



Dr. John H. Stevens (1824-1881)

Dr. John H. Stevens bought 120 acres in the William Myers Section in 1870, shortly after he moved to Texas. He helped finance the first metal bridge across the Trinity, was a farmer and physician. He died here at his home on Thanksgiving Day of 1881.

Stevens was born in the Shenandoah Valley, attended Dickenson College in Carlisle, Pennsylvania, and studied medicine at the University of Virginia. During the Civil War he was Medical Director for the Corps of General John B. Gordon in the Confederate Army. He moved to Texas from Louisiana, where he had served in both houses of the State Legislature.