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Hi Tom, Thanks again for all your time last week.

My brothers Kenneth Bealle Armstrong and John Thomas Armstrong and I (Lynn Armstrong) are 3 of the 5 grandchildren of Martha May Wilburn Armstrong and Thomas Monroe Armstrong Sr. Our father, Thomas Monroe Armstrong, Jr, and mother, Carolyn Elizabeth Webster Armstrong, lived in the "little house" on the family property within yards of the Wilburn family cemetery just after they were married when Dad came home from WWII.

The attached documents show the death certificate of our grandmother and in the cemetery plot placements some of the other children in our grandmother's family.

Church Wilburn (mentioned on the historical marker) was our grandmother's uncle. Uncle Church was just called Church.

Church organized short (100 miles or so) drives. He would contact local ranchers in the Cleburne and Stephenville areas and gather cows for the drive to Fort Worth. Church had several drovers that he normally hired. He and those drovers would gather the herds (maybe 100 or so head) and drive them to the FW stockyards. A couple of days out of FW, Church would go ahead of the drive and arrange for sale of the cattle. He would go back to the ranchers and give them their earnings. Church would sack up each of the hired drover's wages and leave the bags in the crotch of one prearranged tree. When the drovers finished with the drive, they would go to that tree and take their bag and head home.

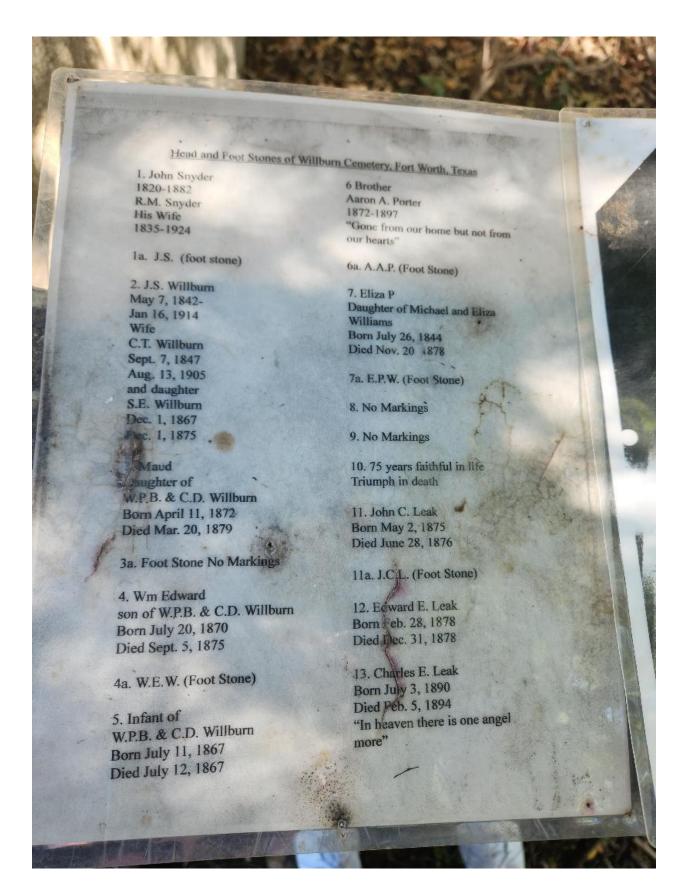
One drive, Church was short a drover and hired on a new hand. The drovers got the herd to FW. The newly hired drover left early and went to the tree and took all of the bags of money. Church went after him, found him and hung him.

Our Dad told this story many times and the details never changed.

Thank you for the resource information that you let me copy. It will be fun to dig deeper.

Have a great Thanksgiving. Lynn

Lynn Armstrong



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