

CLELENS, JOSH - The compiler is responsible for the name Josh Clelens being listed on the bronze plaque in the San Jacinto monument as James Cellum. He now (March 26, 1941) thinks that the name should be listed as Josh Clelens.

The name Josh Clelens is shown on page 28 of the booklet printed in 1836 containing the names of the men who participated in the battle of San Jacinto as a member of Captain William Kimbro's company of "San Augustine Volunteers". On page 39 of the Land Office rolls the name is shown as Josh Clellans. No one by the name of Clelens or Clellans received land grants from the Mexican Government or received headright, bounty or donation land from the Republic of Texas.

There was a James Cellum who received a headright certificate for a league and labor of land, February 1, 1838 from the San Augustine County Board of Land Commissioners and who on January 23, 1838 was issued Donation Certificate No. 2027 for 320 acres of land for having served in the army from April 1 to July 24, 1836, but who did not receive a donation certificate for having participated in the battle of San Jacinto. While the names Clenans, Clellans, and Cellum are somewhat similar and while Mr. Cellum resided in the Municipality in which Captain Kimbro's company was recruited, the compiler does not feel safe in assuming that it was Mr. Cellum who fought at San Jacinto.