

ISBELL, WILLIAM - Born in Tennessee, October 25, 1800, the son of James R. Isbell. He came to Texas in 1835, as is shown in the head-right certificate issued to him February 2, 1838 for one third of a league of land by the Harrisburg County Board of Land Commissioners. In 1835 he was a member of Captain Mark B. Lewis' Company. At San Jacinto he was in Captain Moseley Baker's San Felipe Company, and on September 17, 1849 he received Donation Certificate No. 167 for 640 acres of land for having participated in the battle. He was issued Bounty Certificate No. 545 for 320 acres of land, September 17, 1849 for having served in the army from March 1 to June 1, 1836.

Mr. Isbell was married to Oliva Jackson, February 15, 1843. Mrs. Isbell was born in New York State, October 16, 1828 and died in Washington County, Texas, April 1, 1865. Mr. Isbell became blind in 1856 and died in Burleson County, December 2, 1877. His grave is lost. He was a member of the Texas Veterans Association.

Children of Mr. and Mrs. Isbell were (1) Martha Jane, (2) Emily Cemantha, (3) James Reed, (4) Euphemia Catherine, (5) John Isaac, (6) Julia Cemantha and (7) Alexander Marens Isbell, all of whom are dead.

(5) John Isaac Isbell was married to Lucy E. Bayett. Their children are Frank Edward Isbell, Somerville; Mary Melvina Isbell, wife of W. N. McClellan, Somerville; Miss Olivia Elvira Isbell, Somerville; Lillie Clifford Isbell, wife of R. H. Rust, Somerville.

Some of the other grandchildren of Mr. and Mrs. William Isbell are George W. Isbell, Cladwell; George Wood, Somerville; Andy Martin, Eddy, and Henry Martin, Eddy.