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Civil War Veterans of Northeast Tarrant County

John George Valentine

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John George Valentine was born in January 1843 (the 1900 census says January 1842) in Franklin County, Missouri. He was a son of Eli and Nancy Valentine. Along with his brother, Benjamin J. Valentine, John served in the Confederate army in Co. I, 4th Missouri Cavalry.

John's wife, Mary Dee Elkins, was born about 1854 in Anna, Union County, Illinois to Benjamin P. Elkins and his wife, Angeline C. William. They were married about 1869. Her mother, Angeline Elkins, was living with the family here in Northeast Tarrant County in 1880. Valentine and his family arrived in Precinct 3 of Tarrant County about 1867, based upon information he supplied when he registered to vote here in 1869.

They appear in the Tarrant County censuses for both 1870 and 1880; in 1880, they lived in Precinct 3 north of Big Bear Creek. In 1900 they were living in the Hood Cemetery area of Tarrant County. His home appears on the 1895 Sam Street Map of Tarrant County. In modern-day terms, it sat in the northeast corner of the intersection of White's Chapel Road and Dove Road in Southlake.

Family sources at ancestry.com say Mrs. Valentine died in 1902 at Grapevine. She and at least one of her children have readable headstones in Hood Cemetery. Neither Mr. nor Mrs. Valentine has an obituary printed in any surviving issue of the Grapevine Sun. It seems likely that he is buried in an unmarked grave with his other family members in Hood Cemetery. The death record for one J. E. Valentine recorded in Tarrant County in 1916 does not refer to this John G. Valentine.

In 1900, Mrs. Valentine said she had given birth to nine children, seven of whom were still living. They included Benjamin E. Valentine (born April 1870), John J. Valentine (born about 1872), Nancy A. Valentine (born about 1874), Louisa M. Valentine (born about 1879), Victor Valentine (born February 1883), Martha D. Valentine (b. Nov. 15, 1884 and married to James Jackson Parker) and Willie Valentine (born November 1889). There are other burials with initials only on their headstones at Hood Cemetery which may be some of John G. Valentine's children.



Mr. and Mrs. John George Valentine

