

TRIBUTE TO THE MEMORY OF COMRADE J. J. BRIDGES.

Fort Worth, Texas, December 24th. 1916.

To the Commander and Comrades of R. E. Lee Camp No. 158,  
United Confederate Veterans:

Your committee appointed to present appropriate tribute  
to the memory of our late Comrade J. J. Bridges; beg to submit  
the following:

Comrade Bridges was born March 3rd 1837 near Nashville  
Tennessee. He entered in the service of the Confederate States  
as a Private in Company "I" 12th Texas Cavalry, Parsons Brigade,  
and served throughout the war. He came to Texas in 1859, first  
settling in Ellis County.

Comrade Bridges was one of those sturdy citizens who  
helped to establish order in a desecrated land. He, as thousands  
of other Confederate Soldiers, returned home to meet a situation  
that required fully as much courage to overcome as it had to  
face the guns of the enemy for four years. Courageously Comrade  
Bridges met those conditions and lived a long and useful life.  
He died at the home of his daughter, Mrs C. E. Waller, 814 West  
Second Street, this city, Thursday afternoon December 14, 1916  
and was buried in Mount Olivet Cemetery Saturday December 16th.

Comrade Bridges is survived by three daughters: Mrs R. C.  
Chance, of Readley, Mrs. R. H. Lunnsford, of Seymour, and Mrs.  
C. E. Waller of this city.

"You think of the dead on Christmas eve,  
Wherever the dead are sleeping;  
And we, from a land where we may not grieve,  
Look tenderly down on your weeping.

You think us far; we are very near,  
From you and the earth though parted,  
We sing to-night to console and cheer,  
The hearts of the broken-hearted.

The earth watches over the lifeless clay,  
Of each of its countless sleepers,  
And the sleepless that passed away,  
Watch over all earth's weepers"

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We respectfully ask that a copy hereof be furnished the  
daughters of our deceased Comrade and a copy preserved in the  
records of the Camp.

Respectfully submitted -

COMMITTEE -

{ George R. Allen  
J. J. Lunnsford  
J. S. M. Kinney



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