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FORM B.  
WIDOW'S APPLICATION  
FOR A PENSION

The Comptroller of Public Accounts reserves the right to call for additional testimony if he deems it necessary.

Name of Applicant  
Mrs. T. A. Carter, 84  
Thomas Abraham Carter

R. F. D. or Street No. 5  
County Smith

Postoffice Tyler, Texas.

Filed March 26th, 1932.

Approved November 10, 1954

Pension allowed from December 1, 1954.  
Approved under amendment to Confederate Pension Law passed by 53rd Legislature  
Rejected  
Comptroller of Public Accounts

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Widow's Application for Confederate Pension

THE STATE OF TEXAS,

County of Smith

I, Mrs. Mrs Nancy M. Carter

do hereby make application for a pension pursuant to the provisions of Articles 6204 to 6227, inclusive, of the Revised Civil Statutes of 1925 as amended by H. B. No. 150, passed by the Forty-second Legislature at its Regular Session and all other laws of this State relating thereto.

I am a widow of Mr Thomas A Carter deceased, who departed this life on the 10 day of March, A. D. 1932, in the county of Smith, in the State of Texas

I have not remarried since the death of my said husband; (or in case of remarriage that I am now a widow); and I do solemnly swear that I was never divorced from my said husband

and that I never voluntarily abandoned him during his life but remained his true, faithful and lawful wife up to the date of his death. I was married to him on the 27 day of July

A. D. 1874, in the county of Smith, in the State of Texas

My husband, the said Mr Thomas A Carter, served as a Confederate soldier (or sailor) in the war between the States of the United States; or (that he was a soldier who, under special laws of the State of Texas during said war, served in organizations for the protection of the frontier against Indian raiders or Mexican marauders); or (that he was a soldier of the militia of the State of Texas who was in active service during said war.) That my said husband served honorably from the date of his enlistment until the close of the war, (or until he was discharged or paroled in some military organization regularly mustered into the army or navy of the Confederate States until the surrender). He was honorably discharged or paroled.

(Give date and cause.)

That I have been a bona fide resident of this State continuously since the 10 day of Oct, A. D. 1874

- 1. What is your age, and date of birth? 57 Oct 14 1874
- 2. How long have you resided in the county of your present residence? 56
- 3. What is your postoffice address? Smith Texas
- 4. Have you applied for a pension under the Confederate pension law and been rejected? No
- 5. If rejected, state when and where.
- 6. Did your husband draw a pension? Yes If so, give his file number 27447
- 7. Give, if possible, the postoffice address of your deceased husband at the time of his enlistment 27447
- 8. What was your husband's full name? Thomas Abraham Carter
- 9. In what State was your husband's command originally organized? 27447
- 10. How long did your husband serve? 27447
- 11. If known to you, give date of enlistment and discharge 27447
- 12. What was the name or letter of the company, or number of the regiment in which your husband served? If he was transferred from one branch of service to another, give time of transfer, description of command and time of service. (If applicant's husband was a pensioner give his file number, which is evidence sufficient for proof of service.) 27447

13. Name branch of service in which your husband served, whether infantry, cavalry, artillery, or the navy, or if commissioned as an officer by the President, his rank and line of duty, or if detailed for special service, under the law of conscription, the nature of such service, and time of service. 27447

14. To what race do you belong? White - Anglo-Saxon

Wherefore your petitioner prays that her application for a pension may be approved and such other proceedings be had in the premises as required by law. (TX)

(Signature of Applicant) Mrs T A Carter

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 27 day of March, A. D. 1932

[Seal]

County Judge Smith County, Texas.

\*Where applicant has remarried it is necessary that she state facts covering particulars of last marriage, and date of last husband's death. She must also state that she is now a widow

AFFIDAVIT OF WITNESSES

[Note.—There must be at least two creditable witnesses.]

THE STATE OF TEXAS,  
County of Smith }

Before me, Bradley Peunty, County Judge of Smith County,  
State of Texas, on this day personally appeared J. J. Pierce and H. St. Allen

\_\_\_\_\_ , who are personally known to me to be credible citizens, who, being by me duly sworn, on oath state that they personally know that Mrs. J. A. Carter, applicant for a pension as the widow of J. A. Carter deceased, is in truth and fact the widow of J. A. Carter deceased; that they personally know that she has not remarried since the death of her husband, for whose services in the army she claims a pension, and that they have no interest in this claim.\*

(Signature of Witness) J. J. Pierce

(Signature of Witness) H. St. Allen

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 21 day of March, A. D. 1932

Bradley Peunty  
County Judge Smith County, Texas.

[Seal.]

\*Where applicant has remarried it is necessary that she state facts covering particulars of last marriage, date, to whom married, and date of last husband's death. She must also state that she is now a widow.

AFFIDAVIT OF WITNESSES

[Note.—There must be at least two creditable witnesses.]

THE STATE OF TEXAS,  
County of Smith }

Before me, Bradley Peunty, County Judge of Smith County,  
State of Texas, on this day personally appeared J. J. Pierce and Harry Allen

\_\_\_\_\_ , who are personally known to me to be creditable citizens, who, being by me duly sworn, on oath state that they personally know the above named applicant for pension, and that they personally know that the said Mrs. J. A. Carter has been a bona fide resident citizen of the State of Texas since 20 years and that they have no interest in this claim.

(Signature of Witness) J. J. Pierce

(Signature of Witness) H. St. Allen

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 24 day of March, A. D. 1932

Bradley Peunty  
County Judge Smith County, Texas.

[Seal.]

AFFIDAVIT OF WITNESSES

(If possible the one witness should have served with the applicant's husband in the army, and if so, let him state it in his oath, also any other information regarding the army service of applicant's husband.)

THE STATE OF TEXAS, }  
County of \_\_\_\_\_ }

Before me, \_\_\_\_\_, County Judge of \_\_\_\_\_ County,  
State of Texas, on this day personally appeared \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_, who is personally known to me to be a creditable citizen, who, being by me sworn, on oath states that (he or she) is personally acquainted with the foregoing applicant, and that the facts set forth and statements made in her application are correct and true, to the best of (his or her) knowledge and belief, and that (he or she) has no interest in this claim. And further make oath to the following facts touching the service of applicant's husband in the Confederate Army:  
(Witness must state fully the source of (his or her) knowledge of service of applicant's husband) \_\_\_\_\_

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*See file no  
27447*

(Signature of Witness) \_\_\_\_\_

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, A. D. 19 \_\_\_\_\_

[Seal.]

County Judge \_\_\_\_\_ County, Texas.



480—AFFIDAVIT TO ANY FACT

Texas Standard Form

The State of Texas, }  
County of \_\_\_\_\_

BEFORE ME, the undersigned, a Notary Public in and for said County, State of Texas, on this day personally appeared MRS T. A. CARTER to me well known, and who, after being by me duly sworn, deposes and says that

THAT SHE HAS BEEN A RESIDENT OF TEXAS CONTINUOUSLY SINCE ~~MM~~ 1932, AND THAT I AM A WIDOW.

(TX)

*Mrs T. A. Carter*

MRS T. A. CARTER, RT 4 TYLER, TEXAS  
*Box 1312*

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN TO BEFORE ME, this 6 day of NOV A. D. 1954

(L. S.)

*J. E. Wallace*

Notary Public in and for SMITH County, Texas.

The Odco Company, Publishers, Dallas

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# HOLMES BROTHERS

FUNERAL HOME

JACKSONVILLE, TEXAS

August 4, 1964.

Mr. Robert S. Calvert,  
Comptroller of Public Accounts,  
State of Texas,  
Austin, Texas.

Dear Sir:

Enclosed please find proof of death and a statement of the funeral expenses for Mrs. Nancy M. Carter, deceased. Mrs. Carter was a Confederate pensioner.

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CLERK J  
AUSTIN, TEXAS

Very truly yours,

Holmes Bros. Funeral Home

By: *Pickett S. Holmes*  
Pickett S. Holmes



**HOLMES BROTHERS  
FUNERAL HOME**

Telephone 2213

Jacksonville, Texas

July 30, 1964.

Mrs. Nancy Mero Carter Estate  
(Widow Confederate Veteran Thos. A. Carter)  
Pension # 52075, Smith County

To:

Funeral service for Mrs. Nancy M. Carter:

Funeral services including casket as selected, preparation of remains, use of necessary equipment, securing necessary permits, care of and arranging flowers, providing acknowledgement cards, and other professional services ----- \$890.00  
 Dress ----- 39.50  
 Opening & closing grave(cash outlay) 15.00

Total ----- \$944.50

July 31, 1964

Paid by Cherokee Burial Ins. \$150.00

August 1, 1964

Paid by Mrs. Annie B. Dark 594.50 744.50

Balance ----- \$200.00

This is a true and correct statement regarding the funeral expenses for Mrs. Nancy M. Carter.

Holmes Bros. Funeral Home  
By: *Pickett S. Holmes*  
Pickett S. Holmes, Partner

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State of Texas  
County of Cherokee

On August 3, 1964 appeared Pickett S. Holmes who subscribed and swore that the statement made concerning the funeral expenses for Mrs. Nancy M. Carter, deceased is true and correct.

Subscribed and sworn to this 3rd Day of August 1964.

*Daisy Stone*

Notary Public  
Cherokee County, Texas.

**DAISY STONE, Notary Public**  
Cherokee County, Texas

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Comptroller of Public Accounts  
State of Texas  
Austin

ROBERT S. CALVERT  
COMPTROLLER

August 5, 1964

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CLERK J  
AUSTIN, TEXAS

Mrs. Grover Dark  
Route 4, Box 132  
Tyler, Texas

Dear Mrs. Dark:

I am returning your letter of August 4, 1964, for I believe that the date given, on which your mother died, is incorrect.

Please advise me the name under which she was drawing the pension and the type of pension, Old Age Assistance or Confederate?

Sincerely yours,

*Robert S. Calvert*  
Robert S. Calvert  
Comptroller of Public Accounts

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Enclosure



Dear Sir, I am so sorry not to have given the correct information but I lost my husband & mother both within 16 days of each other - my mother's name was Mrs. J. A. Carter Route 4 Box 128 she drew a Confederate pension, I know the State paid \$200<sup>00</sup> on burial but it costs so much for funerals - Yours truly Mrs. Grover Dark  
The date of July 30<sup>th</sup> is correct buried July 31<sup>st</sup>

September 24, 1964

Mrs. Grover Dark  
Rt. 4, Box 132  
Tyler, Texas

Dear Mrs. Dark:

Enclosed please find Special Fund Warrant No. 11058 in the amount of \$200.00 to help defray the funeral expenses of Mrs. T. A. Carter, a deceased Confederate widow.

Sincerely yours,

Robert S. Calvert  
Comptroller of Public Accounts

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Encl.

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August 11, 1964

Mrs. Grover Dark  
Route 4, Box 132  
Tyler, Texas

Dear Mrs. Dark:

Enclosed please find a mortuary application which may be executed to obtain \$200.00 to help defray the funeral expenses of Mrs. T. A. Carter, a deceased Confederate widow.

Please return the State Warrant which was issued to your mother for her pension on the last day of July. This warrant must be cancelled as it reached your mother after she had departed. The above mortuary warrant in the amount of \$200.00 cannot be issued until this department receives the last pension warrant issued.

Sincerely yours,



Robert S. Calvert  
Comptroller of Public Accounts

DS  
Encl.

September 8, 1964

Mrs. Grover Dark  
Route 4, Box 132  
Tyler, Texas

Dear Mrs. Dark:

On August 11, 1964, I forwarded to you an application to be filled out so that a mortuary warrant could be issued to help defray the funeral expenses of Mrs. T. A. Carter. I am enclosing another form in the belief that the one first sent to you may have been lost.

Hoping to receive the form in the near future so that the files in this department may be closed.

Sincerely yours,

Robert S. Calvert  
Comptroller of Public Accounts



HB:ds  
Enclosure

cc: Holmes Brothers Funeral Home  
Jacksonville, Texas



Comptroller of Public Accounts  
State of Texas  
Austin

ROBERT S. CALVERT  
COMPTROLLER

September 8, 1964

IN YOUR REPLY PLEASE REFER

TO DIVISION NO. \_\_\_\_\_

FILE NO. \_\_\_\_\_

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STATE COMPTROLLER  
SEP 16 1964  
CLERK B  
AUSTIN, TEXAS

Mrs. Grover Dark  
Route 4, Box 132  
Tyler, Texas

Dear Mrs. Dark:

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Hoping to receive the form in the near future so that the files in this department may be closed.

Sincerely yours,

*Robert S. Calvert*  
Robert S. Calvert  
Comptroller of Public Accounts

HB:ds  
Enclosure

cc: Holmes Brothers Funeral Home  
Jacksonville, Texas

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Robt. S. Calvert, I beg your pardon I did receive the form but didn't look it over very close thinking you only wanted the check that I had of my mother's & I sent it to you or returned it but I am filling out the form will have to get a notary to ~~be~~ over

Notarize it get the Dr. to fill it out then  
send it to Holmes Bro. Funeral Home to  
be filled out-

Sorry about the delay -

Mrs. Grover Dark




Route 4, Box 132,  
Tyler, Texas.  
Nov. 8, 1954.

Robert S. Calvert Comptroller  
Austin, Texas. Div. 17.

Dear Sirs,

Enclosed you will find a notarized affidavit as to the length of time my mother, Mrs. J. A. Carter has resided in Texas, with her address and also that she is a widow.

Am thanking you in  advance and am sure you will give it due consideration.

Yours truly,  
Mrs. J. P. Dark-

November 10, 1954

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Mrs. T. A. Carter  
Route 4, Box 132  
Tyler, Texas

Dear Mrs. Carter:

I am in receipt of a letter from your daughter, Mrs. J. P. Dark enclosing your affidavit as to your residence in Texas and your being a widow at this time.

Under a late amendment to the Confederate Pension Law you are eligible to a Confederate Pension, and I am approving your application filed in this office in March, 1932 which was rejected on account of your age.

Under the present law the first payment that can be made will be for the month of December, 1954 and warrants are mailed out of this office on the last day of each month. However, due to the Christmas holidays the December warrants are mailed out about December 23rd. After that time they are mailed out on the last day of the month. Payments will be \$100.00 per month.

I am enclosing a formal notice of the approval of your application

Very truly yours,

Robert S. Calvert  
Comptroller of Public Accounts.

/cc  
encl.



November 4, 1954

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Mrs. J. P. Dark  
Route 4 Box 132  
Tyler, Texas

Dear Mrs. Dark:

I am in receipt of your letter of November 2 in which you ask that the application of Mrs. T. A. Carter, widow of Thomas Abraham Carter, be reconsidered under the late amendment to the Confederate Pension Law.

The records show that Mrs. Carter filed an application for Confederate Pension in March, 1932, but the same was rejected on account of the date of her birth.

If Mrs. Carter wishes this office to consider her application under the late amendment to the law, then she should file an affidavit showing whether or not she has been a resident of the State of Texas continuously since the filing of her application in 1932, and as to whether or not she is a widow at this time. She should also furnish her present address.

On receipt of the affidavit the application of Mrs. Carter will have due consideration.

Very truly yours,

Robert S. Calvert  
Comptroller of Public Accounts



/cc

January 8, 1945

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Mrs. Thelma Garrett, Field Worker  
 State Department of Public Welfare  
 210 Old Courthouse  
 Dallas 2, Texas

Dear Mrs. Garrett:            Re. Nancy M. (Thos. Abraham) Carter

I have your letter of January 4, in which you request information in regard to the right of Mrs. Nancy M. Carter, as a Confederate Pensioner, on the military service record of her deceased husband, Thos. Abraham Carter as a Confederate Soldier.

You are advised that on March 26, 1932 Mrs. T. A. Carter of Tyler, Smith County, filed application for Confederate Pension which was rejected on account of her age. She was much too young to be eligible for pension under the law of this State.

The requirement of the present law is that in order for the widow of a Confederate Soldier to be eligible for pension, she must be a woman born prior to January 1, 1873. Mrs. Carter's application for pension shows that she was born October 14, 1874. It was for this reason that her application for pension was rejected. Mrs. Carter was notified of this fact at the time her application had been rejected and she has had the same notice several times through her County Judge and through the Hon. Lindley Beckworth, Member of Congress.

I do not understand why Mrs. T. A. Carter continues to have persons write this office when she has been notified so many times that she is not eligible for Confederate Pension under the present law. If she ever becomes eligible for pension, it must be by some future act of the Texas Legislature.

Yours very truly,



Geo. H. Sheppard  
 Comptroller of Public Accounts.

JHT:EE

July 16, 1943.

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Hon. R. P. Power  
County Judge, Smith County  
Tyler, Texas

Dear Judge Powers:

I acknowledge receipt of your letter of July 15 in which you state that Mrs. T. A. Carter, widow of Thomas A. Carter, a Confederate Soldier, wishes to know if she will be eligible for Confederate Pension under the new amendment to the law.

I am very sorry to advise that Mrs. Carter will not be eligible for Confederate Pension under the new law as the Forty-eighth Legislature made no change whatever in the age or date of birth of widows of Confederate Soldiers who are eligible for pension.

In order for the widow of a Confederate Soldier to be eligible for pension, she must be a woman born prior to January 1, 1873 and must comply with all other requirements of the law. The fact that Mrs. Carter is 69 years of age and married Mr. Carter in December 1899 would in no way make her eligible for pension.

In an application for pension filed by Mrs. T. A. Carter in March, 1932 she stated she was born October 14, 1874 and it was on account of her date of birth that her application at that time was rejected.

Yours very truly,

Geo. H. Sheppard  
Comptroller of Public Accounts.

JHT:EE



June 1, 1936.

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Hon. Brady P. Gentry  
County Judge  
Tyler, Texas.

Dear Judge Gentry:

This will acknowledge receipt of your letter of May 29 in regard to the application for Confederate Pension filed by Mrs. T. A. ~~(Annie E.)~~ Carter.

The application of Mrs. Carter was filed on March 26, 1932 and it was rejected on the same date for the reason Mrs. Carter stated in answer to Question No. 1 that she was born on October 14, 1874 and that her age at that time was fifty-seven years. It was for this reason her application was rejected.

The requirement of the Confederate Pension law is that in order for the widow of a Confederate Soldier to be eligible for pension she must be a woman born prior to January 1, 1873. I refer you to Article 6205, page 435 General Laws of Texas, 1931, passed by the Forty-second Legislature, Regular Session.

In order that you may be further advised as to the information given Mrs. Carter in regard to her application for pension, I inclose you a copy of my letter to her dated April 4, 1932.

Yours very truly,

JHT:E

Comptroller of Public  
Accounts.



April 4, 1932.

17

Mrs. Annie Belle Carter,  
Route 5, Box 94,  
Tyler, Texas.

Dear Mrs. Carter:

I am in receipt of your letter of April 1st, in regard to an application for pansion filed by you in March, 1932.

This is to advise the requirement of the pension law of this State is that in order for the widow of a Confederate soldier to be eligible for pension, she must be a woman born prior to January 1, 1873.

On account of your age your application for pension was rejected.

Under the bill adopted by the Forty-second Legislature, which became effective on may 28, 1931 every Confederate soldier who was a pensioner and who at that time had a living wife was entitled to \$50.00 per month. No part of this pension was being paid to the wives of Conferate soldiers under this law. The soldier simply drew \$50.00 per month because he had a living wife.

Yours very truly,

JHT:E.

Comptroller of Public  
Accounts.



October 21, 1958

Veterans Administration  
Veterans Benefits Office  
Munitions Building  
Washington 25, D. C.

XC-21,012,190  
CARTER, Thomas A.  
3072-212B

Mrs. T. A. Carter (Widow) # 52075

Gentlemen:

The records of this office show the following information:

VETERAN - Thomas Abraham Carter, deceased, also shown as T. A. Carter # 27447  
Date of Birth - Not stated. He was 67 years old in April, 1914.  
Place of Birth - In the State of Mississippi  
Date of Death - March 20, 1932 in Smith County, Texas

ORGANIZATION - Enlisted in spring of 1864 and disbanded at the close of the War in 1865. Served in Co. G, 9th Battalion, Texas Reserve Corps under Captain E. R. Rucker and Col. Jamerson. First organized as Cavalry and later changed to Infantry. Rank: private.

The application for pension of T. A. Carter was approved on his sworn statements, and on the affidavits of witnesses who claimed they served in the same organization with Mr. Carter. Mr. Carter drew a pension from the State of Texas until his death in March, 1932.

WIDOW - Mrs. T. A. Carter (Widow) # 52075  
Date of Birth - October 14, 1874  
Place of Birth - Not stated  
Date of Marriage to T. A. Carter - December 7, 1899 in Smith County, Texas.  
Marriage Ended by death of Mr. T. A. Carter in March, 1932.

The application for pension of Mrs. Carter was approved on her sworn statements, and on affidavits of witnesses, and on the military service of her deceased husband. Mrs. Carter is receiving a pension from the State of Texas at the present time.

Yours very truly,

Robert S. Calvert  
Comptroller of Public Accounts

encl.



March 26, 1952

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Mrs. T. A. Carter,  
Route 5,  
Tyler, Texas.

Dear Mrs. Carter:

I am in receipt of your application for pension, but I am sorry to advise that under the present law you are not eligible for pension on account of your age.

The requirement of the law is that in order for the widow of a Confederate soldier to be eligible for pension, she must be a woman born prior to January 1, 1873. Your application shows you were born October 14, 1874 and on account of your age your application must be rejected.

Yours very truly,

JHP:E.

Comptroller of Public  
Accounts.



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March 23, 1932.

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Mrs. T. A. Carter,  
Route 5, Box 94,  
Tyler, Texas.

Dear Mrs. Carter:

I am in receipt of your letter of March 22nd, enclosing application for Mortuary warrant on account of the death of your husband, T. A. Carter, a Confederate pensioner.

A Mortuary warrant for \$100.00 has been issued and will be mailed under separate cover.

Enclosed find application blank to be executed by you before the County Judge of the county of your residence. It will not be necessary for you to answer the questions where the pension file number of Mr. Carter has been inserted.

When the application has been completed, return to this office and your right to a pension will have due consideration.

Yours very truly,

Comptroller of Public  
Accounts.

JHT:E  
encl.



*Carter*

Route 5, Box 94,  
Tyler, Texas,  
March 22, 1952.

Geo. H. Sheppard, Comp.  
Austin, Texas.

Dear Sir,

We are sending a mortuary certificate in for my husband, J. A. Carter and now I want to know if I'll have to make a new application to receive my monthly check or what will I have to do. Would like for you to send me full particulars. Also would like to know where we must apply to get a marble cornerstone or marker for his grave.

Yours truly,  
Mrs. J. A. Carter.

*Handwritten initials*

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VETERANS ADMINISTRATION  
 VETERANS BENEFITS OFFICE  
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 WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

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 Austin, Texas

OCT 15 1958

YOUR FILE REFERENCE:

IN REPLY REFER TO:

Comptroller of Public Accounts  
 State of Texas  
 Austin, Texas

XC-21,012,190  
 CARTER, Thomas A.  
 3072-212B

Dear Sir:

This office is endeavoring to verify the service of Thomas Abraham Carter in connection with a claim for death pension filed by Mrs. Nancy M. Carter, Route 4, Box 128, Tyler, Texas, as widow of a Confederate veteran.

The date of entrance on active duty from Smith County, Texas, is unknown. It is shown that the veteran was separated from service on July 31, 1865 at Marshall, Texas, a Private, G Company, 9th Battalion, Texas Regiment, R 6 (?), Smith County, Texas.

Mrs. Carter's Confederate State Pension number is shown to be 52075.

In an effort to assist the widow, it would be appreciated if you furnish a certification as to any service which your records show that Thomas Abraham Carter may have had, including, if possible, the date of entering into active service, serial number, and character of separation or discharge; also, the veteran's last grade, rate or rank and organization.

In addition, it will be appreciated if you furnish your certification on the enclosed VA Form 8-4184 as to the content of the documents in your file to establish proof of:

1. Age of the claimant.

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 27447

Very truly yours,

*E. E. Johnston*  
 E. E. JOHNSTON  
 Director, Claims Service



Encl: (1)

February 10, 1941

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Miss Ellener Carter  
Route 1  
Flint, Texas.

Dear Miss Carter:

Replying to your letter of February 7, the records of this office show T. A. Carter drew a Confederate Pension from the State of Texas under file number 27447 Smith County until his death in 1932.

He was a private in Company G, 9th Battalion of Texas Reserve Corps, under Col. Jemerson and Captain E. P. Rucker, Cavalry and later Infantry. He enlisted in the spring of 1864 and served until May, 1865. A private.

The records also show Mrs. T. A. Carter, not borne as Nancy N. Carter, filed application for Confederate Pension in March, 1932 and at that time she stated in her application that she was born October 14, 1874, Age 57 years. Her application was rejected on account of being too young, under the law, to receive a pension.

Yours very truly,

JHT:EE

Geo. H. Sheppard  
Comptroller of Public Accounts.



December 28, 1939

17

Honorable Lindley Beckworth, M. C.  
Third District of Texas  
Gilmer, Texas.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your letter of December 18 in regard to an application for Confederate Pension executed and filed by Mrs. T. A. Carter of Tyler, Smith County, Texas in March, 1932.

You are advised in order for the widow of a Confederate Soldier to be eligible for pension under the law of Texas, she must be a woman born prior to January 1, 1873.

It appears from the application filed by Mrs. Carter she was born October 14, 1874, and it was on account of the requirement of the law that her application was rejected.

Mrs. Eleanor Carter of Flint, Texas is in error in the statement that her Mother, Mrs. T. A. Carter drew a Confederate Pension before the death of her husband, T. A. Carter. Mr. Carter drew a pension of \$50.00 per month because of the fact he had a living wife with whom he was living and supporting. The wife of a Confederate Soldier could never become a Confederate Pensioner under the law of Texas, until she is a widow and can comply with all requirements of the law.

Yours very truly,

JHT:EE

Geo. H. Sheppard  
Comptroller of Public Accounts.



Route 5, Box 94,  
Tyler, Texas,  
April 1, 1932.

Mr. Geo. H. Sheppard,  
Austin, Texas.

Dear Sir,

In reply to your letter of March will say that I appreciate very much the service rendered in my efforts to secure a pension. I was very much disappointed that I didn't receive it and would like to know by what act my husband could draw the <sup>\$25.00</sup> Twenty five dollars per month for me and <sup>\$25.00</sup> for him self and now after his death when I need it worse than ever before I don't even get my part of it, in what way do they think I can make a living with out his <sup>\$25.00</sup> or mine either.

Hoping to hear from you at once I remain,

yours truly,  
Annie Belle Carter



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# COUNTY OF SMITH STATE OF TEXAS

WALTER G. RUSSELL, JUDGE 7TH JUDICIAL DIST.  
NAT W. BROOKS, JUDGE SPECIAL DIST COURT  
FRANK BEZONI, DISTRICT ATTORNEY  
JOHN Y. LAWHON, COUNTY ATTORNEY  
TOM C. SIKES, SHERIFF  
CLARK SPARKS, DISTRICT CLERK  
J. J. PIERCE, TAX ASSESSOR-COLLECTOR  
A. P. PRESTWOOD, COUNTY AUDITOR



BRADY P. GENTRY, COUNTY JUDGE  
W. R. WARD, COUNTY CLERK  
MRS. W. A. LUCKY, COUNTY TREASURER  
J. R. HAWES, COUNTY SURVEYOR  
R. S. BOULTER, COUNTY SUPERINTENDENT  
H. L. CARTER, COMMISSIONER PREC. NO. 1  
T. O. DRAKE, COMMISSIONER PREC. NO. 2  
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TYLER, TEXAS  
May 29th, 1936.

Hon. George H. Sheppard,  
Comptroller of Public Accounts,  
Austin, Texas.

Pension division

Dear Mr. Sheppard:

Mrs. Nancy M. Carter of Flint, Texas, is the widow of a Confederate veteran, Thomas A. Carter. You have the record of Thomas A. Carter as he was on the Texas State Pension Roll up to the time of his death. The application of Mrs. Carter, I have been informed, was rejected by your office.

Mrs. Nancy Carter was born in September, 1872, and married Mr. Carter in 1889. She is still a widow.

I would be pleased to have you inform me on what ground her former application was rejected by your office and what proofs you would have to have before re-considering the same.

Yours very truly,

*Brady P. Gentry*  
Judge, Smith County, Texas.





LINDLEY BECKWORTH  
3d DISTRICT TEXASCOMMITTEES:  
CIVIL SERVICE  
INSULAR AFFAIRS  
MINES AND MINING  
EXPENDITURES IN THE EXECUTIVE  
DEPARTMENTSCongress of the United States  
House of Representatives  
Washington, D. C.Gilmer, Texas  
Route #1  
Dec. 18, 1939Mr. Geo. H. Sheppard  
State Comptroller  
Austin, Texas

Dear Mr. Sheppard:

Recently, I received a letter from a constituent of mine, Miss Ellener Carter of Flint, Texas, relative to a pension for her mother, Mrs. Nancy M. Carter, the pertinent portion of which I quote:

"I am writing in regards to my mother drawing a Confederate pension. She married T. A. Carter on Dec. 19, 1899, and lived with him until his death March 20, 1932. There was born seven children to them.

"At the time of his death he was drawing Fifty Dollars a month, twenty five dollars for him and twenty five dollars for her. At his death we tried to get the pension for her but were unable to. She was born Oct. 14, 1874.

"It seems to me that if she was able to draw while he lived, she would need it worse at his death. My mother's name is Mrs. Nancy M. Carter.

"My father's pension number was 27447. He enlisted in the spring of 1864 and served until May 1865. He was a Private in Company G. 9th Battalion of Texas Reserve Corps of Cavalry and later changed to Infantry C. S. A."

I shall appreciate your giving me the status of the above case and advising me whether or not Mrs. Carter is eligible to receive the pension formerly drawn by her husband.

Very sincerely,



LINDLEY BECKWORTH

LB/j

27447  
Smith

Route # 1  
Flint, Texas  
Feb. 7, 1941

Hon. Sec. H. Sheppard,  
Comptroller, Austin, Tex.  
Dear Sir;

Please search your  
record of J. A. Carter of  
Tyler, Texas, Smith Co, who  
is listed with your conf-  
ederate pension under file  
No. 27447 until his death  
in the year of 1932.

What year did his widow  
(Mrs. Nancy M. Carter) put in  
her application for the  
pension and what year did  
she state she was born  
in.

Thanking you & remain  
yours truly  
(Miss) Edna Carter

1932

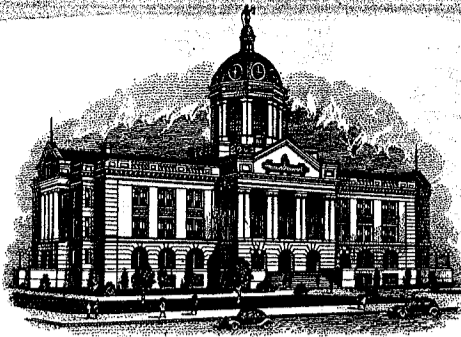
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STATE OF TEXAS COUNTY OF SMITH

R. P. POWER  
COUNTY JUDGE

TYLER, TEXAS

July 15, 1943

Mr. George H. Sheppard  
State Comptroller  
Austin, Texas

Dear Mr. Sheppard:

Mrs. T. A. Carter, a citizen of this County and the widow of Thomas A. Carter, a Confederate Veteran, wishes to know whether or not she is eligible to receive a widow's pension.

Mrs. Carter is 69 years of age and married Thomas A. Carter in December 1899, and lived with him until his death.

Thanking you for this information, I am

Yours very truly,

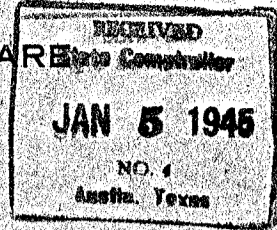
R. P. Power  
County Judge



RPP:lg

27447  
Smith

STATE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WELFARE



No 18135 Mortuary

210 Old Courthouse  
Dallas 2, Texas  
January 4, 1945

State Comptroller  
Austin, Texas

Re: Nancy M. Carter.

Dear Sir:

Recently I interviewed Mr. Nancy M. Carter at her home in Dallas. She is now receiving Old Age Assistance. She tells me that she is a widow of a Civil War veteran, and that both she and her husband, Thos. Abraam Carter, received a pension before his death, March 5, 1932, but since his death she has not received any funds from this source. At that time she was living at Route 5, Tyler, Texas.

Would you please tell us the status of this case at the present time, why she was denied a pension after having received it for several years?

She states that she was legally married to Mr. Carter, and that she lived with him for more than thirty years. She previously made an attempt to learn why her pension was discontinued, but her explanation of this is very vague.

I wish to express my appreciation for any assistance that you may be give me in clearing this matter up.

Yours very truly,

*Thelma Garrett*  
Mrs. Thelma Garrett, Field Worker

TG:ad



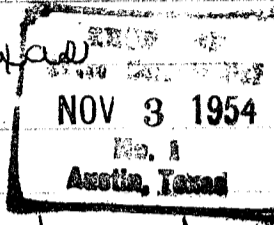
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Route 4, Box 132,

Tyler, Texas,


Nov. 2, 1954.

Mr. Robert S. Calvert,  
State Comptroller of Texas  
Austin, Texas.



Dear Sir:

I am writing you to get some information and to see if it is possible for a widow of a Confederate Veteran, who is 80 years of age to get a Confederate pension -

My father Thomas Abraham Carter who was a Confederate soldier and who received the pension for many years prior to his death in  1920 married my mother

Nancy M Sneed on Dec. 17<sup>th</sup>  
1899, she bore seven (7)  
children for him & lived  
with him until his death.

The law at that time was  
that a widow who was not  
born by 1873 could not draw  
the pension so she has never  
been able to get it.

I wonder & would appreciate  
it very much if you would  
investigate and see if the  
law has been changed and,  
if not could you advise  
us how to go about getting  
it or if something can't be  
done to amend the law ~~it~~  
so much as there is such  
an accumulation of funds

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in the treasury and she &  
her children have helped  
pay the taxes for that fund  
it seems that she should  
be entitled to draw it the  
remainder of her days -

would appreciate hearing  
from you soon & thanking  
you in advance - I am  
Mrs. J. P. Dark





CERTIFICATE OF DEATH

STATE OF TEXAS  
 1. PLACE OF DEATH  
 a. COUNTY **Smith**  
 b. CITY OR TOWN (if outside city limits, give precinct no.) **Precinct 2**  
 c. LENGTH OF STAY (in days) **88yr's.**  
 d. NAME OF (if not in hospital, give street address) HOSPITAL OR INSTITUTION **Rte. 4 Tyler Texas**  
 e. IS PLACE OF DEATH INSIDE CITY LIMITS? YES  NO

2. USUAL RESIDENCE (Where deceased lived. If institution: residence before admission)  
 a. STATE **Texas**  
 b. COUNTY **Smith**  
 c. CITY OR TOWN (if outside city limits, give precinct no.) **Precinct 2**  
 d. STREET ADDRESS (if rural, give location) **Rte. 4 Tyler**  
 e. IS RESIDENCE INSIDE CITY LIMITS? YES  NO

3. NAME OF DECEASED (Type or print) (e) First (b) Middle (c) Last  
**Nancy Mxxx Maro Certer**  
 4. DATE OF DEATH **7-30-1964**

5. SEX **Female**  
 6. COLOR OR RACE **White**  
 7.  Married  Never Married  Widowed  Divorced

8. DATE OF BIRTH **10-14-1874**  
 9. AGE (in years last birthday) **89**  
 10. USUAL OCCUPATION (Give kind of work done during most of working life, even if retired) **Housewife**  
 10b. KIND OF BUSINESS OR INDUSTRY **Home**

11. BIRTHPLACE (State or foreign country) **s. Carolina**  
 12. CITIZEN OF WHAT COUNTRY? **U.S.A.**

13. FATHER'S NAME **John R. Sneed**  
 14. MOTHER'S MAIDEN NAME **Georgia Ann Sharp**

15. WAS DECEASED EVER IN U.S. ARMED FORCES? (Yes, no, or unknown) **no**  
 16. SOCIAL SECURITY NO. **-----**

17. INFORMANT **Mrs. Annie Bell Sharp**

18. CAUSE OF DEATH [Enter only one cause per line for (a), (b), and (c).]  
 PART I. DEATH WAS CAUSED BY:  
 IMMEDIATE CAUSE (a) **Streptococcal Throat Infection**  
 DUE TO (b) \_\_\_\_\_  
 DUE TO (c) \_\_\_\_\_

19. WAS AUTOPSY PERFORMED? YES  NO   
 INTERVAL BETWEEN ONSET AND DEATH **4 Days.**

20a. ACCIDENT  SUICIDE  HOMICIDE   
 20b. DESCRIBE HOW INJURY OCCURRED. (Enter nature of injury in Part I or Part II of item 18.)  
 20c. TIME OF INJURY a.m. \_\_\_\_\_ p.m. \_\_\_\_\_  
 20d. INJURY OCCURRED WHILE AT WORK  NOT WHILE AT WORK   
 20e. PLACE OF INJURY (e.g., in or about home, farm, factory, street, office building, etc.) \_\_\_\_\_  
 20f. CITY, TOWN, OR LOCATION \_\_\_\_\_ COUNTY \_\_\_\_\_ STATE \_\_\_\_\_

21. I hereby certify that I attended the deceased from **7-19** to **7-30** and last saw the deceased alive on **7-30** at **1:00 a.m.** on the date stated above, and to the best of my knowledge, from the causes stated.  
 22a. SIGNATURE \_\_\_\_\_  
 22b. ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_  
 22c. DATE SIGNED **7-30-64**

23a. BURIAL, CREMATION, REMOVAL (Specify) **Burial**  
 23b. DATE **7-31-1964**  
 23c. NAME OF CEMETERY OR CREMATORY **Bullard Texas Barron Cemetery**

24. FUNERAL DIRECTOR'S SIGNATURE **Holms Bro's. F.H. (P.S.Holms2212)**

25a. REGISTRAR'S FILE NO. **308**  
 25b. DATE REC'D BY LOCAL REGISTRAR **8-1-1964**  
 25c. REGISTRAR'S SIGNATURE **J.P. Dawson Horton JP.Pot.2**

This is a certified copy made from the original and filed in my Office, Date **7-6-1964** Pct. **2** Co. **Smith** State **Texas**  
 J.P. Dawson Horton  
 52075

**IF DECEASED SERVED IN U.S. ARMED FORCES, FILL OUT THE FOLLOWING:**

Is the deceased reported to have been in such service?
Name of organization in which service was rendered?
Serial number of discharge papers or adjusted service certificate?
Name of next of kin or of next friend?
Post Office Address?

**IF DECEASED WAS MARRIED, FILL OUT THE FOLLOWING:**

Name of husband or wife	Age in years
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**IF DECEASED IS AN UNIDENTIFIED PERSON, FILL OUT THE FOLLOWING:**

Color of Hair?	Color of Eyes?	Height?		Weight?
		Ft.	In.	
Deformities?		Tattoo Marks?		
Other marks of identification?				

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Approved 9-16-64  
H. Beecher

STECK-AUSTIN

APPLICATION FOR MORTUARY WARRANT

THE STATE OF TEXAS,

County of Smith } I, Mrs. Grover Dark

do hereby certify that I am the person to whom is entrusted the paying of the accounts and indebtedness of the late Mrs. J. A. Carter, who was a pensioner of the State of Texas, and whose file number was 52075 and whose original county was Smith

The said pensioner Mrs. J. A. Carter, died on the 30<sup>th</sup> day of July, 1964, in the town of Flint Texas County of Smith, Texas.

The pensioner died in the home of Mrs. Jessie L. Cook who was related to the pensioner as daughter

That the warrant, which application is hereby made for, shall be applied to paying all or part of the funeral expenses incurred by the said pensioner. Part of funeral Expenses

I further certify that the warrant for the current month has not been cashed by the pensioner, to the best of my knowledge and belief.

I am related to the pensioner as daughter that my postoffice address is Route 4 Box 132 Street or R. F. D. Tyler City Texas State

Signed Mrs. Grover Dark  
Sworn to before me this 14 day of September 1964  
Emy Fielding  
Notary Public in and for Smith State of Texas.

CERTIFICATE OF UNDERTAKER

I, Pickett S. Holmes, do certify that I am undertaker in the town of Jacksonville, County of Cherokee, State of Texas that I had charge of the body of Mrs. T.A. Carter, who died in the town of Flint, County of Smith, State of Texas on the 30th day of July 1964. That said body was prepared for burial by me on the 30th day of July 1964, and that I am of the opinion that warrant herein applied for should be issued to the said Mrs. Grover Dark who makes the foregoing application.

Signed Pickett S. Holmes Undertaker.

CERTIFICATE OF PHYSICIAN



I, M.F. Roper, do certify that I am a practicing physician, and that I attended Mrs. T.A. Carter in his last illness, and am of the opinion that his ailments were Streptococcal Throat Infection

I further certify that I am of the opinion that the Mortuary Warrant above requested should be issued in the name of the aforementioned applicant, in accordance with Act passed by the Thirty-eighth Legislature and approved March 2, 1923.

Signed M.F. Roper, MD.  
Physician's Address Dullard, Texas