

DALLAS, WALTER RIDDLE — Born in Pittsburg, Pennsylvania, in 1816, a son of James Loraine and Elizabeth (Reid) Dallas. The Dallas and Clemmons families came to Texas in 1833 in covered wagons and settled in what is now Washington County. In the headright certificate issued to W. R. Dallas February 1, 1838 for one-third of a league of land by the Board of Land Commissioners for Washington County it is simply stated that he had arrived in Texas prior to May 2, 1835. He was a member of Captain William W. Hill's Company at San Jacinto and on September 26, 1838, he was issued Donation Certificate No. 558 for 640 acres of land for having participated in the battle. On May 17, 1838, he received Bounty Certificate No. 3417 for 320 acres of land for having served in the army from March 1 to June 1, 1836. On an original muster roll of Captain Hill's Company, Mr. Dallas is described as being five feet, eight inches in height; of dark complexion, with black hair and black eyes. He was recruited as Asa Mitchell's by Captain Joseph P. Lynch.

Mrs. William E. Dyer, Houston, daughter of James Loraine Dallas, brother of Walter R. Dallas, stated that James L. and Walter R. Dallas were half cousins of George Mifflin Dallas. Their paternal ancestor James Dallas of St. Martins Scotland was married twice. His first wife was Elizabeth Riddle. James Loraine, Sr. father of Walter Riddle and James Loraine, Jr. was a son of this marriage. The second wife of James Dallas was Barbara Cockburn, and Alexander James Dallas was a son of this union. George Mifflin Dallas was a son of Alexander James Dallas.

Mr. Walter R. Dallas was married to Mary Ann Pitts January 15, 1855. Mr. Dallas died near William Penn, Washington, County in 1847. His widow was appointed administratrix of his estate on September 27, 1847.

James Lorraine Dallas, a brother of Walter R. Dallas, was married to Mary Virginia Cooper on October 16, 1841.

Alexander J. Dallas was married to Tabetha Wills January 10, 1841.

John P. Dallas was married to M. F. Drain.

John D. Pitts was married to Catherine C. Dallas, February 21, 1848.