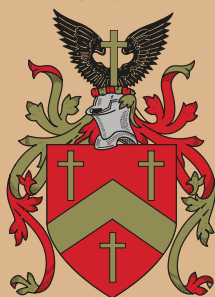


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David Austin: Another Texas Pioneer

Research by Helen Cook Austin

Davy Crockett and Sam Houston were not the only heroes of the Texas Revolution from Tennessee. You probably have never heard of Lieutenant David Austin, a veteran of the Creek Indian War, who traveled from Franklin County, Tennessee to Alabama in 1835 and then to Bexar, Texas. I wanted to tell the story of this unsung hero.



Three men named Austin of early Franklin County, Tennessee were Tennessee Volunteers for the War of 1812. I believe they were brothers or close relatives. Part of the war, fought in Alabama, was called The Creek Indian War of 1813-1814. When Andrew Jackson sent word that he needed volunteer frontiersmen to serve in a militia, David, William and James M. Austin answered the call.

David Austin and William Austin enlisted on the same day, at the same place, in a company called Captain William Russell's Mounted Spies. (Their unit's job would be called "recon" today.) David Crockett, also from Franklin County, served in the company, as well as Ensign Sam Houston of Blount County. The Battle of Horseshoe Bend ended the Creek War and Jackson negotiated a treaty that resulted in a cession of the part of Mississippi/Alabama Territory that was controlled by the Creeks. David Austin earned the rank of Lieutenant, as a battlefield commission.

David Austin applied for a War of 1812 pension in 1855, when he was living in Texas. David stated the following in his application: He was in the Battle of Horseshoe Bend. In 1814, when he was discharged, he went back home to a farm in Franklin County, TN. He grew corn and cotton and

cared for his livestock for twenty years. He had eight children. He resided about one year in the State of Alabama and then came to the State of Texas, where he resided ever since.

The 1830 U. S. Census shows David, age 30-40, with a household that included 3 sons, ages 5-10, 10-15 and 15-20, a woman (spouse) age 30-40, and 2 daughters, ages under 5 and 5-10. Something tragic must

have happened to this family, or else they separated, as David was single when he went to Texas.

Early in the year of 1835 David left Decatur, Alabama and began an arduous journey of at least a thousand miles to Bexar, Texas (near San Antonio). He enlisted for service as a Captain on October 7, 1835 in the Volunteer Army of Texas to fight the War of Texas Independence. He was discharged on December 14, 1835.

Because of his military service to Texas, David Austin received a large tract of land in Fort Bend County (near present-day Houston). David participated actively in establishing the county government in Richmond. He was present at the first meeting of the Fort Bend County Court on November 1, 1837. He was also a member of the first Grand Jury selected in February 1838.

Soon after David claimed his land he was ready to settle down and marry again. Mary L. Grant, born in South Carolina in 1796, married David Austin in March 1836. Before the year was out, George B. Austin, a son, was born to Mary and David. Two years later, a daughter, Ann Austin was born. No records have been found for George and Ann after 1860.

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NEW MEMBERS And their Earliest Austin Ancestors

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**Please help us keep our records up to date. Send any address
or email changes and updated ancestor information.**

Look for your membership renewal date on your address label.

**Alice Austin Martin
Membership Chairman**



Web Site Report

Earlier in the year, a completely parallel research site was created and beta testing of our new software was started. We are still working on accommodating the various differences in gedcom file format generated by the various genealogy programs.

In early September, it was decided to switch over to the new research site. Users probably did not notice anything different at first, but then noticed that we had added a Master Place Index to compliment the Master Name Index. We also cleaned up the look of the Family Group Sheet, and added an indented descendant chart to each database.

A major effort over the summer was cleaning up place name entries in all of the 63 databases. This required establishing consistent place name criteria and then getting the compilers to correct thousands of entries in their databases. All databases have now been corrected except for the Native American database. Place names changed

rapidly as the various territories were opened, Indian reservations created, and then squeezed and displaced by homesteaders moving west.

Attention has now been given to activating the last entry on the Projects page: Publications. Much work on the AFGS documents must yet be done to remove the photos from the text so as to minimize file size and indexing cost. All of the descendant books must be updated, but because many of the databases have been moved to newer genealogical programs, there is now no report compatible book writing software available to accomplish this for many of the databases.

Editors are now needed to gather AFAOA and AFGS holdings, sort these logically, and prepare them for the website. Digitizing of AFAOA archive documents continues, and an editor to supervise this effort is needed. Another volunteer is needed to integrate the many photographs held in the archives into the website, either as a stand-alone captioned album, or linked to their originating documents.

Jim Carlin

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*President's
Corner*

I'd like to remind you that the location of our convention for next year is to be decided by membership votes, with a choice of either Providence, Rhode Island or Salt Lake City, Utah. Please take a moment to read the information on both cities, then vote as soon as possible. Your vote can be mailed or emailed or sent through our website.

Christmas wishes are a great way to share your feelings with others and to spread peace, love and happiness. Whether your wishes are sent in the form of a card, a phone call or a simple smile to someone passing, send out those good thoughts.

Here's wishing you a Merry Christmas & Happy New Year!

Bonnie Austin Bigolin



Genealogist's Report

Numerous queries and their resulting research, as well as many e-mails, have resulted in updates to the following Austin databases:

Edward of Rhode Island
Jonah of Taunton, Massachusetts
Richard of Charlestown, Massachusetts
Nathaniel of Greenville, South Carolina
Solomon & John of North Carolina
William & Elizabeth of Craven Co., SC
Northern and Southern Unplaced Austins

Currently, additions are being incorporated in the *Northern Unplaced* database, resulting from Helen Cook Austin's African American research, and in *Roderick of New York* from the research of Karen Cooley.

Liz Austin Carlin

Minutes of AFAOA Business Meeting

October 27, 2013 — Austin, TX

In the absence of President Bonnie Bigolin, the meeting was opened by Vice President Kathi Koble.

The minutes of the 2012 meeting were read and accepted.

Lois Cody presented the treasurer's report, which to date showed a balance of \$15,163.70. This includes convention income, and when expenses are paid the balance will be about \$4,000 lower. Jane Bruckner moved to accept the report. Carol Austin seconded. Motion passed.

Membership Chairman, Alice Martin, reported 225 current paid memberships.

Liz Carlin, Genealogist, reported that she receives about two queries a week. She works with the compilers to update the databases on a regular basis.

DNA Project Chairman, Art Sikes, reported that 190 DNA tests have been completed to date.

Jim Carlin, Website Chairman, reported that he has been through almost all the databases cleaning up the place name criteria. He asked for help with the Publications section of the website. Amber Bice volunteered to help organize Publications and Vicky Cooper-Lane volunteered to manage photographs. Trish Emser agreed to assist with website search and highlighting issues. Jim also spoke

of the need for additional compilers to process input, correct data and update the information in some of the individual databases that are without someone to manage them.

Gay Martin talked about the need to put more of our data in digital form. He has transcribed Edith Austin Moore's field notebooks and some of the work of Janet Austin Curtis. Other volunteers are also transcribing Janet's work but more are needed. Transcriptions are sent to Jim Carlin for placement on the website.

Since we are no longer publishing books, it was decided to pay future website expenses from the Publishing Fund.

Art Sikes requested that \$500 be made available from the General Fund to buy DNA test kits when they are on sale. Bob Cody moved to accept this request. Gay Martin seconded. Motion passed. Art will draw from this fund as needed.

Richard C. Austin thanked the convention committee for organizing the convention.

The location of the 2014 convention was discussed. Salt Lake City, UT and Providence, RI were selected as nominations to be announced in the next newsletter, for a vote of all association members.

The meeting was adjourned.

Submitted by
Lois Cody, Secretary

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David Austin, *continued from page 1*

The Mexican Army continued to try to take back the Texas land they had lost. David left Richmond about September of 1842 to, again, serve the Republic of Texas as a volunteer. Mills M. Battle, Clerk of the Fort Bend, Texas County Court, said, "Personally appeared David Austin, who upon oath, deposes and says that in the Fall of the year 1842 he left the town of Richmond in said County and State, armed and provisioned and equipped to aid in repelling an invasion into the, then, Republic of Texas, by an armed body of Mexicans ...".

On May 22, 1859, eighteen months after he received a pension, David Austin died. The cause of his death is not known. However, there were many deaths in Fort Bend County due to the epidemics of Yellow Fever and Typhoid Fever at that time.

This story is about David, but I should tell something about his other relatives. David and William Austin are proven to be brothers from court records. James M. Austin also served in the War of 1812 from Franklin Co., TN; he later lived in Lawrence County, AL near William for nine years.

William Austin might not have returned to Franklin County after the Creek Indian War. He mustered out in Huntsville, Alabama and his two oldest children were listed by descendants as having been born in Huntsville. The State of Alabama was formed in 1818 and William Austin was one of the early land owners. He bought a quarter section of land (320 acres) in 1826-1832 on the border of Morgan and Lawrence Counties. Eight more children were born in Lawrence County on the family farm.

William Austin also applied for a War of 1812 Pension in 1855. Among the documents attached to his pension application, is a deposition by David Austin of Fort Bend County, Texas. David had lived in Morgan/Lawrence County, Alabama for a year, possibly on William's farm, before he went to Texas. Twenty-one years later David filed a deposition in support of William's service.

After David Austin went to Texas, he was followed in about 1844 by William D. Austin, his nephew, who then worked as an overseer for ranchers who lived near David. Fort Bend marriage records show that William D. Austin married Eliza/Louisa Baldwin on January 22, 1850.

William D. Austin died on 6 Sep 1855. A local newspaper article of September 1855 reported: "Died at the residence of his father, in Lawrence County, Alabama, on the 6th inst., after a short illness of typhoid fever, William D. Austin, of Fort Bend County, Texas. In the company of his mother, brothers and sisters, he quietly resigned his spirit to that God who gave it. Leaving his little orphan son, now in Texas to the care of his brother, he bade farewell to time and things." William had come home to settle the estate of his father, who died in January of that year, only to fall ill and die at his childhood home.

There is a record for the orphaned boy, Jackson

Austin, in the Orphan's Court records of Fort Bend, Texas. Two people applied to be the guardian of (Hugh) Jackson Austin. One was George W. Austin, a brother of William D. (sons of William Austin). The other was William McMahan who was the former employer of Jackson's father. At the time of the court sessions, Jackson was living with his great uncle David Austin in Richmond, TX.

Although The Court made George W. Austin the Adm. Of the estate of William D. and the guardian of Jackson, the action was revoked because George left the state. He had a wife and children living in Alabama and probably went home to see about them. Next, David Austin was made guardian of Jackson Austin, but David died two years later. I have not found out what happened to Jack after that.

I have not proven the name of the father of David or William. Another son of William, John Larkin Austin (1821-1866), also left Alabama and went to Texas before 1850. He was a prominent lawyer of Kaufman County, Texas. A descendant of John Larkin Austin has joined the Austin DNA Project and he is a match with the Nathaniel Austin of Greenville, SC line. William may not be a direct descendant of Nathaniel, but he could be related to Nathaniel's ancestors back in England. Larkin has been used as a middle name in both the Nathaniel and William lines.

James M. Austin was the third Austin Volunteer from Franklin County. James was at least three years older than David and five years older than William. He said that he was born in South Carolina, not Tennessee. The parents of James would have been living in South Carolina at the same time as the children of Nathaniel of Greenville were living there. James first enlistment in the Creek Indian War was at Huntsville, on 1 Sep 1812; he was discharged on 8 Feb 1814 at Fayetteville, TN. He went home to Franklin County and married Sarah Ann Green on 10 Aug 1814 in Winchester.

James and Sarah and her brother, William Green, left Tennessee, and moved to Lawrence County, AL before 1820. James said that they lived there for nine years. Sarah and James had three children born in Alabama. By 1830 The Austin and Green families had removed to Georgia.

James died in an accident on January 12, 1836, near Augusta, Columbia, GA. His friend and neighbor, John Swain, swore that, "James was waggoning to Augusta, Georgia and his team of horses ran away with him and killed him". Sarah lived to be ninety-two years old. Two grants of bounty lands for James' service were issued to Sarah. She received a widow's pension in 1884, the year before she died.

I have transcribed the following War of 1812 pensions, which I found on the "Fold3.com" website: David Austin (1791/1799-1859); his wife, Mary Grant (1796-1860+); William Austin (1793-1855); James M. Austin 1786/1788-1836); his wife, Sarah Green (1793-1885).

Information on these families, with sources for my research, has been added to the Unplaced Southern Austins database.

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New York Probate Records

by Arthur M. Sikes, Jr.

What are Probate records?

They are the legal documents that are generated before and after the death of a person who had an estate.

Why are NY State Probate records important?

- ♦ Vital records "births/marriages/deaths" were not mandated by New York state until 1880/81.
- ♦ Narrow down death date and burial location.
- ♦ Get a better understanding of your ancestor.
- ♦ Get a glimpse into the next generation.

The Will

What would you expected to find in a will?

- ♦ Name of wife
- ♦ Names of children
- ♦ Order of children
- ♦ Where they lived
- ♦ Property owned
- ♦ Trusted friends

Letter of Administration

- ♦ This is the first document for someone that died Intestate (without a will).
- ♦ It contains a list of the "heirs at law", relationship and location at time of application, if known.
- ♦ Who presented this to the court?

Application

- ♦ Required, after 1830, for both Testate (with will) and Intestate probate court records.
- ♦ Like the Letter of Administration, it lists all the "heirs at law", their names, relationship and location at time of application if known.
- ♦ This might be the only complete list; some names might not be in the will or distribution.

Guardianship

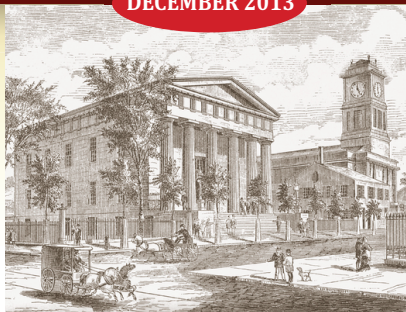
- ♦ This is a document for minor children that names the person who will oversee, advise and make sure they get what they should.
- ♦ A child who is 18 or above can choose his/her own Guardian. If younger, the court assigns a Guardian. It's a good way to find ages and relationships.

Inventory

- ♦ A list of all property, real and personal.
- ♦ A list of debt and debtors
- ♦ Although not always retained in NY State Probate records, if they exist they are in the Probate packet.

Distribution

- ♦ The estate is distributed among the persons in the will, if anything is left over after paying debtors.



- ♦ This is one of the last things done, sometimes years after the death; a person listed/not listed could have a new location, new married name or be deceased.

Where to find NY Probate records

- ♦ At the county probate office
Surrogate Court
- ♦ County and State archives
- ♦ Printed abstracts of wills, Applications
- ♦ Printed indexes of wills, Letters of Administration
- ♦ On-line: NEHGS, GENWEB
- ♦ Microfilm: FHL, NEHGS

You should know what county your ancestor was living in when the record was recorded.

When the Probate records were made will determine what records will be found and where. Typically, the earlier the county the more records may have been abstracted and indexed.

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database SPOTLIGHT

Hezekiah Austin of Sheldon, Franklin Co., Vermont

Compiler: Carol R. Austin

Hezekiah Austin was born between 1765 and 1775. Census records in 1810 and 1820 indicate that he and his family lived in Sheldon, Franklin County, Vermont. His name is missing in the 1830 census for that place indicating that he probably died before 1830.

Hezekiah married Persis, or Percy, (last name unknown) who was born about 1781 and died 4 Dec 1869 in Swanton, Franklin County, Vermont. They had 3 boys, Elvin, Levi and Ira.

A DNA test for a descendant of Hezekiah (test # 147277) shows a match to descendants of Samuel Austin of Boston, Massachusetts. A definite link has not yet been found.

This family line of Hezekiah Austin, which now has 461 names, has been moved from "Northern Unplaced" into a separate "Northern Austin" database.

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Back row (all standing) left to right: Gordon Davis, Edith Smith, Wanda Austin, John Adams, Rita Urso, Nancy Fatherree, Gay Martin, Victor Hunter, Robert Osborn, Vernon Austin, John Clinard, Lil Clinard, Bob Cody, Jim Carlin, Bill Austin, Liz Carlin, Sharon Austin, Art Sikes, Tommy Austin, J. P. Bryan, Richard Austin, Hyrum Austin, Pat Korach, Jackie Austin, Kathie Koble, Lois Cody, Linda Austin

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Not pictured: Louise Calhoun, Eileen Cox, Cindy Kennedy, Trish Emser, James Fatherree, Paula and George Mackey, Lisa Mahler, Brenda Mason, Nancy Naeve, Elizabeth and David Neithamer, Kristin and Robert Piller, Carolyn Gagas, Jean Shroyer

The 2013 Austin Families Association Convention—Austin, Texas

What a great turnout we had this year! Sixty six were registered. On Friday evening, convention attendees gathered in our “hospitality room” at the DoubleTree by Hilton. Some had arrived early and arranged visits to Austin attractions such as the Texas State Capitol, History Museum, Cemetery and Library.

In the *Austin Room* on Saturday morning, after a warm welcome by Vice President Jane Austin Bruckner, a Proclamation by the Mayor of the City of Austin was read by former President Gay G. Martin, Jr. Then we heard three guest speakers, all of whom had interesting information to share with us.

Dr. David B. Gracy II, Archivist, and author of the book *Moses Austin: His Life*, spoke on “A Researcher’s Odyssey: Lessons Learned in Researching Moses Austin” and told us how he studied the life of the man who opened the way for Anglo American settlement in Spanish Texas. His research advice was very informative.

James Harkins, Director of Public Services of the Texas Land Office, followed with a presentation on “Resources of the Texas General Land Office, Archives and Records”, showing us how valuable information about our ancestors can be gleaned from old land grant files.

Next was Noel Harris Freeze, Director of the French Legation Museum. In her talk, titled “From the Sothern States and Beyond: The People of Early Austin”, she explained how the early settlers of Austin had unusual sophistication, along with many talents of trade.

On Saturday afternoon we heard from several AFAOA members. Dr. Helen Cook Austin, shared what she had discovered about “David Austin, Another Texas Pio-

neer”. The extensive research she has done was very informative. John Clinard spoke on “John and Nathaniel Austin: Sons of Richard Austin of Southside Virginia”. John has been a researcher on this line for quite some time. Database Chair Jim Carlin rounded out a very fine day of speakers, talking about new developments in the AFAOA website. He reviewed how to find information on the site and introduced the new “Publications” area.

On Sunday morning Carol Austin, Vice President and DNA Project assistant, spoke on “Handling Sensitive Subjects in Your Research”. Areas such as insanity, crimes, adoption and illegitimacy, must be handled carefully when writing your genealogical stories. Liz Carlin, our Genealogist, spoke on “Breaking Down Those Brick Walls” and Art Sikes, Austin-Austen DNA Project Administrator and Rhode Island Austins compiler, spoke on “New York Probate Records.” Both Liz and Art have a lot to offer us from their areas of expertise!

The annual AFAOA business meeting was held on Sunday afternoon. The final event was an excellent dinner, with yet another interesting guest speaker: J.P. Bryan, Founder and Chairman of Torch Energy Advisors and a descendant of Moses Austin. Mr. Bryan gave a talk entitled “Stephen F. Austin and the Idol of His Existence”, in which he described Stephen’s feelings about the new colony and independent Republic, soon to be the State of Texas, using quotes from his letters.

After a weekend of camaraderie and good information, and opportunities to do research in the conference room before and after lecture time, we were all feeling inspired and ready to dig even deeper into our roots!

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VOTE FOR THE 2014 CONVENTION SITE [One vote per membership]

Vote in one of the following ways:

1. Vote by using the ballot below.
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Include date preference, reason you are interested in that location, comments, etc.



PROVIDENCE, RI

Rhode Island is the smallest state, but full of history, with Providence as its capital and largest city. It is bordered by Connecticut to the west and Massachusetts to the north and east. Its official name, *State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations*, came from the merger of two settlements in 1644. Providence Plantations was the name of the colony founded in 1636 by Roger Williams in the area now known as the City of Providence; Rhode Island Colony was founded soon after, near present day Newport.

There were many Austins in the Colony of Rhode Island. Robert Austin resided at "Kings Town", located between Providence and Newport, in 1661; his sons also settled in the area south of Providence. The descendants of Robert constitute AFAOA's largest database, but there are nine other databases of Rhode island Austins whose connections are not yet known.

Providence has several excellent research facilities. The Providence Public Library maintains a special collection with extensive materials on the State of Rhode Island and the City of Providence that include Sanborn maps, town histories and genealogy resources. The genealogical collection of the Rhode Island Historical Society Library is the third-largest in New England. Printed items exceed 150,000 volumes. Also available are microfilms of almost every



newspaper published in Rhode Island from 1732 to the present and a comprehensive collection of city directories.

Another attraction is Benefit Street's "Mile of History", with numerous well preserved colonial homes and churches, the Roger Williams Park and various art and history museums.

SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH

Salt Lake City is in a valley located at the foot of the Wasatch mountain range. Attractions include the State Capitol, Temple Square, historic homes of Mormon Pioneers, "This is the Place" Heritage Park, the Hogle Zoo, the Clark Planetarium and some excellent museums. Attend a Mormon Tabernacle Choir rehearsal and an organ recital in Temple Square. The Family History Center and adjacent hotel are conveniently located for walking the downtown area and a short trolley ride from the Gateway Shopping Center.

The Family History Center in Salt Lake City has the largest collection of genealogical materials in the world. Its records cover the United States, Canada, the British Isles, Europe, Latin America, Asia and Africa. Its holdings



include over 2.4 million rolls of microfilm, 727,000 microfiche, 356,000 books and 4,500 periodicals. Over 400 computers are available for searching electronic resources.

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Family Tree DNA Holiday Sale

Orders must be placed and paid for by December 31.

<http://www.familytreedna.com>

The test kits on sale are **Family Finder**, **mtDNA** and **Y-Chromosome DNA**. These tests can be ordered at different levels and in different combinations. Test upgrades are not on sale.

Sale prices for **Y-Chromosome** testing:

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