



# TARRANT COUNTY

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## Civil War Veterans of Northeast Tarrant County

### Francis Marion Stanford

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Francis Marion Stanford was a veteran of a Georgia infantry regiment who lived in the Euless-Bedford area of Tarrant County for a few years around 1880. He moved from here to Wise County where he lived several years, and finally died at Estelline in Hall County, Texas.

Family sources at ancestry.com say Mr. Stanford was born in Gwinnett County, Georgia on September 15, 1831. There is a difference of opinion among the internet researchers about his parentage.

F. M. Stanford appears in the 1853 tax list of Carroll County, Georgia. Haralson County, where the family lived in 1860, was formed in 1856 from portions of Polk County and Carroll Counties. Polk County was formed in 1851 from portions of Paulding and Floyd Counties.

Family sources say Mr. Stanford married Delila Ann McAdams on December 25, 1851 in Paulding County, Georgia. [The marriage does not appear in online transcriptions of the marriages of Paulding or Carroll Counties, Georgia.] She was born March 9, 1834 in Georgia and died at Azle in Parker County, Texas on May 15, 1919. Her death certificate ways the cause of death was "sudden death and had no medical attendant, old age." She was a daughter of Henry C. McAdams and Elender Lowell McAdams, both of whom died in Paulding County, Georgia. She was buried in Union Grove Cemetery (also known as Jay Bird Cemetery) in Parker County, Texas.

When the 1860 census was taken, "Marion" Stanford and his wife and children were living in Haralson County, Georgia's District 4. Mrs. Delilah Stanford said she was twenty-six years old. They had the following children with them: Greenberry, Martha J, Sarah S. and Mary E., Texanner, and Emmaline Stanford.

Mr. Stanford served the Confederacy as an infantryman from Georgia. His name appears as a recruit on a roll made for the period May 31 to August 31, 1861. He enlisted at Dallas, Georgia on August 17, 1861 in Co. C, 7<sup>th</sup> Georgia Infantry for a term of twelve months. He was sent sick to the hospital at Front Royal, Virginia on February 8, 1862, and a roll made for March and April of that year shows him still there. He was still there at the end of June, 1862.

One record says he was discharged on September 1, 1862 and final statements were given. A regimental return for February 1862 shows him to have been in the hospital at Manassas; he was still there in March. A roll made in April 1862 shows him sick in Richmond.

Another record shows him to have been discharged July 16, 1862. A register of the CSA General Hospital at Danville, Virginia shows him to have been discharged from the hospital on July 9, 1862. He was there for treatment of debilitis, which was chronic dysentery or diarrhea.

By the time the 1870 census was taken, the Stanford's had immigrated to Texas and were living in Precinct 5 of Dallas County, Texas. Mr. and Mrs. Stanford had with them Greenberry, Martha J., Sarah S and Mary E., Texana, Emaline, Lucy A., George S., Austin G., and Lida B. Stanford.

Judging from the birthplaces of the children as shown in this census, they must have left Georgia around 1864 and moved for a short time to Iowa, where George S. Stanford was born. By about 1867 they had arrived in Texas, where all their younger children were born.

Judging from the names of his neighbors in the 1880 Tarrant County census, Mr. Stanford probably lived in the Euless-Bedford-Mosier Valley area of northeast Tarrant County when the census was taken.

They appear here in Precinct 3 of the 1880 census with three more children who had been born since 1870....Francis Marion Stanford, Jr., Delilah S. Stanford, and Richmon Stanford. Mr. Stanford does not appear in the 1880 Tarrant County tax lists as the owner of any real estate.

The 1900 census taker found the family in Wise County's Precinct 4. Their son, Richmon D. Stanford (born in February 1878) and his wife, Ellin (born in April 1884) were living in the same household with them.

Mr. Stanford applied for a Confederate pension on June 27, 1900 while he lived at Opal in Wise County, Texas. He said he had lived at Opal for two years. He claimed to be sixty-nine years old and in bad health due to exposure during the War. He was a soldier in Co. C, 7<sup>th</sup> Georgia Infantry for fourteen months. He said he came to Texas about 1870. He owned two mules and a wagon, worth one hundred to one hundred ten dollars for the lot. The physician who examined him said he suffered from enlargement of the prostate gland, rheumatism, and another ailment which is not legible on the form. Nothing further is to be found in his pension application.

Mr. Stanford died suddenly from a paralytic stroke at 3 p.m. on January 21, 1907. He was at his home at Estelline, Hall County, Texas. His death certificate cites as a contributory cause another

paralytic stroke about 1901 or 1902 during which he was injured. He was seventy-five years and four months of age when he died.

According to a statement Mrs. Stanford made to the census taker in 1900, she gave birth to fifteen children, only nine of whom survived to 1900. The list would include Greenberry Stanford, Martha J. Stanford, Mary S. Stanford, Sarah E. Stanford, Texanna Stanford, Emmaline Stanford, Lucy A. Stanford, George S. Stanford, Austin G. Stanford, Lida B. Stanford, Francis Marion Stanford Jr., Delilah S. Stanford, and Richmond Denton Stanford. There must have been two others who were born and died within the census years for which records have survived.

Greenberry Stanford was born November 7, 1852 and died July 7, 1904. He married Emaline Myrick. He and his family lived next-door to his parents in Tarrant County in 1880. By 1900 they had moved to Precinct 3 of neighboring Johnson County, Texas. Interestingly, Mr. Stanford had a son born in 1890 whom he named Comanche Stanford.

Martha Jane Stanford was born April 29, 1854. She died April 24, 1899 in Jackson County, Oklahoma.

Mary S. Stanford and Sarah E. Stanford were born about 1857. They may have been twins. Both were still with the family when the 1870 census was taken.

Neither was with the family in the 1880 census.

Texanna Octavia Stanford was born in Georgia on May 15, 1858. She married Robert E. Ferris (1856-1906) and had at least eight children. She died at Euless in Tarrant County on March 4, 1893. She has a readable headstone in Calloway Cemetery in Euless.

Emmaline Narcisus Stanford was born February 11, 1860. She married Sterling Cox in Tarrant County on October 9, 1881. She died on December 17, 1934 in Springtown in Parker County, Texas, and was buried in Springtown Cemetery.

Lucy A. Stanford was born about 1863. One Lucy A. Stanford married Elonzo Edmonds in Tarrant County on September 12, 1880, but we have not been able to confirm that this is the marriage of F. M. Stanford's daughter.

George Samuel Stanford was born in Iowa on February 14, 1865. He married Elizabeth Preece in Travis County, Texas on January 7, 1885. He died in Travis County, Texas on January 3, 1900.

Austin G. Stanford was born about 1867. He was still with the family in 1880.

Lida B. Stanford was born in October, 1869. She was with the family when the 1880 census was taken.

Francis Marion Stanford, Jr. was born March 4, 1872. He died at Newark in Tarrant County, Texas on June 29, 1926. He was buried in Jay Bird Cemetery in Parker County, Texas. He left a widow, Nettie (Beasley) Stanford (1874-1936).

Delilah S. Stanford was born about 1874. She was with the family when the 1880 census was taken.

Richmond Denton Stanford was born February 25, 1878. He married Marie Ellen Monk in Tarrant County on March 27, 1900. In 1918 he was living in Bryan County, Oklahoma.