>th</sup> Texas Infantry. They both were members of the W.P. Lane UCV Camp #621. Guy Shaw received a pension from the State of Texas for \$8.33 per month or \$99.096 per year. So Campbell went into the records of William R. Hargrove. The Hargrove's came to Harrison County in 1848 from North Carolina. The 1851 census showed that William R. Hargrove born in North Carolina had 41 slaves. His children had listed a William R. Hargrove age 8. The Senior William R. Hargrove died in 1856 and the probate records showed in his assets a slave boy

named Guy age 6 worth \$800. I went to the "Red Book" again and found William Roswell Hargrove was born on Jan. 17, 1842 in Franklin County, North Carolina, and he died on May 14, 1932 and is buried in Greenwood Cemetery. He joined Co. A, 3<sup>rd</sup> Texas Cavalry then transferred to Co. B. 14<sup>th</sup> Texas Infantry at its formation in March 1862 and was with the 14<sup>th</sup> when it surrendered in June 1865. In the comments it has: William R. Hargrove was accompanied by a Negro servant, Gus Shaw, who cared for him while he was in the Army. He came to Texas in 1848.

So Hargrove and Rev. Julian Woodson both thought enough of the service that Guy Shaw rendered to the 14<sup>th</sup> Texas that they help him secure a Texas Pension, that after his death his wife received until her death. They also helped secure him a VA Confederate soldier's tombstone that was placed at his grave. Mike Campbell in his report stated that nowhere in any of Guy Shaw's pension application did it ever state that he was Black. Another one of Guy's claim to fame is that his daughter Alice Shaw Tittle was the nanny who raised Claudia Alta Taylor from an infant to a young adult. She is the one who gave Claudia the nick name "Lady Bird" who was the daughter of T. J. Taylor, and she would become the wife of President Lyndon B. Johnson.









George Washington Sanderson joined the 28<sup>th</sup> or Captain Hopkins Co., Frazier's Regt. Alabama Volunteers on March 10, 1862 at Shelby Springs Al.. He was wounded at the Battle of Chickamauga, GA. On Sept. 20, 1863. Was detailed to Hospital duty as a nurse so his wounds to heal. He was discharged in May of 1865 at Eufaula, Alabama. His grave is now marked. Just as we got it installed the bottom fell out but we were glad to get more rain,







Finding the spot

locating the bodies

starting the dig







Making a firm base

getting it unloaded

placing the tombstone

#### **Another Find at Greenwood Cemetery.**







The Langley Brothers Sgt. Thomas H. and William S. Langley at Greenwood







William & Thomas

Col. F.S. Bass

1<sup>st</sup> Texas Flag

When I was flagging last week at Greenwood I pulled the old flag off Sgt. Langley's grave. I went back to my truck and got another handful of flags and zip ties. As I stepped into the Langley family plot I saw something shining on the ground at the northeast corner. I rubbed my foot across it and there was a VA bronze marker. I went back to the truck and got my whisk broom and came back and cleaned it off. There I found a marker for William Simms Langley 1838-1863. The rain we had pushed enough leaves, grass and dirt away enough to expose it enough for me to see it shining thru. The story has it that William died at Gettysburg at the battle for Little Round top at an area called the Devil's Den. Due to the heavy artillery fire it was described as horrible with bodies mangled and mutilated. So the question is did Sgt. Langley and family have this marker placed in William memory or did the recover his body and return it to Marshall. I bet it was they placed the marker. I did a story on the Langley Brothers in the February 2021 edition of our Camp newsletter. The 1<sup>st</sup> Texas Company E was called "The Marshall Guards" The original strength was 4 Officers lead by Captain F.S. Bass, 6 non-commissioned officers, one ensign (flag bearer) and 55 enlisted men. So they left Marshall with 68 men. They had an overall rate of 53causalities in the 38 battles they fought in. RIP Company E, 1<sup>st</sup> Texas Infantry.

# In Memory of the Confederate Companies from Harrison County, Texas

2nd Texas Cavalry Co. F "Walter P. Lane Rangers" Captain Sam J. Richardson

3rd Texas Cavalry Co A "The Texas Hunters"

1st Texas Infantry Co. E "The Marshall Guards"

7th Texas Infantry Co. D "Bass Greys"

7th Texas Infantry Co. H "Texas Invincibles"

17th Texas Cavalry Co. E "Hendricks Company"

17th Texas Cavalry Co. K "Clough Rangers"

14th Texas Infantry Co. B "Clough and Hill Avengers"

14th Texas Infantry Co A. "Marshall Mechanics"

14th Texas Infantry Co. H "Cypress Tigers"

28th Texas Cavalry Co. F "Harrison County Lancers"

1st Cavalry Regiment Partisans Rangers

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Captain T. W. Winston

Captain F. S. Bass

Captain K M Van Zandt

Captain W. B. Hill

Captain S. B. Hendricks

Captain Gil McKay

Captain W. L. Pickens

Captain N. S. Allen

Captain John Miller

Captain Phil Brown

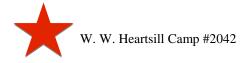
Captain Hec McKay

Captain S. W. Webb









Upcoming Reunions
<u>Fall Muster at Beauvoir, Biloxi, MS.</u>
October 15 &16, 2022

**2023 Texas SCV 126<sup>th</sup> Annual Reunion** June 2-4, 2023 MCM Elegante's, Lubbock, TX.

2023 SCV 128<sup>th</sup> Annual Reunion: July 19-22 at Arlington Hotel, Hot Springs Arkansas

We will be passing the Bucket at our meetings for the Flag replacement fund as they will need changing soon.



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#### **How Do I Join The Sons of Confederate Veterans?**

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