
Robert Thomas Wallingford

Notes

When Robert Thomas (called Tom) was about 9 years old, he had pneumonia, was very ill and died, or so they thought. In those days, they did not embalm; they cleaned up and dressed the deceased as best they could; placed them on a table or pine coffin until family members could get there. Before they could hold the service and bury him, someone saw him move. Apparently he slipped into a little coma or something; anyway, he did not die until many years later and death was due to pneumonia at that time too.

Tom was a farmer and served several terms as Sheriff of Waller County, TX. He was also Sunday School Superintendent at the Baptist Church where the family attended.

He and my grandmother, "Jenny" or Aunt Jenny, are both buried in Field's Store Cemetery, Waller Co., Texas.

Sources: Addie B. Wallingford Vanderstay (dau); Wallingford family bible; Field's Store cemetery.
