Medal of Honor Recipients - Texas

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Born In Texas

Adams, Lucian Port Arthur, TX (DeQuincy, LA?) World War II (Adams' WWII draft card states that he was born in Louisiana. Most sources say Texas but no birth certificate has been located.)

| Austin, Oscar Palmer | Nacogdoches, TX | Vietnam War |
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| Austin, William Grafton | Galveston, TX | Indian Campaigns |
| Barkeley, David Bennes | Laredo, TX | World War I |
| Benavidez, Roy Perez | Cuero, TX | Vietnam War |
| Bennett, Steven Logan | Palestine, TX | Vietnam War |
| Birdwell, Dwight Wayne | Amarillo, TX | Vietnam War |
| Bordelon, William James | San Antonio, TX | World War II |
| Carswell, Jr., Horace Seaver | Fort Worth, TX | World War II |
| Cavazos, Richard Edward | Kingsville, TX | Korean War |
| Cole, Robert George | Fort Sam Houston, TX | World War II |
| Davila, Rudolph Blanco | El Paso, TX | World War II |
| Davis, Jr., George Andrew | Dublin, TX | Korean War |
| Dealey, Samuel David | Dallas, TX | World War II |
| Edwards, Daniel Richmond | Mooreville, TX | World War I |
| Erevia, Santiago Jesus | Nordheim, TX | Vietnam War |

BORN IN TEXAS (Continued):

Espinoza, Victor Hugo El Paso, TX Korean War

Ferguson, Frederick Edgar Pilot Point, TX Vietnam War

Fields, James Herschel Caddo, TX World War II

Fowler, Thomas Weldon Wichita Falls, TX World War II

Garcia, Jr., Candelario Corsicana, TX Vietnam War

Gonzalez, Alfredo Cantu "Freddy" Edinburg, TX Vietnam War

Graves, Terrence Collinson Corpus Christi, TX Vietnam War

Harrell, William George Rio Grande City, TX World War II

Harris, James Lindell (Lendell) Hillsboro, TX World War II

(Harris' WWII draft card spells his name Lendell as does his full signature on the card.)

Harrison, William Kelly Waco, TX Mexican Campaign

Hayden, David Ephraim Florence, TX World War I

Herrera, Silvestre Santana El Paso, TX (Chihuahua, Mexico) World War II

(Most sources say that Herrera was born in Texas but he stated in an interview that he was born in

Chihuahua, Mexico, and his family moved to El Paso, Texas, when he was a baby.)

Holland, Milton Murray Austin, TX Civil War

Howze, Robert Lee Overton, TX Indian Campaigns

Hutchins, Johnnie David near Weimer, TX World War II

Kane, John Riley near McGregor, TX World War II

Kearby, Neel Earnest near Wichita Falls, TX World War II

Keathley, George Dennis Olney, TX World War II

Keith, Miguel San Antonio, TX Vietnam War

Kimbro, Truman Madisonville, TX World War II

Knight, Jack Llewellyn Garner, TX World War II

Knight, Raymond Larry Houston, TX World War II

BORN IN TEXAS (Continued):

Law, Robert David Fort Worth, TX Vietnam War

Leonard, Turney White Dallas, TX World War II

Logan, James Marion NcNeil, TX World War II

Lopez, Jose Mendoze Mission, TX (Santiago Huitlan, Mexico)

World War II

(Most sources say that Lopez was born in Texas but he later stated in multiple interviews and his funeral program recorded that he was born in Mexico)

Lummus, Jack Ennis, TX World War II

Martinez, Benito Fort Hancock, TX Korean War

Mathis, Jack Warren Sterling City, TX (San Angelo, TX) World War II (Some sources list Mathis' birth as Sterling City but his birth certificate shows it was San Angelo)

McCleery, Finnis Dawson Stephenville, (Duffau) TX Vietnam War

(McCleery's birth certificate reads born in Daffau, Texas)

McLennon, John Fort Belknap, TX Indian Campaigns

Mitchell, Frank Nicias Indian Gap, TX Korean War

Moreland, Whitt Lloyd Waco, TX Korean War

Morgan, John Cary "Red" Vernon, TX World War II

Murphy, Audie Leon near Kingston, TX World War II

O'Brien, Jr., George Herman Fort Worth, TX Korean War

Pena, Mike Castaneda Newgulf, TX Korean War

Roan, Charles Howard Claude, TX World War II

Rodela, Jose Corpus Christi, TX Vietnam War

Rodriguez, Cleto L. San Marcos, TX World War II

Sampler, Samuel Major Decatur, TX World War I

Sasser, Clarence Eugene Chenango, TX Vietnam War

Shelton, George Mathews Brownwood, TX Philippine Insurrection

BORN IN TEXAS (Continued):

Smith, Paul Ray El Paso, TX War on Terror-Iraq

Steindam, Russell Albert Austin, TX Vietnam War

Swanson, Jon Edward San Antonio, TX Vietnam War

Turner, George Benton Longview, TX World War II

Whiteley, Eli Lamar Florence, TX World War II

Williams, Matthew O. Boerne, TX (Casper, WY) War on Terror-

Afghanistan

(Multiple sources list Williams as born in Texas, but multiple sources say he was born in Wyoming and

the family moved shortly afterwards)

Young, Marvin Rex Alpine, TX Vietnam War

Entered The Service In Texas

Adams, Lucian Port Arthur, (Houston) TX World War II

(Adam's Nat'l Archives service listing shows he actually enlisted in Houston)

Anderson, Richard Allen Houston, TX Vietnam War

Barkeley, David Bennes San Antonio, TX World War I

Benavidez, Roy Perez Houston, TX Vietnam War

Bordelon, William James Houston, TX World War II

Bulkeley, John Duncan Texas World War II

Cano, Pedro Texas, possibly Edinburg World War II

(Cano's actual enlistment location is unconfirmed but his WWII Draft card shows residency in Edinburg)

Carswell, Jr., Horace Seaver San Angelo, TX World War II

Cavazos, Richard Edward Texas Korean War

(The Army Registers don't name a specific location)

Cole, Robert George San Antonio, TX World War II

Connor, John Jefferson, TX Indian Campaigns

Creek, Thomas Elbert Amarillo, TX Vietnam War

Davis, Jr., George Andrew Lubbock, TX Korean War

Dealey, Samuel David Texas World War II (Dealey is accredited to Texas but the exact city he joined the Naval Academy from is not known)

Dozier, James Belle Fort Richardson, TX Indian Campaigns

Edwards, Daniel Richmond Bruceville, TX World War I

Erevia, Santiago Jesus San Antonio, TX Vietnam War

Espinoza, Victor Hugo Texas Korean War

Everhart, Sr., Forrest Eugene Texas City, TX (Chillicothe, OH) World War II (Everhart is officially accredited to Texas City but the Nat'l Archives service listing shows his actual enlistment was in Chillicothe, OH)

Factor, Pompey Fort Duncan, TX Indian Campaigns

Fields, James Herschel Houston, (Ft Sam Houston) TX World War II

Fowler, Thomas Weldon Wichita Falls, (Houston) TX World War II

(Fowler's Nat'l Archives service listing shows he actually enlisted in Houston)

Garcia, Jr., Candelario possibly Corsicana, Texas Vietnam War

(Garcia's accreditation is unconfirmed but may have been Corsicana, Texas)

Garcia, Marcario True name likely Macario

Sugar Land, (Houston) TX World War II

(Garcia's Nat'l Archives service listing shows he actually enlisted in Houston)

Gonzalez, Alfredo Cantu "Freddy" San Antonio, TX Vietnam War

Green, John Columbus, Ohio (San Antonio, TX) Indian Campaigns (Green enlisted in the army in Columbus, Ohio, in 1846 and was discharged two years later. He reenlisted in San Antonio, Texas in 1852, received a commission in 1855, and appears to have served continuously until his retirement in November 1889. History accredited his service and Medal of Honor to Ohio but it may actually belong to Texas.)

Guillen, Ambrosio El Paso, TX (Albuquerque, NM) Korean War

(Guillen is accredited to Texas but the USMC muster rolls show he enlisted in NM)

Hanson, Jack Glennon Galveston, TX Korean War

Harrell, William George Harlingen, TX World War II (Some sources show Harrell accredited to Mercedes but his USMC biography states he enlisted in Harlingen)

Harris, James Lindell (Lendell) Hillsboro, TX World War II

(Harris' WWII draft card spells his name Lendell as does his full signature on the card.)

Harrison, William Kelly Texas Mexican Campaign

Hawkins, William Deane El Paso, TX World War II

Hayden, David Ephraim Houston, TX World War I

Howze, Robert Lee Overton, TX Indian Campaigns

Hughes, Lloyd Herbert San Antonio, TX World War II

Hutchins, Johnnie David Houston, TX World War II

Keathley, George Dennis Lamesa, TX World War II

Kearby, Neel Earnest Dallas, TX (March Field, CA) World War II (Kearby is accredited to Texas but several sources state he actually enlisted at March Field, CA)

Kilmer, John Edward Houston, TX Korean War

Kimbro, Truman Houston, (Ft. Sam Houston) TX World War II

(Kimbro's Nat'l Archives service listing shows he actually enlisted at Ft. Sam Houston)

Knight, Jack Llewellyn Weatherford, (Mineral Wells) TX World War II

(Knight's Nat'l Archives service listing shows he actually enlisted in Mineral Wells)

Knight, Raymond Larry Houston, TX World War II

Law, Robert David Dallas, TX Vietnam War

Lee, Milton Arthur San Antonio, TX Vietnam War

Leonard, Turney White Dallas, TX World War II

Lloyd, George Canton, TX Indian Campaigns

Logan, James Marion Luling, TX World War II

Lopez, Jose Mendoze Brownsville, (San Antonio) TX World War II

(Lopez' Nat'l Archives service listing shows he actually enlisted in San Antonio)

Lummus, Jack Birth name: Andrew Jackson Lummus, Jr.

Dallas, TX World War II

Martinez, BenitoFort Hancock, TXKorean War

Mathis, Jack Warren San Angelo, TX World War II

McCabe, William Fort Duncan, TX Indian Campaigns

McCleery, Finnis Dawson San Angelo, TX Vietnam War

McDonald, Franklin M. Fort Griffin, TX Indian Campaigns

McNerney, David Herbert Fort Bliss, TX Vietnam War

Mitchell, Frank Nicias Roaring Springs, TX (Dallas, TX) Korean War

(Mitchell is accredited to Roaring Springs but the USMC muster rolls show he actually enlisted in Dallas)

Moreland, Whitt Lloyd Austin, TX Korean War

Murphy, Audie Leon Dallas, TX World War II

Korean War O'Brien, Jr., George Herman Big Spring, TX

Paine, Adam Fort Duncan, TX **Indian Campaigns**

Fort Duncan, TX Payne, Isaac **Indian Campaigns**

Pena, Mike Castaneda El Paso, TX Korean War

Pendleton, Charles Frank Fort Worth, TX Korean War

Phillips, George Frederick Galveston, TX Spanish-American War

Roan, Charles Howard Texas (possibly Oklahoma City, OK) World War II

(Roan is listed as entering the service in Texas but a newspaper article announcing his ship namesake

states he actually enlisted in Oklahoma City, OK)

World War II Robinson, Jr., James E. Waco, TX

Rodela, Jose Corpus Christi, TX Vietnam War

Rodriguez, Cleto L. San Antonio, TX World War II

World War I **Sampler,** Samuel Major Altus, Oklahoma (Quanah, TX)

(Sampler is accredited to Oklahoma but a biographer who researched Sampler extensively recorded his

actual enlistment was in Texas. His Nat'l Archives file agrees)

Sasser, Clarence Eugene Vietnam War Houston, TX

Shelton, George Mathews Billington, TX Philippine Insurrection

Steindam, Russell Albert Austin, TX Vietnam War

Stone, James Lamar Houston, TX Korean War

World War II Wallace, Herman Claudious Lubbock, TX

Ward, John Fort Duncan, TX **Indian Campaigns**

Watkins, Travis Earl **Texas** Korean War

(Watkins' press release states he enlisted in Dallas in 1939 for WWII but the Nat'l Archives recorded

Florida. The NARA listing for Korea shows Texas as Home of Record.)

Whiteley, Eli Lamar Georgetown, (Houston) TX World War II

(Whiteley's Nat'l Archives service listing shows he actually enlisted in Houston)

Williams, Matthew O. Houston, TX War on Terror-

Afghanistan

Wilson, Alfred Mac Abilene, TX Vietnam War

Young, Marvin Rex Odessa, TX Vietnam War

Medal Earned In Texas

(Indian Campaigns unless otherwise specified)

Albee, George Emerson Brazos River, TX

Anderson, James Wichita River, TX

Baldwin, Frank Dwight north fork of McClellans Creek, TX

Bell, George H. Galveston Bay, TX Civil War

Bergendahl, Frederick Staked Plains, TX

Bowden, Samuel Little Wichita River, TX

Branagan, Edward north fork of Red River, TX, near mouth of McLellan's creek

Carter, Robert Goldthwaite Brazos River, TX

Chapman, Amos Washita River, TX

Comfort, John W. Staked Plains, TX

Connor, John Wichita River, TX

DeArmond, William Upper Washita, TX

Dixon, William "Billy" Washita River, TX

Dozier, James Belle Wichita River, TX

Eldridge, George H. Wichita River, TX

Factor, Pompey Pecos River, TX

Foster, William north fork of Red River, TX near mouth of McLellan's creek

Given, John J. Wichita River, TX

Harrington, John Washita River, TX

Hay, Fred Stewart Wichita River, TX

Hesseltine, Francis Snow Matagorda Bay, TX Civil War

James, John Upper Washita River, TX

MEDALS EARNED IN TEXAS (Continued):

Keating, Daniel Wichita River, TX

Kelly, John J. H. Upper Wichita River, TX

Kelly, Thomas Upper Wichita River, TX

Kerrigan, Thomas Wichita River, TX

Kirk, John Wichita River, TX

Kitchen, George Krause Upper Wichita River, TX

Knox, John W. Upper Wichita River, TX

Koelpin, William Upper Wichita River, TX

Larkin, David north fork of Red River, TX near mouth of McLellan's creek

Mahoney, Gregory Patrick Red River, TX

May, John Wichita River, TX

McCabe, William Red River, TX

McDonald, Franklin M. Fort Griffin, TX

McMasters, Henry A. north fork of Red River, TX near mouth of McLellan's creek TX

McNamara, William north fork of Red River, TX near mouth of McLellan's creek TX

Mitchell, John Upper Washita River, TX

Morris, William W. Upper Washita River, TX

Neal, Solon D. Wichita River, TX

Neilon, Frederick S. Upper Washita River, TX

O'Neill, William north fork of Red River, TX near mouth of McLellan's creek

O'Sullivan, John Francis Staked Plains, TX

MEDALS EARNED IN TEXAS (Continued):

Paine, Adam Canyon Blanco tributary of the Red River, TX

Payne, Isaac Pecos River, TX

Pennsyl, Josiah Upper Washita River, TX

Phoenix, Edwin Red River, TX

Porter, Samuel Wichita River, TX

Pratt, James N. north fork of Red River,TX near mouth of McLellan's creek

Rankin, William north fork of Red River, TX near mouth of McLellan's creek

Roth, Peter Paul Washita River, TX

Sharpless, Edward Clay Upper Washita River, TX

Smith, Charles E. Wichita River, TX

Smith, George W. Washita River, TX

Stance, Emanuel Kickapoo Springs, TX

Stokes, Alonzo Wichita River, TX

Veuve, Ernest Staked Plains, TX

Walker, Allen Texas (12 Mi N of Guerra on Farm/Ranch Rd 649)

Ward, John Pecos River, TX

Warrington, III, Lewis Muchaque Valley, TX

Watson, James Curtic Wichita River, TX

Welch, Michael Wichita River, TX

Wilson, Benjamin Wichita River, TX

Wilson, William Colorado Valley, TX

Wilson, William north fork of Red River, TX near mouth of McLellan's creek

(William Wilson is a double recipient)

MEDALS EARNED IN TEXAS (Continued):

Windus, Claron Augustus Wichita River, TX

Winterbottom, William Wichita River, TX

Woodall, Zachariah Taylor Washita River, TX

Medal Possibly Earned In Texas

Ryan, Denis Gageby Creek, Indian Territory

Indian Campaigns

Both Kansas and Texas have a Gageby Creek. Ryan's recommendation was written at Ft. Leavenworth, Kansas. Gageby Creek in Kansas is not far from the Kansas border.

The well-researched book *Valor Across the Lone Star: The Congressional Medal of Honor in Frontier Texas* reads: "The Medal of Honor awarded to Sgt. Denis Ryan of Company I, Sixth U.S. Cavalry, is officially credited to have occurred in Indian Territory (Oklahoma). The engagement during which Ryan earned his medal occurred on December 2, 1874, and was a running battle, which actually occurred mostly in Texas, but carried over into Oklahoma."