



FORWARDING OUR FATHERS' FLAGS



Deo Vindice

July 2024

Williamson County Grays, Camp #502

Commander's Comments

Compatriots & Friends of the Williamson County Grays,

We've started this newsletter to compliment communications with the Camp members, especially those who can't make the meetings. Since I joined the Camp, there have been about 10 dues-paying members that I have never met. I would like to include them in fellowship even if they can't make the meetings. We are a small group who are preserving the true history of Texas and the South and, thereby, preserving American Culture, Traditions, and Principles. The essence of Americanism is our Southern Heritage which has given us a foundation to be friends, share a meal, care about each other, and learn our history. It's pretty obvious that this culture is under attack by those who would make us ashamed of our ancestors and the country they built. If our CSA ancestors had won their Independence, the Constitution they inherited from the Founding Fathers would have remained intact and the corruptions of the central government that we are now experiencing would not be happening. Well, anyway, if there is anything y'all want to add to future newsletters, just jump in with it. We will be asking for your ancestors' information at the next meeting or you can e-mail it to Miss Teresa at tchapman3142@gmail.com.

Lee Wallace - Camp Commander

Honoring Our Camp Heroes

This month we honor the bravery and sacrifices of one of our own.

Tracy Wallace's CSA ancestors.

Name: William Bailey Cross

Rank: Corporal

Unit: 18th Texas Cavalry

Battles or interesting fact:

Arkansas Post and Mansfield

Name: Thomas Wallace

Rank: Private

Unit: 4th Missouri Cavalry

Ladies Corner



1st Lt. Commander Billy Ayers and his lovely lady Cheryl, said "I do" on March 16th, 2024. We wish them a long and happy life together!



Ask the Colonel

July's Question

**How will you
celebrate the
Fourth of July?**

This Fourth of July, I will join the Williamson County Grays on the front line of defending our Southern heritage by being at the Georgetown Square in front of our historic Memorial. We view this effort as a crucial battle to preserve our unique cultural integrity and historical accuracy. From cherished family traditions to historic monuments and symbols, we believe these elements represent the bravery and resilience of our ancestors. Standing on the front line means ensuring that the rich, multifaceted history of the South is honored and remembered, not erased or oversimplified, in the face of modern reinterpretations and societal changes. Once upon a time, our ancestors stood on the frontline to defend our homeland. This Fourth of July, the Williamson County Grays will also and I will be there with them. After all, the 4th is for Southerners, too.

RECENT HAPPENINGS



Happy Confederate History and Heritage Month

- CSA Veteran Grave Flagging - Oddfellows Cemetery
- MCJROTC Event - Hendrickson High School, Pflugerville
- Iron Cross Dedications (5) - Burnet
- Texas Division Reunion - San Antonio
- President Jefferson Davis Birthday Observance - 3 June
- Texas Division Picnic - Blanco State Park
- Texas Memorial Dedication - Franklin, Tennessee

New Camp Flag

Details of our new camp flag. Our Camp Name and Number. Our Texas Star in the Center.

Our Slogan based on our Memorial Preservation efforts. Incorporates the colors of all 3 CSA Army Branches: Blue - Infantry, Red - Artillery, Yellow - Cavalry.



ON GOING PROJECTS



Billy Ayers continues to restore UDC markers in various cemeteries around Williamson County

CONFEDERATE ART & WRITING

The Sons of Confederate Veterans *by John May (50th SCU Commander-in-Chief)*

Stalwart sons of stalwart men
Standing for the Cause of Sixty
Loyal sons of loyal men
Standing up for Dixie

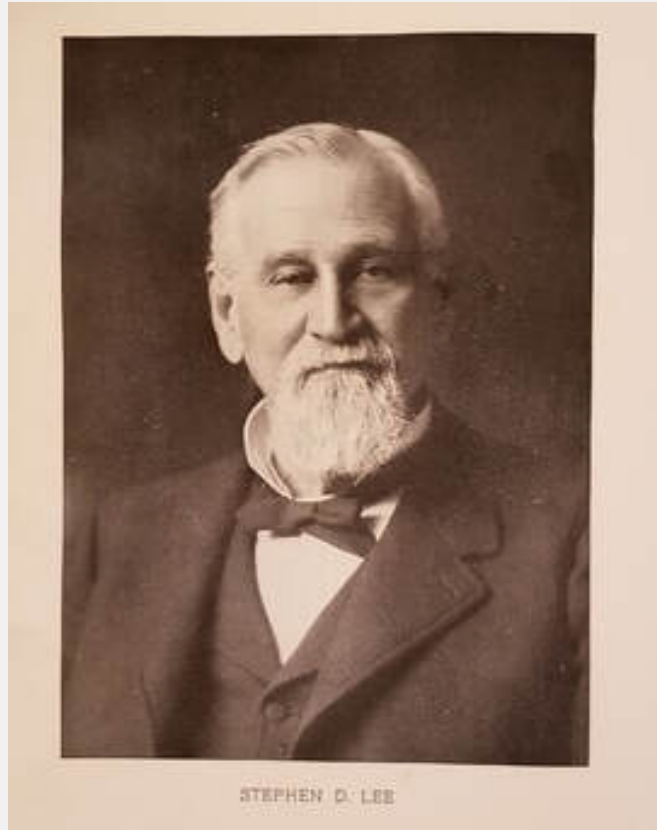
Noble men of noble sires
Carrying on tradition,
Loyal sons of loyal men
Filling their position

Southern sons of Southern heroes
Fighting for the right,
Loyal sons of loyal men
Ready for the fight

Bravest sons of bravest men
Facing problems of today,
loyal sons of loyal men
Shirking not the fray

Stalwart, Noble, Southern, Brave
Sons of men who wore the Gray
Loyal sons of loyal men
Ready at their post today

THE CHARGE



“To you, Sons of Confederate Veterans, we will commit the vindication of the Cause for which we fought. To your strength will be given the defense of the Confederate Soldier’s good name, the guardianship of his history, the emulation of his virtues, the perpetuation of those principles which he loved and which you love also, and those ideals which made him glorious and which you also cherish.”