

Early Krum Families

William Hasten T. & Pauline (Fore) Shifflett

Arrival in Krum Area- around 1898

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William Hasten T. Shifflett was born August 31, 1826 in Howard County Missouri to Hasten T. Shifflett and Susannah Estell. In December 1849 he married Pauline Frances Fore daughter of Silas A. & Sarah Fore. He fought during the Civil War in the 42nd Regiment, Missouri Infantry. Hasten T. Shifflett and his family moved from Missouri to Denton County in 1887, settling first around what was to become the town of Justin, Texas. They moved to Krum in 1898. Pauline Fore Shifflett died in 1904 and Hasten Shifflett in 1916 and both are buried at Plainview Cemetery.

Hasten and his wife Pauline Francis Fore Shifflett were the parents of these children all born in Missouri:

Susan A. Shifflett was born in 1850 and died in 1871.

Louis K. Shifflett born in 1853 married 1st Eliza Hatfield Sept 27, 1871 and moved to Denton County the same year. Later he went on a cattle drive and while he was gone his 3 children had died and his wife Eliza thereafter. He married Julia Samantha Payne in 1885 and they had these children: Mary Frances, Naomi Gertrude, Lee K., Myrtle, Jennie Pearl and James. After the death of his wife Julia, Louis lived in Montague County Texas with his daughter Fannie and he passed away on Dec 21, 1941.

Robert G. Shifflett was born in 1855 and died in 1864.

Harden Y. Shifflett was born in 1859 and died in 1864.

Gertrude Ann Shifflett was born 1860 and married George McCormick on May 12, 1892. George was the son of George Sr. and Virginia (Terrill) McCormick. They had four children Annie McCormick Morris(1893-?) , Robert Hasten McCormick (1895-1943), Ivan George McCormick (1897-1970), Jettie Mabel McCormick Seber (1909-1939) and Dollie McCormick. Gertrude America and George McCormick are buried at Plainview Cemetery.

Edwin Lee Shifflett was born in 1862 and died in 1957 in Los Angeles California. He married Hallie White in 1892 and they had two daughters Emma and Narine.

Herman Lorenzo Shifflett, was born 1866 died in 1938. He married first Frances B "Fannie" Jones and they had these children: Susie, Pauline, Jennie Ruth and Herman Shifflett. After Fannie's death in 1904 Herman married Sarah Evelyn "Sallie" Henry in 1912 and they had one daughter Christine Shifflett and a son Edwin. His obituary says Herman Lorenzo had lived in Denton County for 61 years and was a peace officer of this county for 18 years.

Sarah Judie Shifflett born in 1869 and lived with her parents until her death at age 63 in 1931 of cancer. Her death certificate shows she was a teacher. In 1920 she ran for County Treasurer and her ad in the Denton Record Chronicle read:

I AM THE ONLY WOMAN CANDIDATE running for office and will appreciate your vote very much. I want to thank everyone for their kindness and consideration. **MISS JUDIE SHIFFLETT** candidate for County Treasurer. Sarah Judi Shifflett is buried at Plainview Cemetery.

Francis Preston “Frank” Shifflett was born in 1870 and died in 1905 in the typhoid epidemic which took the lives of 15 men in the community of Krum. Frank married Emma Evans in December 1893, and the young couple bought a farm in the Plainview community in 1898. They moved to town in 1901. He, in partnership, with Brent Jackson, established a wagon yard. The company also had a coal yard and ice-house. Frank and Emma Shifflett’s children were two sons Olan G. born in 1895 and Orlan Lamont Shifflett born in 1899. Olan married Francis George and they had one daughter Francis. Orlan married Bernys Baker, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. D.E. Baker and they had two sons Gary and Donald.

A 1901 issue of the Krum Gazette quoted Frank Shifflett: “I’ve lived in Denton County 24 years and in Krum six months.” His verdict ‘No country on earth like Texas, no country like Denton, and no town like Krum. I didn’t come here (he was bought by his father in 1887, ed.) and I ain’t going away.’ He remembered when all the fine land around could be bought for \$1.00 an acre.

Era Rosilla Shifflett was born in 1874 and died in 1946. She married Andrew Foster In November 1893 in Greenwood, Wise County, Texas.

Hasten T. Jr. Shifflett was born in 1876 and died in 1906. He married Anna Mae Gage in July 1900. And they had a daughter Hazel born in 1904. Hasten Shifflett Jr. is buried at Plainview Cemetery.

Paulina Shifflett, twin of Hasten, was born in 1876 and died in 1876.

A couple of articles from the Denton Chronicle on Hasten T. Shifflett Sr: The first is from Sept 2, 1913- *“Hasten T. Shifflett, better known as “Grandpa” Shifflett, who has been a resident of Denton County since 1887, celebrated his eighty-seventh birthday at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Geo McCormick at Krum, August 27th. Two sons and two daughters, L.K. Shifflett of Illinois Bend, Texas, H.L. Shifflett, Mrs. Geo McCormick and Miss Judie Shifflett of Krum were present, with fourteen grandchildren and two great grandchildren... Grandpa Shifflett was born in Howard County, Missouri, in 1826, and moved to Denton county in 1887.”*

A newspaper article from March 25, 1916 says: *“H.T Shifflett of Krum better known there as “Grandpa” Shifflett died at his home there at 10:30 Saturday morning, death being due principally to old age.”*

Shifflett descendants still live in the Krum and the Denton County area to this day.



**Conrad, Beverly, Carl, Theresa, Travis
Annetta & Gary**



Donald Shifflett

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