

MERCER, GEORGE R _____ - Born _____ in _____. He came to Texas in the spring of 1835, as is stated in the Headright Certificate issued to him February 2, 1838 for one labor of land by the Montgomery County Board. The land was surveyed in what is now Walker County. He was issued Bounty Certificate No. 658 for 1280 acres of land, December 1, 1837 for having served in the army from February 25, 1836 to January 20, 1837. He was a member of Captain Hayden Arnold's "Nacogdoches Company" at San Jacinto and on June 9, 1838 received Donation Certificate No. 318 for 640 acres of land for having participated in the battle.

The Probate Records of Walker County show that Mr. Mercer died in Walker County in 1842. His widow, Mrs. Elizabeth Mercer, was appointed administratrix of his estate December 26, 1842. On February 20, 1850, A. H. Mason and others were appointed to appraise the property of the minor children of Mr. Mercer, George H. and V. Matheson Mercer. Mrs. Elizabeth Oliphint was their guardian.

Mr. Mercer was married to Elizabeth Linfoot, who was born in Leeds, York Shire, England in 1818. At Mr. Mercer's death he was buried in a cemetery in Claveston.

George H. Mercer, son of George R. Mercer, was married to Mary Kearse (?). The names and addresses of some of their descendants are Mrs. Amanda Mercer Robinson, Richards, Texas, only living child of George R. Mercer. _____

V. Matheson Mercer was married to Annie Scott. The names and addresses of some of their descendants are Mrs. Jessie Mercer Copeland, Mr. W. M. Mercer and Mrs. Rilla Mercer Blain, all of Maypearl, Texas.

Mrs. Elizabeth Mercer, widow of George R. Mercer, was married to John William Oliphint. Mrs. Elizabeth Linfoot Mercer-Oliphint died July 11, 1881 and is buried in Martha's Chapel Cemetery eight miles southwest of Huntsville, Walker County in a marked grave.

Margin note: No information:

Mrs. Jessie Mercer Copeland: I am writing a book about the men who participated in the battle of San Jacinto. You are receiving two copies of this sketch. One is for you to keep. I will appreciate it if you will fill in some of the blanks in the other and return it to L. W. Kemp, 214 Westmoreland Avenue, Houston.