

Pioneer Families of Tarrant County



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Imagine what life must have been like in the early days of Tarrant County. First, Bird's Fort, then Fort Worth was established bringing the soldiers who would protect the early settlers from natives. The winters were bitter and discouraging. The spring rains would bring huge hail stones that destroyed crops in the fields. Afterwards, the Texas heat would bake the farmers fields dry until wide cracks would open at their feet. Then came the great cattle drives that would raise huge clouds of dust as they made their way north along what would become known as the Chisholm Trail. It was our ancestors who were the pioneers that endured these hardships and who would come to build the communities of Tarrant County out of land, cattle, oil and rail.

If you descend from one of the Pioneer Families of Tarrant County, you certainly would want your family's rich heritage recorded, preserved and celebrated. Eligibility is open to anyone who can prove direct decent from an early Tarrant County family who resided here in or before 1870.

Instructions:

1. Download and print the **Application** from our website. www.rootsweb.com/~txfwgs
2. Read and follow the **Rules of Evidence**, also available on our website.
3. Sign the **Release** (included with application) that grants publication rights to FWGS.
4. Complete the application and gather the appropriate documentation. Please do not send your original documents. Photocopies, digital scans, or other facsimiles will suffice.
5. Send the release, application, documentation and \$10 registration fee to the address above.

Applicants are encouraged to include additional biographical information and/or photographs of their Tarrant County ancestors. The Society plans to publish a book of all qualifying applications.

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Please sign the release below and return with your completed application. Include a check or money order (payable to FWGS) for the registration fee of ten dollars (\$10) to: Fort Worth Genealogical Society, P.O. Box 9767, Fort Worth, Texas 76147. The registration fee is non-refundable.

Upon approval of your application by the PFoTC Review Committee, you will receive a membership card and certificate of membership in Pioneer Families of Tarrant County. You will be informed when publications becomes available as a result of this project. Membership in PFoTC is perpetual and no addition fees or dues will be required.

Membership in the Fort Worth Genealogical Society is not a requirement of this application, nor is it a benefit of membership in Pioneer Families of Tarrant County.

If your application should be rejected by the Review Committee, your application will be held open for a period of 90 days, giving you a chance to gather and submit additional supporting evidence. No additional fee will be required if you can satisfy the Review Committee in this time period. A 90 day extension will be granted if requested prior to the expiration of the original grace period.

Release

I acknowledge that my application to the Pioneer Families of Tarrant County, the supporting documents and information contained within become the property of the Fort Worth Genealogical Society. I further acknowledge that the Fort Worth Genealogical Society is granted the right to publish this information, whether in the form of books, journals, electronic media, or on the Society's website. I understand that the application will not be returned to the sender.

Acceptance of the above release is required for all applicants.

Signed _____ Date: _____
(Applicant)

Received: _____ by the Fort Worth Genealogical Society
(Date)

Approved: _____ by the PFoTC Review Committee _____
(Date) (signed)

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Application

Instructions to Applicant: Fill in blocks [A] and [B]. List your main ancestral line beginning with yourself as [1]. The last entry in the ancestral line should be the family of [B].

A	Applicant's Name _____			
	Mailing Address _____			
	Street	City	State	Zip
	Full name of Spouse _____			

B	_____		
	Name of Ancestor	Year *	State or Country of Origin

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	* Indicate year first proved to be in Tarrant County		

1	I, _____			
	First	Middle	Maiden name	Surname
	was born on _____ at _____			
	City	County	State	
	(Tag documentation as Generation 1)			

2	I am the child of _____			
	born on _____ at _____			
	City	County	State	
	died on _____ at _____			
	City	County	State	
	_____ his wife			
	born on _____ at _____			
	City	County	State	
	died on _____ at _____			
	City	County	State	
	married on _____ at _____			
	City	County	State	
	(Tag documentation as Generation 2)			

3 The said _____ was the _____
Son or Daughter
of _____
born on _____ at _____
City County State
died on _____ at _____
City County State
_____ his wife
born on _____ at _____
City County State
died on _____ at _____
City County State
married on _____ at _____
City County State
(Tag documentation as Generation 3)

4 The said _____ was the _____
Son or Daughter
of _____
born on _____ at _____
City County State
died on _____ at _____
City County State
_____ his wife
born on _____ at _____
City County State
died on _____ at _____
City County State
married on _____ at _____
City County State
(Tag documentation as Generation 4)

5 The said _____ was the _____
Son or Daughter
of _____
born on _____ at _____
City County State
died on _____ at _____
City County State
_____ his wife
born on _____ at _____
City County State
died on _____ at _____
City County State
married on _____ at _____
City County State
(Tag documentation as Generation 5)

6 The said _____ was the _____
Son or Daughter
of _____
born on _____ at _____
City County State
died on _____ at _____
City County State
_____ his wife
born on _____ at _____
City County State
died on _____ at _____
City County State
married on _____ at _____
City County State
(Tag documentation as Generation 6)

7 The said _____ was the _____
Son or Daughter
of _____
born on _____ at _____
City County State
died on _____ at _____
City County State
_____ his wife
born on _____ at _____
City County State
died on _____ at _____
City County State
married on _____ at _____
City County State
(Tag documentation as Generation 7)

8 The said _____ was the _____
Son or Daughter
of _____
born on _____ at _____
City County State
died on _____ at _____
City County State
_____ his wife
born on _____ at _____
City County State
died on _____ at _____
City County State
married on _____ at _____
City County State
(Tag documentation as Generation 8)