

PICKERING, JOHN Served under Lieutenant William J. Russell at the battle of Velasco in Jun 1832. It is not known when he came to Texas. In the Headright Certificate issued to him March 2, 1838 by the Brazoria County Board of Land Commissioners for a league and labor of land, it is merely stated that he came to Texas prior to May 2, 1835. He was a member of Captain John York's Company in 1835 and received a Donation Certificate, dated June 12, 1848, for 640 acres of land for having participated in the Storming and Capture of Bexar, December 5 to 10, 1835. He did not apply for land due him for serving in the army in 1836. He was a member of Captain William H. Patton's Columbia Company at San Jacinto.

Mr. Pickering was married to Sumia Morris in Brazoria County, February 17, 1838. He was killed October 20, 1838 while serving as a volunteer under Captain Benjamin F. Cage against Indians on Leon Creek four miles from San Antonio. His body and those of his slain companions were returned to San Antonio and buried just outside the Catholic Cemetery, now Milam Square.

Notes: Captain John York's Co. Storming of Bexar page 23, Land Office Rolls.

Look up Fayette Co. Die there:

Shown on page 232, army roll as having been discharged on about June 15, 1836.

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