

SERGEANT, W. - listed on page 11 of the San Jacinto rolls printed in 1836 as W. Sargeant, a member of Captain William S. Fisher's Company of Velasco Blues. The compiler does not know when he arrived in Texas. He received no land from the Mexican Government and his heirs did not apply for the headright land due him from the Republic of Texas. Donation Certificate No. 523 for 640 acres of land was issued in the name of W. Sargeant, October 4, 1853, due him for having participated in the battle of San Jacinto, April 21, 1836. The certificate had been assigned to Raymond Freeman.

On page 70 of the army rolls in the General Land Office W. L. Sargent is shown as a member of the Louisiana Independent Volunteers, May 1, 1836. On page 94 William L. Seargant is listed as a member of Captain John Chenoweth's Company of Zavala Volunteers, August 31, 1836. He is shown to have enlisted in the army April 27, 1836 and to have been furloughed for 30 days on August 19, 1836.

The following notice appeared in the Telegraph and Texas Register November 2, 1836:

"Died on the first instant at Velasco, Wm. L. Sargent, of the Texian Army, son of Dr. Sargent of Philadelphia. Should this meet with the eye of his parents and friends, they may rest assured, that every attention was paid to the deceased during his sickness, which was of short duration. He was interred in the burial grounds at Velasco, with the honors of war, by Captain Snell's Company, accompanied by others of his fellow soldiers and by the citizens of the town."

The heirs of Mr. Sargeant, through their attorney, on April 27,

1860, applied for the additional land due Mr. Sergeant.

Depositions in the case are in the Court of Claims file, General Land Office, Austin. Mr. J. H. Isbell in his deposition stated that Mr. Sergeant was shot and killed on the Colorado River in 1836. Mr. Isbell had confused the Colorado and the Brazos.

The compiler is not sure that the W. L. Seargent, or Sargent, mentioned in this sketch is the W. Sergeant who participated in the battle of San Jacinto.

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I have been trying for a number of years to gather what information I can about the men who participated in the battle of San Jacinto in Texas, April 21, 1836, at which Texas won its independence from Mexico. Someone has informed me that you might have some information regarding the Dr. Sargent or Sergeant referred to in the sketch of William L. Sergeant which I am sending you. Any information will be greatly appreciated by L. W. Kemp, 214 Westmoreland Avenue, Houston, Texas.