RusSELL, ROBERT BENEDICT -- Born April 1, 1817 near Utica, New York, a son of Everitt Russell. On October 13, 1835 he received title to one-fourth of a league of land in Zavala's Colony situated in Sabine County. In the headright certificate issued to him March 8, 1838 for one-twelfth of a league of land by the Board of Land Commissioners for San Augustine County it is stated that he came to Texas in 1835.

In Comptroller's Military Service Record No. 6177 Captain William Kimbro certified that Mr. Russell enlisted in Captain Benjamin F. Bryant's Company March 31, and was discharged May 2, 1836, at the disbandment of Captain Bryant's Company. He enlisted in Captain Kimbro's company on May 2 and was discharged at San Augustine June 15, 1836. On November 13, 1851 he was issued Donation Certificate No. 3 for 640 acres of land for having participated in the battle of San Jacinto.

Mr. Russell was married to Lavinia A. Brownrigg, who was born in Woodville, Mississippi, August 29, 1821. Her father, Dr. G. B. Brownrigg, was born and reared in Edgecombe County, North Carolina. He moved to Alabama and there married a daughter of Benjamin Thomas Sr., who later moved to San Augustine, Texas. Dr. Brownrigg and wife moved to Mississippi and in 1830 came to Texas and settled at San Augustine.

Mr. Russell moved to Sabine Pass in 1843 and to Orange in 1854. There Mr. Russell died November 30, 1880. Mrs. Russell died May 4, 1899 and was buried beside her husband in a cemetery in Orange. Their graves are marked. Mr. Russell was a Mason and was a member of the
Texas Veterans Association.

Children of Mr. and Mrs. Russell, all of whom are deceased except Charles A., were Georgianna E., who married J. W. T. Sims; Henry H., who married Susan Hardy and after her death married Mrs. Baelah Smith; Robert E. Russell, who married Katherine C. McFarland; Junius B.; Julia E., who married Florentine W. Moss; Charles Alanson who married Mary Anderson, and lives with his wife in Orange; Laura A. and Granville S. Russell who married Maggie O. Bland.

Surviving grandchildren of Mr. and Mrs. Robert B. Russell are: Cecile Russell, Orange; Robert B. Russell, Jr., Orange; Mrs. Arthur G. Flemig, Orange; Miss Bessie Moss, Orange; Miss Georgia Moss, Orange; Charles A. Russell, Minnemucca, Nevada; Junius B. Russell, Waco; and Henry Russell, Houston.
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Mr. Russell was married to Lavinia E. Brownrigg who was born in Woodville, Mississippi, August 29, 1821. Her father, Dr. C. B. Brownrigg, was born and reared in Edgecombe County, North Carolina. He moved to Alabama and there married a daughter of Benjamin Thomas, Sr., who later moved to San Augustine, Texas. Benjamin Thomas, Jr., participated in the battle of San Jacinto. Dr. Brownrigg and wife moved to Mississippi and in 1830 came to Texas and settled in San Augustine. Mr. Russell and family moved to Sabine Pass in 1848 and in 1854 to Orange. There Mr. Thomas died November 30, 1880. Mrs. Thomas died May 4, 1879 and was buried beside her husband in a cemetery in Orange. Their graves are marked. Mr. Thomas was a Mason and a member of the Texas Veterans Association.

Children of Mr. and Mrs. Russell were Georgianna K., Henry H.

Georgianna E. Russell was born March 1, 1843. She was married to J. W. T. Sims, January 2, 1862. They had no children. Mrs. Sims died September 13, 1865, in Orange County from the effects of injuries received in a severe storm.

Henry H. Russell was born May 24, 1845. He was twice married. On first on October 12, 1868 he was married to Susan Hardy. By this union there were three children, Robert H., George M., and Julia. By a second marriage, Mrs. Buelah Smith there were two children, Vinette and Louis.

Robert E. Russell was born October 10, 1847. He was married to Katharine G. McFarland, October 19, 1871. They had four children, Cecile, Mary, Robert B., and Lavinia. Of these three are living in Orange, Texas. Mary married to Arthur C. Fleig and lives at Orange.

Junius B. Russell was born January 17, 1850 and died of yellow fever at Columbus, Texas, October 19, 1873.

Julia E. Russell was born October 12, 1852. She was married to Florentine W. Moss. They had four children, Claude, Julia, Besse and Georgia, three of whom are alive. None are married. Besse and Georgia live in Orange.

Charles Alanson Russell, last surviving child of Robert B. Russell and wife was born August 29, 1859 and lives at Orange, Texas. He was married to Mary Anderson, daughter of Wilson Livingston Anderson. Mr. and Mrs. Russell had three children (1) Leah E., who married Arthur
McDonald, September 18, 1899. Mrs. McDonald died August 23, 1910 (2)
Charles A. Jr., who lives at Winnemucca, Nevada. (3) Junius B., who
married Lily McElroy, May 14, 1917. Mr. and Mrs. Russell live at
Waco, Texas.

Laura A. Russell was born December 9, 1862 and died May 22, 1863.

Granville S. Russell, youngest child of Mr. and Mrs. Robert B.
Russell, was born May 13, 1866. He was married to Maggie O Bland,
March 17, 1877. They had five children (1) Susie, deceased (2)
Lonie, deceased (3) Henry who was married to _______. Mr. and
Mrs. Russell live at Houston, Texas. (4) Josephine married _______
Mr. and Mrs. _______ reside at _______. Georgia married _______
Mr. and Mrs. _______ live at _______.