

## Cummings Family History

Four siblings, William, James, John and Rebecca Cumings, were in the Colony of Three Hundred settlers that accompanied Stephen F. Austin to Texas in 1821. A hacienda (20,000 acres) was granted to these four Cummings in return for their construction of a mill. Some records suggest they received two haciendas (40,000 acres).

William Cumings



Samuel Cumings



Samuel Cumings (yes, there were two. Father and son)



Frank Cumings who married Lucy Glenn (from a neighbor family in Bellville, Texas)



Glenn Souter Cumings

Lucian (married Florence)

Frankie (married Trevor Currie)

Ethel (never married)



Glenn Malcolm who married Madlyn Elizabeth Newsome and put a second “m” in Cummings



James Scott (married Ellen Brottenberg)

Don Carroll (married Bonnie Bailey)

Paul Quillian (married Sylvia Coker)

Lucy Linda (married Wesley Kilmer)

Suzanne Elizabeth (died shortly after birth)

Timothy Christopher (married Kathleen McComb)

Frank was buried in the family crypt in Bellville, but was later disinterred and reburied in the cemetery in Littleton, Colorado where his wife Lucy (Momma Lucy), and three of his children (Glen, Frankie and Ethel) are buried.

There are one or perhaps two places left in the family crypt and Glenn Malcolm was next in line to be buried there. Instead he was buried in Rusk, Texas.

Rebecca Cumings was engaged to Col. William Barrett Travis at the time he commanded the forces at the Alamo. The engagement ring she gave him is on display at the Alamo museum. Rebecca had a daughter who was also named Rebecca.

In the winter of 1836 William B. Travis wrote a letter to the General Conference of the Methodist Church, scheduled to meet in April, 1836, requesting them to send some Methodist Circuit Riders to help begin Methodist Churches in Tejas. He died at the Alamo before his letter could be read to the General Conference. Six months later, five Methodist circuit riders arrived in the new Republic of Texas to begin their work. One of those five founded First Methodist Church in Houston, which at the time was on a circuit with Galveston. Travis was a Methodist.