



THE ROSE CITY STAR

Newsletter of the Sons of Confederate Veterans - Walker's Greyhounds Camp #2338, Tyler TX

Next Meeting...



**Tuesday,
October 15, 2024
6:00 P.M. ~ Eat
7:00 P.M. ~ Meet**

**Spring Creek BBQ
5810 Broadway
Tyler, TX 75703**

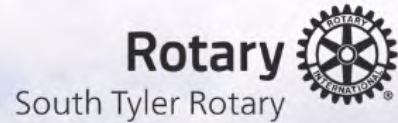
**Speaker:
Michael Hurley**

**Subject:
"The Language of
Victorian Era
Tombstones"**



**Camp Workday
Scheduled for
Oakwood Cemetery
Saturday
November 9, 2024
At 9 AM**

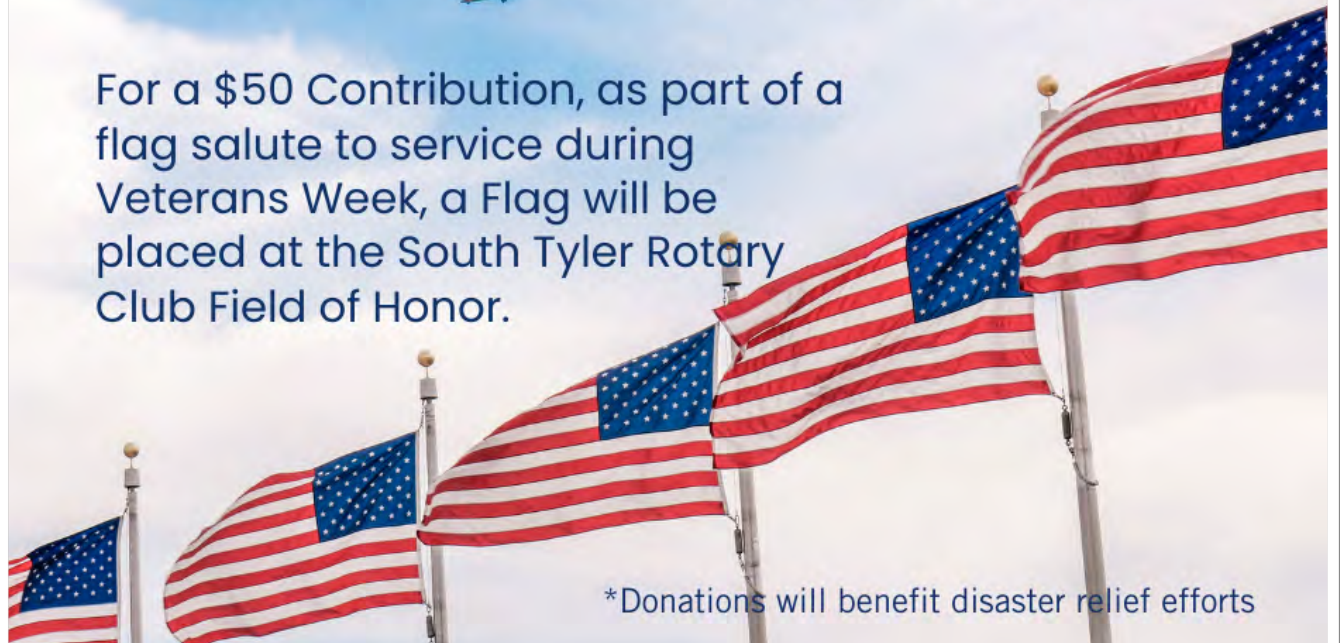




Field of Honor

REMEMBER AND HONOR
VETERANS, FIRST RESPONDERS AND NURSES

For a \$50 Contribution, as part of a flag salute to service during Veterans Week, a Flag will be placed at the South Tyler Rotary Club Field of Honor.



*Donations will benefit disaster relief efforts

Exciting news from the South Tyler Rotary Club! 🇺🇸 We're thrilled to announce our 1st Annual Field of Honor during Veterans Week 2024, from November 10-16!



Join us for a patriotic display of American flags across from the Brookshire Conference Center in Tyler, Texas. 🇺🇸✨ This fundraiser aims to **SERVE**** our community through grants to local non-profit while we ****HONOR**** our Veterans, Active Military Members, First Responders, and Nurses for their selfless service.**



The display will be up for a week, visible to thousands driving by on Front Street!

Consider purchasing a flag or exploring our underwriting opportunities for 2024.

For more details, check out our payment link <https://square.link/u/aILXIXu> ! 🖥️



Smith County Confederate Veterans October 1933

William Josiah Smith 1816-1877 - 14th Texas Infantry, Walker's Greyhounds

William Josiah Smith was born on April 7, 1816, in Wilson, Tennessee, to Henry Smith (1795-1878) and his mother, Mary Polly Ashford (1797-1854). William grew up in Wilson, TN, and received his education in public schools. He moved to Texas in 1840 at the age of 24.

He married Nancy Jane Long on October 7, 1842, in Nacogdoches, Texas. They were the parents of at least one son, James (1843), and three daughters (Selina 1845, Martha 1847, and Sarah 1849). Unfortunately, Nancy passed away from sickness in 1852.

William then married Mary Elizabeth Eakin on August 24, 1852, in Tyler, Texas, and they had seven children together: John (1852), Nancy (1858), Julia (1860), Willie (1862), twins - Felix and Phyllis (1865), and Maggie (1868).

When the War of Northern Aggression broke out in 1861, William answered the call of Texas and joined the 14th Texas Infantry on March 13, 1862. He quickly rose to the rank of Captain of Company "C," 14th Texas Infantry, when it was mustered into Confederate service in the summer of 1862. The 14th Texas consisted of officers and men primarily recruited from Harrison, Polk, Rusk, Smith, Titus, and Upshur counties in Northeast Texas. The 14th Texas Infantry was assigned to Walker's Division of "Greyhounds" in February 1863. They remained in Walker's Greyhounds until the end of the war. Captain Smith saw action in western Louisiana at Fort Bisland, Bethel Place, Bayou Teche, and on April 14, 1863, at Irish Bend. He received wounds at Irish Bend and was discharged from service on April 26, 1863.

After the war, he returned to Tyler, TX, where he lived in peace for the rest of his life. He passed away on January 28, 1877, at the age of 60 in Tyler, Smith, Texas, and was buried in the Smith Cemetery, Gresham, Smith County, Texas





130th Annual Reunion
Sons of Confederate Veterans
Houston TX
July 16-20, 2025



Houston Marriott South Hobby Airport
9100 Gulf Freeway, Houston, TX

**Full Reunion Details, Make Hotel Reservations
and Convention Registration Online:**

<https://www.scv130.com>

To Call For Hotel Reservations
713-943-7979

Use Reservation Code:
SCV 2025 National CO

Hosted by the Texas Division SCV

News From Around the Texas Division...

Texas Division Donates New Obelisk To Be Placed Over Graves of Texas Soldiers Buried in Richmond, VA



After over 50 years, the Texas soldiers buried in historic Oakwood Cemetery in Richmond, VA, will be marked appropriately again. Some years following the War for Southern Independence, the ladies of the South raised funds to remove the Confederate dead from Yankee battlefields and to reinter their bodies in the warm soil of the South. Many of the Confederate soldiers were reburied in Oakwood in the early 1900s and were laid out by their respective States whenever possible. Each State was designated with an obelisk bearing the name of the State from which the men served. Sometime in the late 1960s, the original Texas obelisk was removed or stolen. In September of last year, the Texas Division SCV appropriated funds of \$5,000 to replace the missing obelisk. The Obelisk is now finished, and our own Michael Hurley will be transporting it to Virginia in November. The obelisk will be formally dedicated in the Spring of 2025!

In Memory of the Confederate Companies from Smith County, Texas

1st Texas Infantry Hood's Texas Division "The Ragged Old First" - Colonel Louis T. Wigfall

3rd Texas Infantry Walker's Texas Division, Scurry's Brigade - General William R Scurry

3rd Texas Cavalry McCulloch's Divison - Major George W. Chilton

11th Texas Infantry Walker's Texas Division, Randal's Brigade - Major Nathaniel J. Caraway

14th Texas Infantry Walker's Texas Division, Randal's Brigade - Colonel Edward Clark

14th Texas Cavalry "Johnson's Mounted Volunteers", Ector's Brigade - General Matthew Ector

15th Texas Infantry Polignac's Brigade, Speight's Regiment - Lt Colonel James E. Harrison

17th Texas Infantry Walker's Texas Division, Scurry's Brigade - Colonel Robert T. P. Allen

22nd Texas Infantry Walker's Texas Division, Hubbard's Regiment - Colonel Richard B. Hubbard

28th Texas Cavalry (dismount) Walker's Texas Division, Randal's Brigade - Colonel Horace Randal

Douglas Texas Battery of Artillery, Army of the Tennessee - Captain James P. Douglas



15th Texas Infantry



11th Texas Infantry



3rd Texas Infantry.



Tyler Guards - 3rd Texas Cav





- ◆ **October 15, 2024** - Monthly Meeting Walker's Greyhounds.
- ◆ **October 19, 2024** - SCV Walking Tour of Grace Hill Cemetery at 601 W. Marshall Ave., Longview TX Tour 10 AM
- ◆ **November 9, 2024** - **MAX EFFORT** - Oakwood Cemetery Workday starting at 9 AM.
- ◆ **November 19, 2024** - 2nd Anniversary of the Camp's Charter.
- ◆ **April 19, 2025** - Texas Wide Confederate Heritage Month Celebration at the Confederate Reunion Grounds, Mexia TX

Find Us On the Web...

walkersgreyhounds.net



2024 Camp Leadership

How Do I Join The Sons of Confederate Veterans?

The SCV is the direct heir of the United Confederate Veterans. Organized at Richmond, Virginia in 1896, the SCV continues to serve as a historical, patriotic, and non-political organization dedicated to ensuring that a true history of the 1861-1865 period is preserved. Membership in the Sons of Confederate Veterans is open to all male descendants of any veteran who served honorably in the Confederate armed forces. Membership can be obtained through either lineal or collateral family lines and kinship to a veteran must be documented genealogically. The minimum age for full membership is 12, but there is no minimum for Cadet membership.