

## Potter- Watson Log Cabin (1969)

**Marker #: 9899**

**Marker Text:**

(Originally located 5 miles northwest)

Built about 1852 by Daniel Potter, farmer who tamed wild horses. Has cedar floor, split board roofing joined by pegs. Hewn logs interlock securely.

Cabin became family room in house erected by W. A. Potter. He sold it to A. T. Watson of Stewards Mill in 1901. His son Edward M. Watson, rancher and merchant, brought his bride here, 1904. His son Edward, Jr., born in the cabin, gave it to museum for preservation, 1967.

Recorded Texas Historic Landmark – 1969

**Note:** Daniel Potter and his first wife's family (Claypool) were included on the 1845 Texas Census and were founders in Limestone/Freestone Counties. This family's land was located near Stewards Mill on FM 2547. The Watson family at one time operated the Stewards Mill Store. For more information on these families please visit the Freestone County Historical Museum. See also the book, *Freestone County Historical Museum: 50 Years and Beyond*.

**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 cabin sits on the corner of Hall and Main Streets. The cabin is part of the Freestone County Historical Museum complex. There are 3 other historical markers located on the museum complex.

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

**GPS:** 31° 43.586' N, 96° 9.476' W



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