

***KILLEEN
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Killeen, Bell County, Texas

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Although Bell County had settlers as early as 1835, the area around Killeen still had Comanches in 1859. The city of Killeen started with the coming of the railroad in 1882 and was officially organized in 1893. Before Killeen was formed many small towns were in the area, including Sugar Loaf and Palo Alto, many of whose citizens moved to the new town.

The Killeen City Cemetery had a long history of use before its care was assumed by the city of Killeen. It began as a private cemetery according to the city caretakers. This is verified by an 1899 handbill about the United Thanksgiving celebration that lists the meal as provided by the cemetery association. An early picture from around 1900 shows the cemetery as an overgrown area of tombstones about five miles out in the country. It was originally laid out with a circular drive in the old section B. This was abandoned and the area used for burials. This accounts for the irregular rows in the old sections.

The earliest recorded death in old section "B" is 1856. This may indicate the cemetery is much older than the city. There have been a number of removals to the Killeen cemetery of burials on land flooded by the construction of Belton and Stillhouse lakes and made inaccessible by the building of Fort Hood. Many of the pioneers buried there came from Alabama, Mississippi, and Tennessee and proudly lists this on their tombstones. There are a few confederate veterans buried here and many veterans of later wars.

The records of the early cemetery association were lost and there were no records of the old sections except for the reading of tombstones done by the local high school students as a community project. The city of Killeen currently maintains the cemetery and has a computerized database of recent records. We thank the city for their cooperation in this project. Additional information on burials is available from the city.

A city map and a cemetery map are included for orientation purposes. The old section is listed by section and rows. The newer sections give section, row, and lot. The book is alphabetized by last names and then organized by section and rows in order to preserve some of the family connections. This will cause some confusion when looking for first names in those sections with many similar last names, but may add to the knowledge of family members. Also, names have been included where a death date is not listed. These may be surviving spouses or those who have made predeath arrangements. Veteran listings and inscriptions are included in the comments section.

A great debt is owed to those faithful few who read the cemetery in cold and heat, rain and sunshine, and sickness and health. It was a great learning experience for us and a time of camaraderie. May this book preserve a little of the history of Killeen and add to your genealogical knowledge. Although every effort has been made to be accurate, please report and errors you find to the West Bell Genealogy Society.

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← Pine

← Medical

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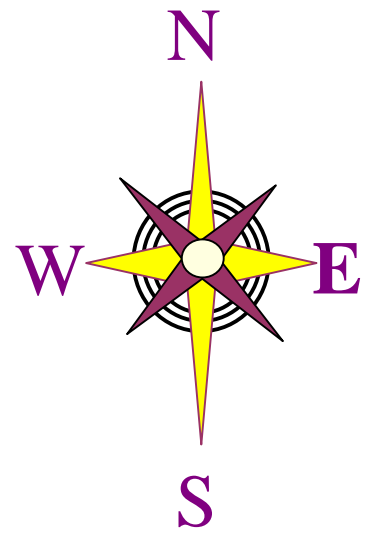
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Future Roadway



References shown are:
SECTION # - BLOCK#
 (For example this is pointing to
 Section D - Block A)

These gray areas are
 walkways within the
 cemetery

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