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Civil War Veterans of Northeast Tarrant County

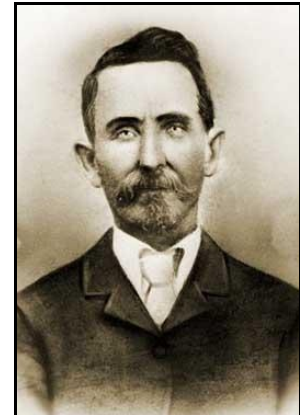
Daniel Webster Boon

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Daniel Webster Boon was a Confederate veteran who lived for many years in the Keller area. He was a direct descendant of a brother of the famous frontiersman of the same name. His older brother, John, was also one of our veterans, as was his brother-in-law, John Tarwater.

Members of this family used both “Boon” and “Boone” as their surname. This soldier’s father has a homemade sandstone headstone in Smithfield Cemetery which very clearly says “Daniel Boone.” It was made in 1933 by one of the elder Daniel’s great-grandsons, Guy Tarwater.

The soldier’s headstone in Mount Olivet Cemetery says “Daniel Boon,” while some of his children’s headstones in the same cemetery use the “e” on the end of their names. Many genealogists have posted information on this family at ancestry.com.



Daniel Webster Boon

Daniel Boon was born in Missouri on December 14, 1846. He was probably born in Gasconde County, Missouri, where descendants report his parents were married on July 9, 1837. He was a son of Daniel Boone and Judah (Judith) Helton, who later became early settlers in the Smithfield area of Tarrant County. Daniel Boone, Sr. and several members of the Helton family are listed there in the 1840 census.

Around 1850 the elder Daniel moved his family from Missouri to Texas. They appear in the 1850 census of Grayson County, Texas. Daniel Jr. appears as a boy two years of age. When the 1860 census was taken, they were living in Denton County, Texas; Daniel Jr. is shown as a fourteen-year-old boy.

Daniel Boon registered to vote in Tarrant County on August 23, 1867. He said he had been a resident of Texas for twenty years and a resident of Precinct 4 in Tarrant County for four years.

Daniel Boon married Mary Flannagin, a daughter of William Flannagin, who lies buried in Bourland Cemetery in Keller, Texas. Her death certificate shows she was born in Mississippi on April 2, 1859. Mary was probably born in Pontotoc County, Mississippi, where her parents and siblings appear in the 1860 census. Nancy A. Flannagin is shown as the wife in that family.



Mrs. Daniel W. Boon

In 1880 the census taker found Daniel and his new wife living in Tarrant County's Precinct 4 next-door to the family of his older brother, John Boon. They had no children with them.

Daniel's home is shown on the 1895 Sam Street map of Tarrant County. It appears north-northwest of the old residential district of Keller, roughly (in modern-day terms) in the center of the area bounded by Keller-Haslet Road on the north, Highway 377 on the east, Caylor Road North on the west, and Caylor Road West on the south.

Mr. Boone and his family were listed in the 1900 census at Keller, Tarrant County. Mrs. Boone said she had given birth to six children, all of whom were still alive. The children with them in that year were Sumpter, Roxie A., Louis B., Allie B., Emmitt L. and Matie M. Boon.

Ten years later, in 1910, they still lived in the Keller area. Mrs. Boon said she had given birth to seven children, and all were alive. The children with them in that year were Emmitt, Madia, and Flora Boon.

Daniel Boon's death certificate shows that he died at Keller, Tarrant County, at 6 p.m. on May 7, 1920. He died of a paralytic stroke caused by a blood clot in his brain. He lingered for only one day. He was buried in Mount Olivet Cemetery on the next day. The certificate shows his birth date as December 14, 1844. His wife survived him.

An obituary for Mr. Boon appeared on May 15, 1920 in the *Grapevine Sun*: "*D. W. Boone Passes Away. The shadowing Providence of our Heavenly Father fell over the home of Mrs. Mary Boone at Keller... [illegible]... away the spirit of Daniel Webster Boone: a father and husband; to dwell in that Heavenly Home. He was 74 years, 4 months, and 3 days old. During these years he had wound around his life the love and friendship of all who knew him. He was a loving father and affectionate husband. It is true that we will miss him, but we have one comforting thought when we come to realize that while they cannot come back to us, we can go to them. He leaves to grieve a wife and six children, Flora and Sumpter Boone of Keller, Mrs. Niely of Roanoke, Mrs. R. O. Coldwell of South Maid, E. L. Boone of Fort Worth, and Burton Boone of Burkburnett, and a host of friends. Funeral services were conducted at the First Christian Church of Keller, after which the remains were laid to rest in Mt. Olive Cemetery Saturday afternoon.*"

Daniel's wife, Mary, applied for a Confederate widow's pension in 1930. She said she was seventy-one years old and a native of Mississippi. She said she came to Texas when she was about eight years old, hence about 1867. Her address when she applied was 2314 Refugio Street in Fort Worth. She said she thought her husband served in a cavalry regiment, possibly the 6th regiment. She married Mr. Boone in Tarrant County on December 23, 1879. She very clearly signed the application "Mary Boone." It appears that some of the paperwork Mrs. Boon(e) submitted is no longer in her file, since she was granted the pension and no supporting evidence of his service remains in it.

She died in Baptist Hospital in Fort Worth at 7 p.m. on June 13, 1936. The cause of death was stomach cancer and incidental internal hemorrhaging. She was buried in Mount Olivet Cemetery on June 15. Her death certificate shows her parents as W. M. Flanigan and Sarah Gray, both natives of Mississippi.

Mrs. Boone's file contains a mortuary warrant which says she died June 13, 1936 in the Baptist Hospital in Fort Worth. Dr. A. L. McElroy said she died from shock from internal hemorrhage caused on cancer of the stomach lining. An obituary for her appeared in the *Fort Worth Star-Telegram* on June 15, 1936: "*BOONE, MRS. MARY, 77, pioneer resident of Tarrant County, died Saturday night at a local hospital. Survivors are six children: Sumpter K. Boone, Mrs. Roxie Neely and Emmett Boone, of Fort Worth, Benton Boone of Ada, Okla., Mrs. Madie Caldwell of Gladewater, and Mrs. Flora Rogers of Long Beach, Cal.; 24 grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren. Services will be Monday, 2 p.m. at the Church of Christ, corner of Ave. I and Little St. She had been a member of this church for 9 years. Elder Roy Lanier, pastor, will officiate. Burial will be in Mount Olivet. Pallbearers will be six nephews, Orville Boone, Lester Boone, Daniel Boone, and E. L. Boone, Jr., R. O. Caldwell, and Walter Neely. Lucas Riverside in charge of arrangements.*"

According to a statement Mrs. Boone made to the census taker in 1910, she gave birth to seven children. They were Sumpter K. Boon, Roxie A. Boon, Louis B. Boon, Allie B. Boon, Emmit L. Boone, Madie D. Boon, and Flora W. Boon. The following data on these children is obtained from postings at ancestry.com made by family members, from headstone, census records, and death certificates.

One of the children was Sumpter Kelly Boone who was born at Keller on October 3, 1880 (his headstone says 1881, and uses the "Boone" surname). He worked for several years as a retail lumber dealer. He died at his home at 837 Davis Street in Fort Worth on August 21, 1938 (his headstone says August 20). He was survived by his wife, Callie (Neely) Boone. Her headstone gives her dates of birth and death as January 19, 1884 (her death certificate says 1874) and February 5, 1955. He and his wife lie buried in Mount Olivet Cemetery.

Roxie Annis Boone was born March 14, 1883. She married Edward C. Neely (1879-1942) in Tarrant County on August 18, 1901. She died October 20, 1945 in Fort Worth. She and her husband lie buried in Mount Olivet Cemetery.

Louis Benton Boone was born in July 6, 1886. He died April 26, 1958. When his father died in 1920, Benton Boone was living in Burkburnett, Texas.

Allie Bell Boone Hardesty was born September 8 or March 4, 1889. She died October 7, 1910 at her home in Fort Worth at 1013 East Hattie Street. The cause of death was "tuberculosis of the bowels." She was buried in Birdville Cemetery.

Emmette Luther Boone was born March 31, 1894. He died in Baptist Hospital in Fort Worth on March 7, 1937. His last permanent residence was 1112 Cleckler Avenue in Fort Worth. He was survived by his wife, Florence P. Boone (1894-1976). He was buried in Mount Olivet Cemetery. His headstone uses the "Boone" surname.

One of the children was Madie Derilla Myrtle Boone Caldwell, who was born at Keller on January 18, 1898. Her last permanent residence was 119 Gay Avenue in Gladewater, Texas. She died in

the Good Shepherd Hospital in Longview, Gregg County, Texas on March 8, 1972. She was buried in Gladewater Memorial Park. She married Ralph Caldwell on June 6, 1916.

Flora Tina Wortha Boone Rogers was born June 28, 1900. She died in Los Angeles, California on March 30, 1994. Both dates are from records placed by family members at Ancestry.com.

