

Butler Church Bell (1970)

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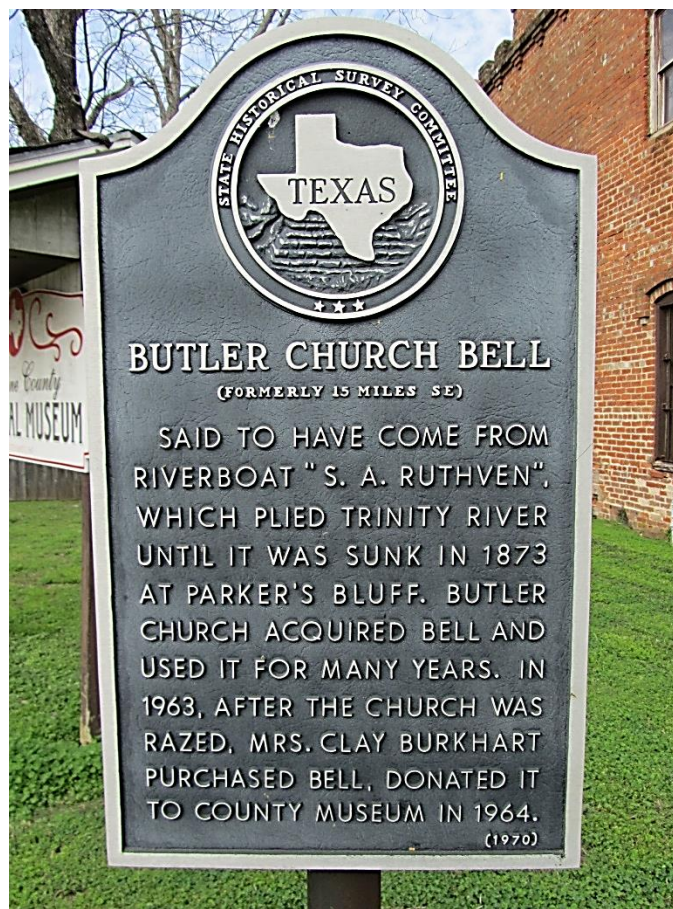
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Said to have come from riverboat "S. A. Ruthven", which plied Trinity River until it was sunk in 1873 at Parker's Bluff. Butler Church acquired bell and used it for many years. In 1963, after the church was razed, Mrs. Clay Burkhart purchased bell, donated it to county museum in 1964.

Directions: From the courthouse in Fairfield, heading East on Hwy 84/ Commerce Street, turn left onto Hall Street just before the Post Office. Go one block and the old bell sits on the corner of Hall and Main Streets in front of the Old Jail. The bell is part of the Freestone County Historical Museum complex.

Address: 302 E. Main Street, Fairfield, TX 75840

GPS: 31° 43.586' N, 96° 9.476' W





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