

# Mayes Chapel

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Dacus Family of  
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<u>PAGE</u>	<u>GROOM</u>	<u>BRIDE</u>
213	Wells, Wm. F. <i>buried at Bluffton Cem</i>	Mary J. Chestnut
217	White, John (Col.)	Harriett Barton (Col.)
220	Webb, H. W.	Elizabeth N. Williams
221	Williams, G.	Mary E. Cunningham
245	Williams, J. M.	Arabella Lacy
248	Williamson, A. D. F.	Sarah Williamson
90	Yearger, E. A.	E. A. Ainsworth

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- J. L. Mayes, 19 Sep 1824-10 Oct 1906
- Married M. E. Towles, 3 Jan 1850
- M. E. Mayes, 14 Sep 1830-27 Dec 1900
- Pierce Garrett, son of W. A. Fox  
12 Feb 1899- 1 Jun 1899
- Virgil Osgood Fox, 20 Jul 1895-20 May 1903
- Albert L. Fox, 7 Dec 1892-25 Jan 1914
- Syrena J.(Mayes)Fox, 5 May 1857-19 Dec 1926
- William A. Fox, 18 Jul 1846-19 Dec 1919
- John R. Mulligan, 14 Sep 1859-9 Feb 1921
- Mae Mulligan, 9 May 1882-
- Parents of Tommye Lewis (Irish) Rickerson
- Tommye Lewis, 17 Sep 1895-25 Mar 1916
- Wife of Robert Lewis, son of W. S. Lewis
- W. Scott Lewis, 18 Apr 1844-28 Apr 1915
- Son of Joseph D. Lewis
- Martha A. Lewis, 24 Sep 1851-12 Apr 1931
- Wife of W. Scott Lewis
- Mattie (Lewis) House 1875-1917
- Daughter of W. Scott Lewis
- Pearl House, 1901-1912 (Child)
- Granddaughter of W. Scott Lewis
- George House, 1871-1946
- Son-in-Law of W. Scott Lewis
- W. L. Cain, 7 Feb 1871-22 Mar 1932
- Son-in-Law of W. Scott Lewis
- Florence (Lewis) Cain, Daughter of W. Scott Lewis
- Cain, (Name etc. Unidentifiable)
- Cain, ( " " " )
- Mrs. M. A. Woods, 14 Jun 1821-24 Jan 1892
- Grandmother of Lee A. Woods
- Virgil Woods (Child) 31 Jul 1895-  
9 Aug 1896, Grandson of Jackson Lewis
- Lee Alexander Woods, 1871-26 Apr 1898
- Son-in-Law of Jackson Lewis
- Jackson Owen Lewis, 2 June 1836-6 May 1906, Son of Joseph D. Lewis
- Baby (Wagon train stopped over night-  
baby buried on Lewis Lot)
- 2 curbed graves
- 1 unmarked grave (Vicky Bohannon Summers-  
Anna Bohannon Mathews, Step daughters of  
Jackson Lewis)
- Rudasill- 8 Jun 1837-17 Apr 1892
- Ray Fenstamaker, 18 Feb 1886-5 Feb 1934
- Step Grandson of J. O. Lewis
- Bob Summers, (died) 11 Jan 1891, Stepson  
in Law of J. O. Lewis
- Benjamin Tinsley, 19 Mar 1849-8 Jun 1939
- Rachel Tinsley, 1851-1919
- William Irving Cornett, 1890-1899
- Grandson of J. O. Lewis
- Anna Mathews, 25 Oct 1860-14 Nov 1900
- Step Daughter of J. O. Lewis
- Anna Ellerzine Mathews (Bohannon)
- Step Daughter of J. O. Lewis
- Mr. A. Mathews-Step Son-in-Law of J.O.  
Lewis
- Sara Jane Mathews- Step Granddaughter of  
J. O. Lewis
- Callia Mathews-Step Granddaughter of J. O.  
Lewis

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John Nash, Co. C, 1st Texas Cavalry	5 graves unmarked
N. B. Freeman, 15 May 1853-15 Jan 1925	Lizzie Freeman, 8 Sep 1856-21 Mar 1935
Joe B. Freeman, 26 Jun 1875-6 Feb 1952	F. Franklin Freeman, 15 Aug 1818-26 Feb 1907
Sarah Franklin, 14 May 1821-30 May 1907	Nolan D. Freeman, 4 Jul 1886-6 Oct 1957
Lum Freeman (no marker) 8 Dec 1876-22 Jun 1913	John J. Jones, 8 Aug 1858-7 Aug 1934
Carlie M. Jones, 23 Jul 1860-27 Sep 1913	M. E. Buchanan, 21 Dec 1888-27 Apr 1904

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James Alexander Dacus, b. 17 Apr 1821, Tenn. married Martha Jane Barton 25 March 1840. Their children were:

Hiram	b. 18 Feb 1841	Danniel	b. 12 Jan 1853
Henry	b. 17 Jan 1843	Hezakiah	b. 20 Feb 1855
John	b. 12 Feb 1844	Sintha C.	b. 16 Mar 1859
William	b. 14 Nov 1845	Lucinda	b. 25 Jan 1859
Carell	b. 27 Sep 1847	Cazanna	b. 24 Jun 1861
Robert	b. 27 Apr 1849	James A.	b. Oct 1863
Mary E.	b. 5 Feb 1851	Joseph	b. 2 Nov 1865

Robert Dacus, b. 27 Apr 1849 married Katherine Dodson, Arkansas. Their children were:

Orville Elisha	b. 17 Aug 1870	Pearl	b. 18 Apr 1881
Nona	b. 1875	Kate	b. no date
Cass	b. 1875	George	b. Jul 1890
Eugene	b. 24 Oct 1878	Ina	b. no date

Orville Elisha Dacus, b. 17 Aug 1870, married Sallie Neal McCarley 3 Sep 1891, Ark. Their children were:

Cpha Sedalia	b. 21 Sep 1892	Orville Herman	b. 13 Sep 1903
Pearlie Nevert	b. 12 May 1894	Virgil Doyle	b. 15 Aug 1905
Ella Edna	b. 16 Jan 1896	Freeman Kirtley	b. 21 Jan 1908
Maymie Dee	b. 18 Aug 1899	Wilford Earlick	b. 5 Apr 1910
Velma Macie	b. 22 Aug 1901	Nettie Louise	b. 3 Jul 1913

Pearlie Nevert Dacus married Ernest Rutledge Neeper, 3 Dec 1916. Their children were:

Dan Nelson	b. 11 Jan 1918	Joe Vanoy	b. 30 Nov 1925
James Orville	b. 19 Jun 1919	Ernest Glenn	b. 10 Dec 1929
Wahmella	b. 10 Oct 1921	Billy Bun	b. 27 Oct 1938

James Alexander Dacus moved from Tennessee to Arkansas.

Robert Dacus lived in Arkansas all his life.

Orville Elisha Dacus moved from Arkansas to Texas.

Pearlie Nevert Dacus Neeper has lived in Texas all her life.

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Gleanings from The Llano News-May 19, 1932

Forty-three pupils were graduated from the grade school last night. Mackie Westerman gave the valedictory address with Ann Etta Moss, the salutatory. Others taking part in the program were Jack Howard, Lee Alice Parkhill, Walter Rabensburg and Eugen Miller.

Riley and Israel Harkey, brothers of W.J. Harkey, in 1854 went to San Saba County, Texas, in search of a location; returning to Arkansas they gave such glowing accounts of Texas that the whole of the Mathias Harkey family decided to move to that fair land. W. J. Harkey and family joined in with his father's family and they all moved to Texas, landing in San Saba county on Wallace Creek June 11, 1855.

The wife, Nancy J. Smith Harkey, was a native of Arkansas, born there July 30, 1831, deceased at home in San Saba county, Texas May 26, 1906.

W. J. Harkey purchased a fine tract of San Saba river bottom land on the south bank of the river, erected a home and moved his family to it and it was here that Billie and Nancy Harkey lived out their earthly days.

William J. Harkey and Nancy J. Smith Harkey had born to them eleven children, as follows: Lou Harkey, who married Gilbert Allen.

Israel Jeff Harkey, who married Trulove Cornett.

James M. Harkey, who married 1st Geraldine Kuykendall, 2nd Ann Prescott.

Vicy Harkey, who married Felix Swalles.

John Harkey, who married Laura Hamrick.

Hugh Harkey, who married Molly Whitehead.

Ellen Harkey, who married John Presswood.

Emma Harkey, who married Wallace Hawkins.

Thomas G. Harkey, who married Hortense Rue.

Henry W. Harkey, who married Iona Duncan.

Aline Harkey, who married Sam Stewart.

John Jackson Brown and Caroline Harkey Brown

John Jackson Brown came from Yell County, Arkansas in 1855 and settled at Richland Springs, San Saba County, Texas. In addition to building a house for his family home, he also erected a small shack for a blacksmith shop. Caroline Harkey Brown was the second child of Mathias and Caroline Harkey, and a native of North Carolina but an early immigrant to Little Rock, Arkansas, where she and John Jackson Brown were married a short time before they and the Mathias Harkeys came to Texas. Their children were:

Lavina Brown, who married Bob Duncan.

Polly Ann Brown, who married Alec Hall.

Jasper Brown, who married Clara Hutcheson.

Newton Brown, who married Ocelia Hyde.

Manervia Brown, who married James Fleming.

John Brown, who married Bell Hall.

Lawson Brown, who married Maud Terry.

Rebecca Brown, who married Doc Chapman.

George Brown, who married Dora Terry.

Elizabeth Brown, who married Giles Rountree.

Leah Brown, who married Perry Fleming.

The descendants of Jackson and Caroline Brown are numerous, and many of them live in the Richland Springs area.

In the book, Early Days in San Saba County, Texas, is an article on Newton Brown, the fourth child of Jackson and Caroline Brown.

Riley Harkey, 3rd child of Mathias and Catherine Harkey, was born in North Carolina near the present site of Charlotte, March 25, 1832, deceased January 5, 1920, buried in Odd Fellows (now San Saba City) Cemetery. With his parents in 1840, Riley Harkey moved to or near Little Rock, Arkansas, where the entire Mathias Harkey family remained until 1855 when they moved to San Saba County, Texas, and settled, the most them, on Wallace Creek.

Page 56--Lillian Paris at the Old Settlers' Reunion at San Saba in recent years. The Indians did not begin to disturb the white settlers until the year 1856 or 1858. The settlers on Cherokee and Rough creeks talked of making a fort, but the fort was never built. All the settlers who had horses went together and made a high picket pen at the Harrell place, and the men took time about at guarding on moonlight nights. This was not practical and the people drove their horses to South Texas and sold them. J. H. (Shorty) Brown of San Saba was the first Captain of the Home Guard. There were forty men in the Home Guard, four companies of ten men each. Each company stayed ten days, then they were relieved by another company. Cherokee and Rough Creek had their company of ten together. Sterling Houston was a lieutenant at Babyhead, in Llano County.

In the year 1869, Mrs. Pyatt and son Billie were about a mile from home after the milk cow when they discovered the Indians. They turned their horses and started for home. The boy's horse ran away, but ran by home. Unable to stop the horse, Billie called to his father who was on top of the house covering it with boards, "The Indians have killed Mother." Mr. Pyatt did not remember how he got down from the house top, but he ran to the cow lot some distance from the house, where Mrs. Pyatt's horse had fallen with her. She had become so tangled in her riding skirt that she was unable to rise. An Indian getting down from his horse, laughingly caught her, but looking up and seeing Mr. Pyatt coming with a gun, he fled. The Indian had first shot at Mrs. Pyatt. The arrow passing through her bonnet. He then tried to rope her but she threw her hand up and cast the rope off. The arrow is still in the family.

In the next raid Abner Gregg was killed, Sept. 10, 1872. He was the grandfather of W. H. Gregg, who lives on Rough Creek, not so very far from where his grandfather was killed. Mr. Gregg lived on Rough Creek and was going to Mr. Reubin Cornett's. It was the custom then that when a man was called away from home overnight, for some neighbors to stay with his family, and Mr. Cornett had asked Mr. Gregg to come and spend the night with his family, as he had to go to Cherokee. On the way he met Jack Dawson and another boy and they told him that the Indians were in the county, and as he went on he came upon the Indians and was killed. His horse and clothing were taken but he was not scalped. These Indians used guns.

Another incident occurred when Billie and Sampson Cole had been to the salt works at the mouth of Cherokee in Lampasas County after salt. This was during the Civil War. They had pack horses loaded with salt and on their way home, while in what is now the Hick's pasture, they heard something that sounded like a turkey gobbler. One of them asked the other, "Did you hear that turkey?" The reply came, "Yes, but it was not a turkey." The Indians attacked them. They quit their horses and ran into a thicket. Sampson was wounded and one Indian was killed, but was carried away by his men. Years later an Indian skeleton was found with bow and arrow by Bill Graves in a cave some distance from this battle ground, but in the direction in which the Indians had retreated. Billie Cole walked to what is now known as the McLaughlin place, now owned by M. E. Millican, and returned in a wagon that night for his wounded brother. The salt had been poured out by the Indians and they had taken all the horses, saddles and sacks. The Coles settled the McLaughlin place. Billie was a bachelor and lived with Sampson, who had a family.

Another incident concerned Rev. Jim Kelley, a Methodist preacher, and his son, who lived on the river near E. M. Boyett; they were cow hunters near J. B. Harrell. They got down off their horses at Coffey Springs to drink. Indians rushed down on them. They jumped on their horses and made for the Harrell house. The Indians ran them within sight of the house. Mr. Kelley whipped the boy's horse all the way with his hat for fear the boy would be captured.

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