



# TARRANT COUNTY

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## Civil War Veterans of Northeast Tarrant County

### Bailey P. Payne

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Bailey P. Payne was born October 7, 1842 in Smith County, Tennessee, a son of Larkin Payne and his wife, Jane (Sutton) Payne. About 1852 Payne moved to Dade County, Georgia with his parents and siblings.

Payne served in the Confederate Army in Co. B, 61<sup>st</sup> Georgia Infantry, the “Tattnall Rangers.” Official records say he enlisted May 27, 1861 at Atlanta, and was discharged on December 10, 1861. He reenlisted in same organization August 1, 1862 at Chattanooga, Tennessee. Payne told pension commissioners he served until the close of the war, and was a prisoner at the time of the surrender. He also said he served first in the infantry, and was later transferred to General Joseph Wheeler’s headquarters scouts. He came to Texas in November, 1869.

Payne married Apolonia Nash, a daughter of Thomas Jefferson Nash, whose home still stands in Grapevine north of Highway 26. She was born September 26, 1849 in Lebanon, Kentucky, and died in Grapevine in 1925. In 1895 Payne lived in present-day Grapevine near the southwest corner of the Ambrose Foster survey, inside the top of the angle formed by State Highway 26 on the northwest and State Highway 114 on the northeast, and probably about 3/8 mile due south of their intersection. When asked by the 1910 census taker, Mrs. Payne said she had given birth to five children, two of whom were still living.

He died January 8, 1930 at the home of his son, Larkin Payne, near Grapevine. He lies buried in Grapevine Cemetery. His five children were Cora Lee, Larkin, Elizabeth, Thomas W., and Clint Payne. The last two died in early childhood, and are buried on their grandfather Nash’s farm in Grapevine.

An obituary for him appeared in The Grapevine Sun: “Mr. B. P. Payne died at his home 3 miles northwest of Grapevine last Wednesday morning. Mr. Payne was born in Tennessee, Oct. 7, 1842, coming to Texas when \_\_\_ years of age and has lived here 58 years. He is survived by two children,

*Mrs. Lizzie Wakefield of Fort Worth, and Larkin Payne of this place. Funeral services will be held today (Thursday) at the Christian Church at 2 p.m.”*



B. O. Payne