

TEXAS RANGER INDIAN WAR PENSIONS

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Applicants With Coleman County Ties

ARMSTRONG, Noah (Ind. Sur. No. 14290)
Born February 8, 1852, in Lincoln County, Missouri,
died July 25, 1956, in Coleman, Texas. Married Bettie
Alice Fullerton November 30, 1879, in Corsicana, Texas.
Application based on service in Company C of the Frontier
Battalion from May 24, 1877, to February 28, 1878.
Application approved.
The venerable Noah Armstrong died at the advanced
age of 104 years. He was one of the last surviving Rangers
of the Indian Wars.

AVERY, P.G.
AVERY, Sarah M. (Ind. Wid. No. 1243)}
Born July 12, 1846, in Selma, Iowa, died January 29,
1910, in Coleman, Texas. Married Sarah M. Cooksey
September 3, 1882, in Colorado City, Texas; she was
born October 10, 1858, died June 15, 1922. Application
based on service in Company F of the Frontier Battalion
from September 1, 1875, to November 30, 1875. Application
approved.

BANISTER, John R. (Ind. Sur. No. 13549)
Born May 24, 1854, in Camden County, Missouri, died
August 2, 1918, in Coleman, Texas. Married first Mary
Ellen Walker in November, 1882, in San Saba, Texas;
she died in 1892 in Coleman. Married second Susan
Emma Daugherty September 25, 1894, in Goldthwaite,
Texas; she was born October 20, 1871, died in June,
1956. Application based on service in Company E of the
Frontier Battalion from October 9, 1877, to February 29,
1880. Application approved.
When he made application for a pension in 1917,
Banister was serving as Sheriff of Coleman County.

CHEATHAM, Manoh Richard (Ind. Sur. No. 145671)
Born December 17, 1850, in Adair County, Kentucky,
died January 31, 1940. Married first Alta Mira Batton
July 11, 1878; she died July 3, 1884, in Trickham, Texas.
Married second Mary Elizabeth Swift February 25, Texas.
1886, in Brownwood, Texas. Application based on service
in Company E of the Frontier Battalion from June
6, 1874, to August 31, 1876. Application approved.

BROOKSHIRE, Samuel (Ind. Sur. No. 12214)
Born April 5, 1849, in Knoxville, Missouri, died February
19, 1918, in Benoit, Texas. Married Loveday
Rebecca Clayton January 3, 1878, in Coleman, Texas.
Application based on service in Captain John Elkins'

Coleman County Company from December 25, 1872, to 1874. Application rejected.

Although Brookshire's name may have appeared on the rolls of Captain Elkins' company for the time specified, he rendered less than thirty days actual service and, as a result, was not eligible for a pension. In relating his service, Brookshire said he "can vouch for the death of one Indian."

ELKINS, John M. (Ind. Sur. No. 11909)

Born December 5, 1840, at White Hall, Illinois.

Married Emma Johnson February 13, 1870, in Coleman County, Texas. Application based on service in Captain H.A. Hamner's Company from March 3, 1861, to June, 1861, and in Company L from Coleman County from 1872 to 1874. Although the disposition of his application is not shown, there is reason to believe it was approved. Elkins, who served as Captain of the Coleman County Company, stated that prior to serving in Captain Hamner's company he "was in volunteer service fighting Comanche and Kiowa Indians on Texas frontier from 1859 to March 3, 1861."

GHOLSON, Samuel S. (Ind. Sur. No. 8870)

Born November 13, 1840, in Robertson's Colony, Republic of Texas, died February 19, 1926, in Tucumcari, New Mexico. Married first Mary Elizabeth Lungford February 16, 1861, in Coleman County, Texas; she died January 4, 1876. Married second Maggie E. Magness August 31, 1876, in Coleman County; she was born June 9, 1859, died February 19, 1926. Application based on service in Captain John Williams' company from October 17, 1858, to March 2, 1859. Application approved.

JONES, William Bell (Ind. Sur. No. 15352)

Born October 2, 1846, in Mississippi. Married first Mary Esther Lee. Married second Katherine {maiden name not stated} in 1881 in Bosque County, Texas. Application based on service in Captain I.C. Mullen's Coleman County Company from June, 1863, to January 1, 1867. Application rejected.

LOWRANCE, William J. (Ind. Sur. No. 12558)

Born May 26, 1853, in Mason County, Illinois, died in February, 1928. Never married. Application based on service in Captain J.M. Ellis' Coleman County Company in 1873, in Captain W.J. Maltby's Company E of the Frontier Battalion from June 6, 1874, to December 12, 1874, and in Captain John E. Sparks' Company C of the Frontier Battalion from 1876 to 1877. Application approved.

MANN, C.M.

MANN, Mary M. (Ind. Wid. No. 12659)

Died July 21, 1889, in Denver, Colorado. Married Mary (maiden name not stated) December 20, 1871, at Camp Colorado, Texas; she was born July 1, 1854. Application based on service in Captain J.M. Elkins'

Company L of Coleman County from September 13, 1873, to February 1, 1874. Application rejected.

PAULK, James K. (Ind. Sur. No. 11226)

Born March 11, 1850, in Ozark, Alabama. Married America Grieves October 18, 1877, at Camp Colorado, Texas; she was born October 31, 1859, at Camp Colorado, died in January, 1943. Application based on service in Company E of the Frontier Battalion from June 6, 1874, to May 31, 1875. Application approved. Paulk also served in Captain John M. Elkins' Coleman County Company from April 12, 1872, to June 1, 1874.

RASCOE, William P.

RASCOE, Cornelia E. (Ind. Wid. No. 13309)

Died August 3, 1902, in Coleman, Texas. Married Cornelia E. Price September 24, 1879, in Coleman; she was born December 8, 1859, died in 1920. Application based on service in Company C of the Frontier Battalion from 1876 to October 31, 1878. Application approved.

ST. CLAIR, John (Ind. Sur. No. 11621}

Born September 15, 1842, in Arkansas, died in December, 1920. Married Mrs. Matilda Rhodes about 1877 in Camp Colorado, Texas; she died in 1884. Application based on service in Company E of the Frontier Battalion from June 6, 1874, to May 31, 1875. Application approved.

WOOD, Joseph (Ind. Sur. No. 13746)

Born January 15, 1848, in Robeson County, North Carolina, died October 17, 1917, in Dallas, Texas. Married Olive O. Sloan February 12, 1880, in Coleman, Texas; she was born November 22, 1863, died March 5, 1933. Application based on service in Captain John Waller's Company A from 1874 to 1875, and subsequently in Captain R.S. Foster's Company E, Captain John Sparks' Company C and in Captain June Peak's Company B. Application approved.

Wood died while his application was pending, but his widow drew a pension for his service.