

David Laughlin
Lavaca County District Clerk

A native of Cumberland, Pennsylvania, David Laughlin was born in 1794.

On July 13, 1846, an election was held at Clark's Mill to elect the officers for the newly organized county. Laughlin was elected to serve as District Clerk, a position he held until 1849.

In 1847 he married Elizabeth McDonald by Justice of the Peace Phillip Howard.

In the 1850 census, 56-year-old Laughlin was living in Navarro Co, Texas where he remained until his death on April 22, 1859.