

PARKER, DICKERSON - The compiler is responsible for having the name Dickinson Parker put on the bronze plaque in the memorial tower on the San Jacinto battlefield and on the monument erected at the grave of Mr. Parker in Houston County. Altho the name Dickinson Parker appears on the official San Jacinto rolls printed in a booklet in 1836 the correct name is Dickerson Parker.

Mr. Parker was born in Tennessee, May 29, 1812, a son of Reverend Daniel and Patsy (Dickerson) Parker. On June 9, 1835 he received title to one-fourth of a league of land in Burnet's Colony, situated in the present county of Anderson. In the headright certificate issued to Dickerson Parker February 15, 1838 for three-fourths of a league and one labor of land by the Bord of Land Commissioners for Houston County it is stated that he came to Texas in 1833. Mr. Parker was a member of Captain Hayden Arnold's Nacogdoches Company at the battle of San Jacinto and on November 18, 1839 Donation Certificate No. 948 for 640 acres of land was issued in the name of Dickerson Parker, due him for having participated in the battle. Bounty Certificate No. 9298 for 320 acres of land was issued on the same date to Dickerson Parker, due him for having served in the army from March 8 to May 30, 1836.

Mr. Parker was married to Lucinda Eaton October 1, 1837. Mr. Parker died August 1, 1844. Mrs. Parker was born January 14, 1820 and died January 27, 1847. The State of Texas had a joint monument erected at their graves in the Parker family cemetery near Elkhart, Houston County in 1936.

Children of Mr. and Mrs. Parker were (1) John, (2) Ira, (3) Ben and (4) Mary Ann Parker.

(1) John Parker was married to Lucinda E. Rossom. Their children were (a) Ben. J. (b) Texas Iciphena, (c) Irene, (d) Lucinda, (e) Nannie, (f) Laura.

(a) Ben J. Parker resides at Elkhart

(b) Texas Iciphena Parker was married to W. J. Kennedy. Both are deceased.

(c) Irene Parker was married to S. J. Bennett. Mr. and Mrs. Bennett reside at Elkhart.

(d) Lucinda Parker was married to E. A. Brown. Mr. and Mrs. Brown reside at Elkhart.

(e) Nannie Parker was married to Lewis Wahling. Mr. and Mrs. Wahling reside in Muskogee, Oklahoma.

(f) Laura Parker was married to L. D. Woodward. Mr. and Mrs. Woodward reside at Elkhart.

(2) Ira Parker was never married. He was killed during the Civil War in the battle of Chicamanga while serving in the Confederate army,

(3) Ben Parker was married to Martha Pennington. Their children were (a) Ira, (b) John R. (c) Miles (d) Ben, (e) Callie and (f) Willie Parker.

(a) Ira Parker is deceased.

(b) John R. Parker lives at Boyd, Texas

(c) Miles Parker lives at Elkhart

(d) Ben Parker lives at Elkhart

(e) Callie Parker was married to John Montgomery. Mr. and Mrs. Montgomery resides at Elkhart.

(f) Willie Parker is deceased.

(4) Mary Ann Parker was married to Isaac J. Curry. Their children were (a) James I., (b) Lilly, (c) John W., and (d) Lula Curry.

(a) James I. Curry resides at Midfield.

(b) Lilly Curry was married to James Speaks. Mr. and Mrs. Speaks reside at Pleasant Hill, Louisiana.

(c) John W. Curry resides at Turney, Texas

(d) Lula Curry was married to Jesse Nelms. Mr. and Mrs. Nelms reside at 104 Edwards Street, Dallas.