



# TARRANT COUNTY TXGENWEB

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## Civil War Veterans of Northeast Tarrant County

### Calloway L. Hurst

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Calloway L. Hurst's Confederate military service is confirmed by his veterans administration gravestone in Grapevine Cemetery and by an affidavit he made attesting to the service of one of his brothers who served in the same company and regiment with him.

Calloway L. Hurst was born in Claiborne County, Tennessee on November 12, 1834. He was the son of William "Trigger Bill" Hurst and his wife, Sarah "Sallie" Southern.

Calloway Hurst served as a Confederate soldier in Co., A, 63<sup>rd</sup> Tennessee Infantry. Several different dates and places are shown in his official records. Some records say he enlisted at Cumberland Gap, Tennessee on May 1, 1863 under Captain Fulkerson for the term of the War. Another record shows he enlisted on April 14 (the year is not legible) at Tazewell, Claiborne County, Tennessee, by John Day for a period of three years. Another record says he enlisted at Knoxville on April 14, 1863 under Captain Fulkerson. Another record says he enlisted August 30, 1863 at Cumberland Gap under Captain Fulkerson.

Several hospital stays are also shown in his records. During the months of May and June, 1863, he was absent in a hospital in Knoxville by order of the post surgeon. On August 21, 1863, he was left in a military hospital at Strawberry Plains, Tennessee. Another record shows him to be in a hospital at Abingdon, Virginia on the same date. A muster roll for November and December, 1863, shows that he was still in the hospital at Abingdon.

For the rolls dated January and February, 1864, he is shown present. He was wounded at Drewry's Bluff, Virginia on May 16, 1864. He was admitted to the General Hospital at Howard's Grove in Richmond, Virginia; he was furloughed for thirty days from there on July 19, 1864. On December 3, 1864, he was paid an enlistment bounty of \$88.86 by T. L. Brown. On April 27, 1865, as a prisoner of war he was paroled at Cumberland Gap to go to Claiborne County, Tennessee by Col. William Y. Dillard of the 34th Kentucky Volunteer Infantry.

Calloway Hurst married Martha Emmaline Sanders, a daughter of Wiley Sanders and his second wife, Lucinda Wallas. Martha was born about 1840 in Claiborne County, Tennessee and died about 1920. The Grapevine Historical Society's Grapevine Area History (1979) contains articles about several of Wiley Sanders' children and their spouses who eventually settled in Tarrant and Dallas Counties. It also contains a large photograph of the home of Cal Hurst, with Mr. and Mrs. Hurst and several of their family members and boarders shown standing on the upper and lower porches. A mineral spring flowed behind the Hursts' home on Grapevine Prairie, and visitors often came there to take the water.

Some family sources say that Calloway Hurst was a Baptist minister, and that he was licensed to preach in Sycamore Mississippi in 1853 at 19 years of age. They also suggest that he attended Carson Newman College in Tennessee later but in 1874 was ordained for the ministry at New Providence Church in Mississippi. We would be pleased to add more information to this chapter of Calloway Hurst's life, including documentation as to how it is known that the man in Mississippi and the Calloway Hurst who later lived in the Grapevine area were the same man.



When the 1860 census was taken, Calloway Hurst, his wife, and oldest son, William Ellison Hurst (b. c.1858) were living in Claiborne County, Tennessee. Ten years later, in 1870, they were still

there, and had one William R. Hurst (born about 1854 in Texas) with them. When the census was taken in 1910, Mrs. Hurst said she had given birth to only two children, and that only one of them [William Ellison Hurst] was still living.

By 1880, the family had settled in Dallas County, Texas, and in addition to their son, William E. Hurst, they also had living with them a niece, Mary Hurst (born about 1865) and Mrs. Hurst's mother-in-law, Lucinda Saunders (1819-1893). Calloway Hurst and his wife appear in the Dallas County censuses for 1900, 1910, and 1920. They lived only a few hundred yards east of the Tarrant County line, just south of the railroad, west of Coppell. Neither he nor his wife was pensioned by the State of Texas for his Confederate service.

Information found on the Claiborne County, Tennessee Pioneers Project indicates that Calloway Hurst died on April 27, 1921. Neither Mr. nor Mrs. Hurst has a Texas death certificate on file in Austin. Martha E. (Saunders) Hurst does not have a grave marker beside Calloway Hurst's in Grapevine Cemetery, and Mr. Hurst's does not show the dates of his birth or death.

