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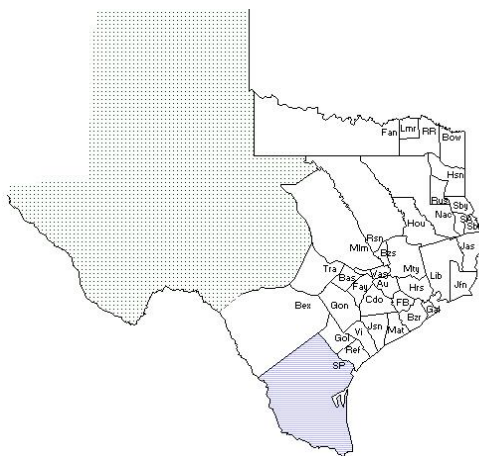
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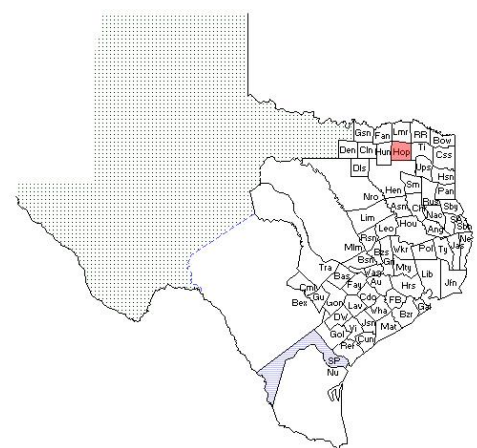
HISTORY OF HOPKINS COUNTY

Though originally inhabited by the Caddo, and later Cherokee Indian tribes, the first evidence found of settlement by white pioneers was 1837. Hopkins County was formally established as a county of Texas in March of 1846 in the northeastern region of the state. The district, named for pioneer David Hopkins, was initially comprised of portions of Lamar and Nacogdoches Counties. Created at the geographic center of the county, as required by law at the time, the town of Tarrant was the original county seat.² By act of the state legislature, the government seat was moved to the current location of Sulphur Springs [previously known as Bright Star] in 1870, during the post-Civil War Reconstruction Era. The land area of the county was reduced several times from the formation in 1846 through 1871, leaving us with the present day boundaries. Hopkins County now encompasses an area of 789 square miles.³



1846 ⁴

[Prior to formation of Hopkins County]



1847 ⁵

Founded in the latter part of the 1840's, Bright Star was a haven for the early settlers with more than 100 natural springs rising up from the ground. After being named the county seat in 1870, the city was renamed to Sulphur Springs in 1871. The new name was useful in the endeavor of marketing the area as a health resort, due to the "healing waters" of the mineral springs which ran freely from beneath the Hopkins County soil. By 1872, a new railroad line had been extended to the town of Mineola, and tourist and settlers were enticed to the area to enjoy the benefits of the healing springs and "Sulphur Baths."⁶

² Fenstermacher, Sam, "Texas Escapes," *Hopkins County, Texas*, (<http://www.texasescapes.com/Counties/Hopkins-County-Texas.htm> : accessed 12 July 2016).

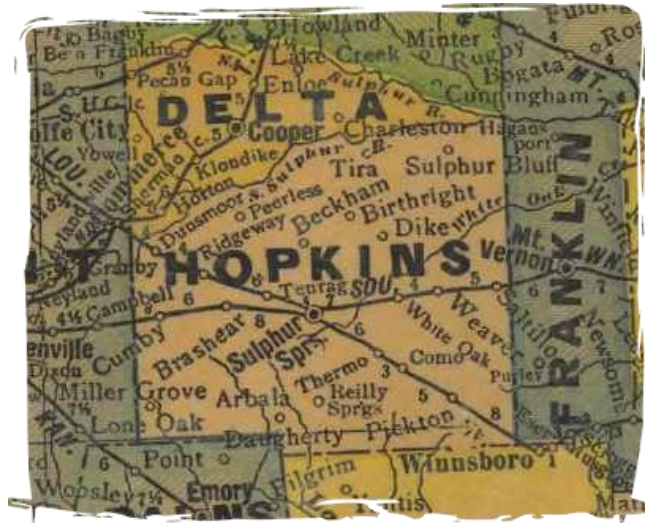
³ Gilbert, Bob and Michelle, "Hopkins County," *Handbook of Texas Online*, (<http://www.tshaonline.org/handbook/online/articles/hch18> : 6 July 2016).

⁴ Map of U.S., "Maps of Texas" *Texas County Formation, 1846*, (<http://www.mapofus.org/texas/> : accessed 12 July 2016).

⁵ Map of U.S., "Maps of Texas" *Texas County Formation, 1847*, (<http://www.mapofus.org/texas/> : accessed 12 July 2016).

⁶ City of Sulphur Springs, *History* (http://www.sulphurspringstx.org/general_information/history.php : accessed 20 July 2016).

COMMUNITIES & TOWNS OF HOPKINS COUNTY



1940's Map illustrating communities within Hopkins County,
along with bordering counties of Delta (north), Franklin (east), Rains (south/southwest), Wood (south) and
Hunt (west) Counties.¹¹



Current Map illustrating communities within Hopkins County,
along with bordering counties of Delta (north), Franklin (east), Rains (south/southwest), Wood (south) and
Hunt (west) Counties.¹²

¹¹ *Hopkins County 1940s Map*; digital image, *Texas Escapes: Hopkins County Maps* (<http://www.texasescapes.com/Counties/Hopkins-County-Texas.htm> : accessed 19 July 2016).

¹² *Hopkins County Map*, digital image, *Texas Almanac* (<http://texasalmanac.com/topics/government/hopkins-county> : accessed 20 July 2016).

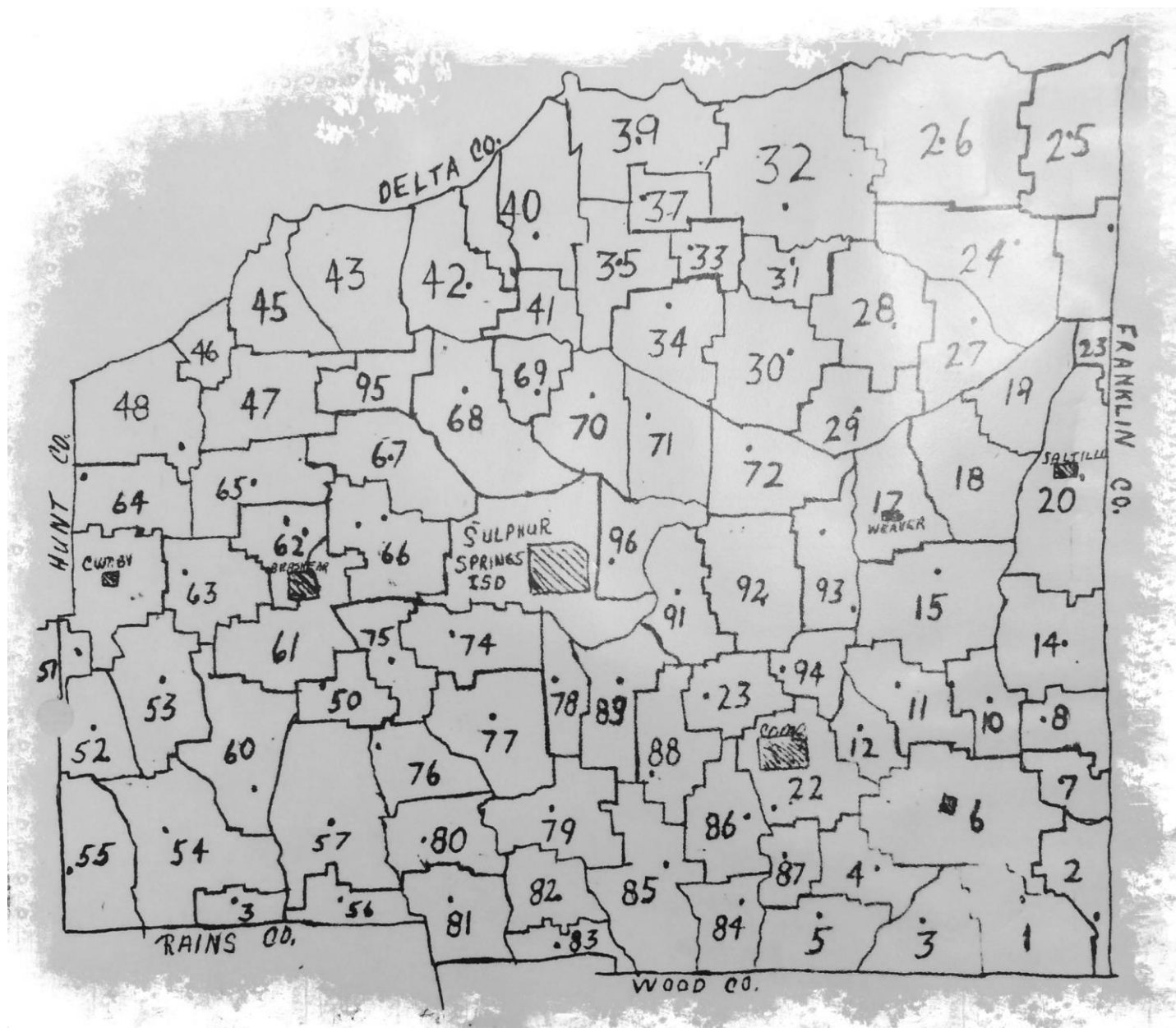
Communities and towns, located within Hopkins County, both current and historic¹³:

Name	Established	Currently Exists	Name	Established	Currently Exists
Addran (Corinth)	1857		Adrin	1850	
Arbala	1857	✓	Ash Grove	1855	
Beckham	1864	✓	Bethel (Askew)	1853	
Birthright (Lone Star)	1870	✓	New Birthright	1948	✓
Black Oak	1854	✓	Bonanza	1870	✓
Booth Hill			Branom	1845	
Branom Creek			Brashear	1898	✓
Brinker	1845	✓	Bucksnot		
Buggy Whip Creek			Camp's Lake		
Caney	1856	✓	Caney Creek		
Century Lake (now combined with Lake Sulphur Springs)			Coffee Creek		
Clendening Creek			Como	1845	✓
Como Oil Field			Connor		✓
Cornersville	1869		Cumby (Black Jack Grove)	1842	✓
Dillon	1903		Divide	1880	✓
Dunsmoor			Emblem	1876	✓
East Caney		✓	Evan's Point	1887	
Fabius	1902		Flora	1860	✓
Forest Academy	ca 1850		Gafford Chapel	1881	✓
Glade Creek			Gold Hill		
Greenpond	1870	✓	Greenview	1845	✓
Greenwood	1859	✓	Gum Pole		
Hager			Harmony		✓
Harris Store (Hurt's Gin)			Hatchettville	1886	✓
Hulsey	ante 1901		Independence	1888	
Kennedy Creek			Lake Coleman	1904	✓
Lake Fork	1871	✓	Line	1902	
Lynch	1901		Mahoney (White Oak)	1900	✓
Macidonia	1885		Martin Springs	1873	✓
Merrid's Creek			Merit Creek		
Mill Branch			Miller Grove	1848	✓

¹³ Adams, Florence Chapman, "Communities in Hopkins County," *Hopkins County and Our Heritage*, (unknown publisher, ca 1976) p. 21-113; digital images, *FamilySearch.org* (https://dcms.lds.org/delivery/DeliveryManagerServlet?dps_pid=IE6215186 : accessed 19 July 2016).

Name	Established	Currently Exists	Name	Established	Currently Exists
Mitchell Creek			Mitchell Creek Oil Field		✓
Mt Zion		✓	Nelta (Pleasant Hill)	1843	✓
New Hope			North Caney (Cherry Grove)		✓
North Hopkins	1943	✓	North Liberty (Mt. Sterling)	1846	✓
Oak Grove (Pleasant Valley)	1850		Oak Dale	1850	
Oakland			Palestine		✓
Park Springs			Peerless	1842	✓
Peeridge			Pickton	1856	✓
Pickton Oil Field			Pine Forest	1853	✓
Pleasant Grove (North)	ca 1870	✓	Pleasant Grove (near Cumby)		✓
Pool Hill			Posey	1846	✓
Putnam Hill			Post Oak Grove	1848	
Post Oak Knob	ante 1909		Reilly Springs	1841	✓
Retina			Richland		✓
Ridgeway	1887	✓	Rock Creek		
Rockdale		✓	Ruff	1899	
Running Creek			Saltillo	1850	✓
Sand Hill (South Sulphur)	1850		Sandifer		
Seymore	1888	✓	Shady Grove	1883	
Sherley / Shirley	1870	✓	Shooks Chapel	1887	✓
Schooley Creek			South Liberty	1859	✓
Springtown			Smith's Lake		
Sulphur Bluff	1842	✓	Sulphur Bluff Oil Field		
Sulphur Springs (county seat)	1854	✓	Sunny Slope		✓
Tarrant (original county seat)	1843	✓	Tasewell	1875	✓
Thermo (Crush)	ante 1910	✓	Tira	1850	✓
Turkey Creek			Union	1856	✓
Vaden Creek			Valparaiso	ante 1903	
Valton	ante 1902		Weaver	1849	✓
Weirville	1930		White Oak (near Weaver)	1847	✓
White Oak Creek			Whie Oak Lake		
Who'd Thought It			Winterfield		✓
Wolfpen			Woodland	1855	
Yesner	ante 1901				

SCHOOL DISTRICTS OF HOPKINS COUNTY



Historic School District Map of Hopkins County, Texas¹⁴

¹⁴ Hopkins County Genealogical Society, "Hopkins County School District Map," *Rural Schools of Hopkins County, Texas, Volume 1*, Sulphur Springs, Texas: self published, unknown date, page not numbered.

Number	School District Name	Currently Exists	Number	School District Name	Currently Exists
1	New Home		2	Cornerville (Grotto)	
3	Black Oak		4	Parks	
5	Cotton Plant		6	Pickton <i>Currently known as Como- Pickton</i>	✓
7	Center Hill		8	Cartright	
9	Coats *		10	Winterfield	
11	Bethel (Woodland, Askew)		12	Elm Ridge	
13	Plymoth *		14	Chautauqua (Gum Pole, Rolph, Greenwood)	
15	Pine Forest (Saratoga, Mt. Pisgah, Bumble Bee)		16	Hickory Hill *	
17	Weaver (White Oak)		18	Evans Point (Daisy)	
19	Prairie Grove (Nubbin Fork, Pull Tight)		20	Saltillo (Twin Groc.)	✓
21	Stouts Creek *		22	Como (aka Carrol's Prairie, Bacchus) <i>Currently known as Como- Pickton</i>	✓
23	Forest Academy		24	Maple Springs	
25	Prairie View (African-American)		26	Sulphur Bluff	✓
27	Hedge		28	Hopewell (Flora)	
29	Caney		30	Dike (Union Valley, Booneville)	
31	Ash Grove		32	Nelta (Kate, Pleasant Hill)	
33	Oak Dale		34	Independence (Cow Head, Hatchetville)	
35	Birthright (Lone Star)		36	Pleasant Valley * (Oak Grove)	
37	Oak Grove (Pleasant Valley)		38	South Sulphur * (Sand Hill)	
39	Dennis Chapel (Tira, Chapman Arms)		40	North Hopkins (Addran, Corinth)	✓
41	Macedonia		42	Crisp (Posey, Reuben)	
43	Peerless (Fairy Land, Hilldale, Gay's Mills)		44	Lindley *	

Number	School District Name	Currently Exists	Number	School District Name	Currently Exists
45	Emblem (Soon-Over)		46	Willow Oak (Branom)	
47	Oakland		48	Branom (Pecan, Greenwood)	
49	Mt. Zion *		50	Cassady	
51	Sunny Point		52	Cross Roads	
53	Palestine		54	Miller Grove	✓
55	Cedar Point #1 (Cedar Point #2)		56	Cold Hill (Bonanza, Fowler's Store)	
57	Greenview		58	Rural *	
59	Divide *		60	Center Point	
61	Brashear (Wise Ranch)		62	Overland	
63	Plunkett		64	Faulk Grove (Branom, Whistle Hill)	
65	Ridgeway		66	Gaffod Chapel (Cedar Grove, Tinrag, Russell)	
67	Bradfield (Antiock)		68	Pleasant Grove	
69	Beckham		70	Tarrant	
71	Mt. Sterling (W. Liberty)		72	Mahoney (White Oak)	
73	Unity *		74	Rock Dale	
75	Paint Rock		76	Barker Springs (Shirley, Frazier)	
77	Shady Grove		78	Park Springs	
79	Union		80	Liberty (S. Liberty)	
81	Arbala (Clifton's Prarie)		82	Seymore (Center Point)	
83	Grubbs		84	Sandifer	
85	Reilly Springs		86	Green Pond	
87	Hickory Grove		88	Star Ridge	
89	Martin Springs		90	Pickens *	
91	Rock Creek		92	Richland (Brinker)	
93	White Oak (Weaver)		94	Wood Springs	
95	Sunny Slope *		96	Thomas (Chicken Bristle)	
	Sulphur Springs	✓		Cumby	✓
	Yantis	✓			

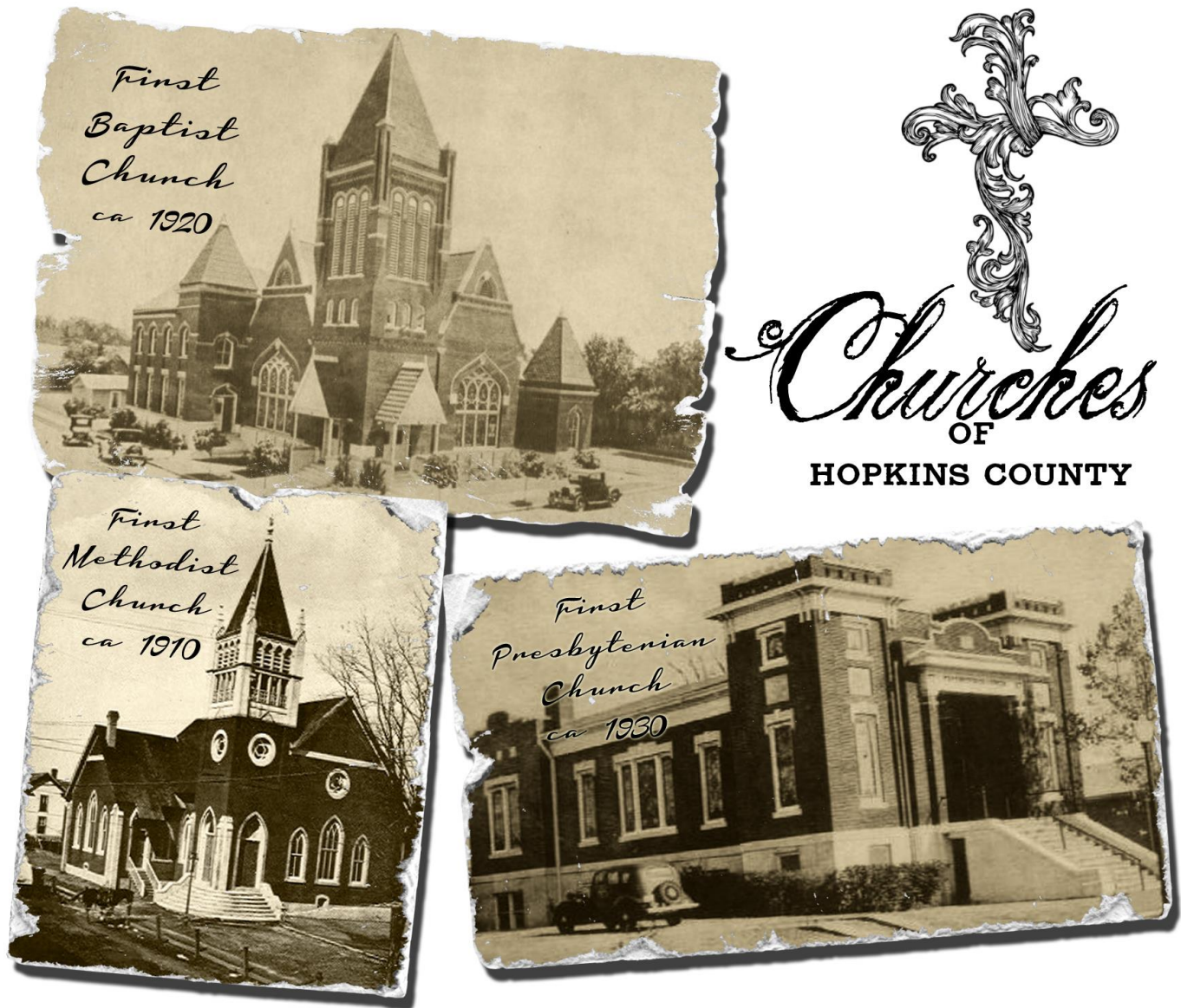
- * 9 Coats – near Winnsboro
- 13 Plymoth – near Como
- 16 Hickory Hill – location unknown
- 21 Stouts Creek – near Saltillo
- 36 Pleasant Valley – location unknown
- 38 South Sulphur – between Corinth and Tira
- 44 Lindley – near Peerless
- 49 Mt Zion – between Ridgeway and Sulphur Springs
- 58 Rural – possibly west of Cumby
- 59 Divide – near Brashear
- 73 Unity – west of Sulphur Bluff and east of Nelta
- 90 Pickens – location unknown, records indicate Sulphur ?
- 95 Sunny Slope – location unknown



Historic Photos of Hopkins County Schools¹⁵

¹⁵ "Glaze, Maudie Evelyn," digital image, (*Hopkins County TXGenWeb: Photos*, (<http://www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~tx>

CHURCHES OF HOPKINS COUNTY



Historic photos of churches located in Sulphur Springs, Hopkins County, Texas.¹⁶

hopkin/photos.html : accessed 24 July 2016); Peerless School photograph, ca 1932; digital image ca 2014, privately held by Cyndi Harlin, [ADDRESS FOR PRIVATE USE,], Sulphur Springs, Texas, 2016; "TX Sulphur Springs 4 Public Schools Color," digital image, Texas, (<http://www.family-images.com/tx/tx.htm> : accessed 24 July 2016).

¹⁶ Baptist Church – Sulphur Springs – 1920's, First Methodist Church – Sulphur Springs – 1910 and Presbyterian Church – Sulphur Springs – 1920's, digital images, Hopkins County TXGenWeb: Photos, (<http://www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~txhopkin/photos.html> : accessed 24 July 2016).

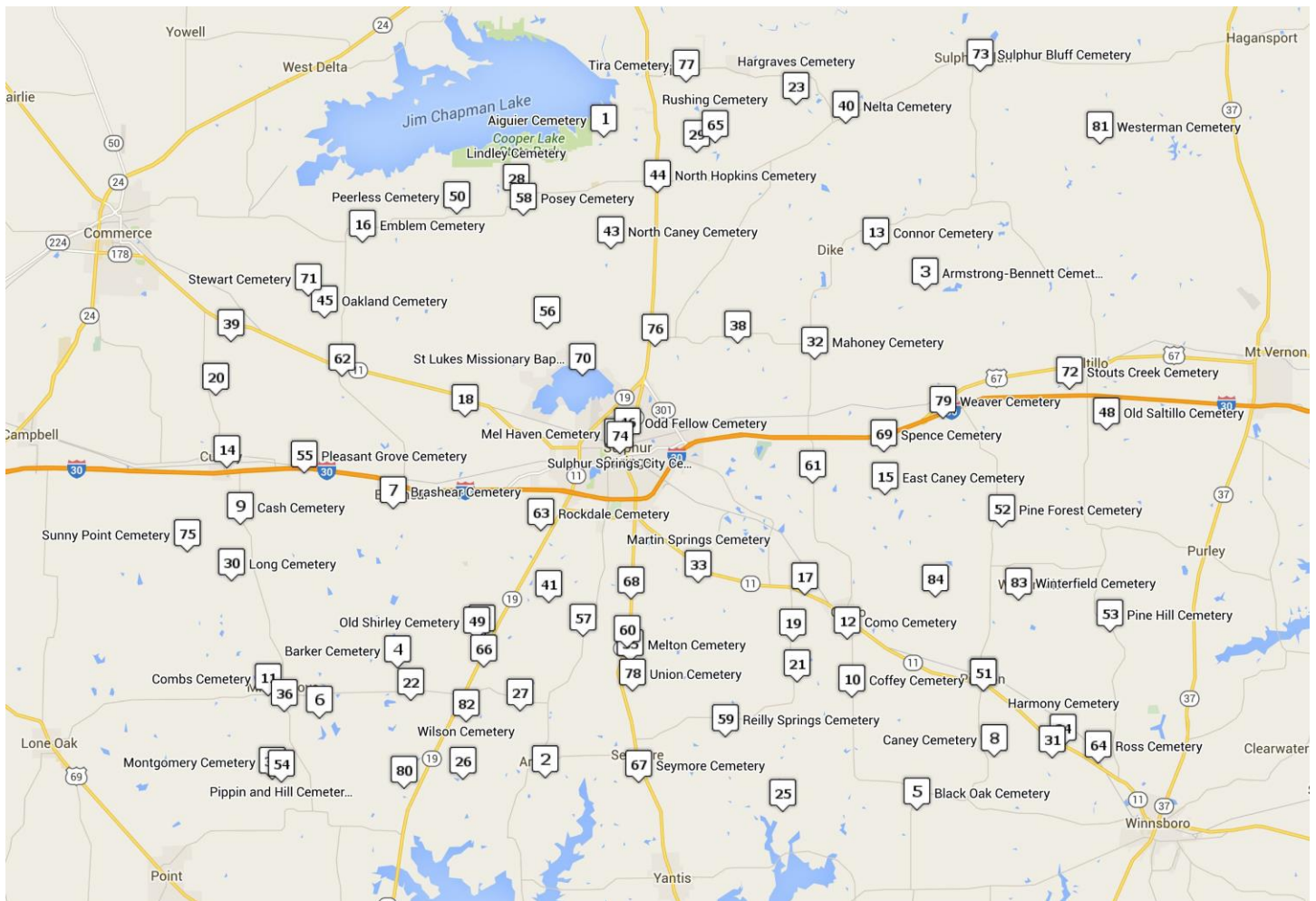
Church records can be a valuable resource in genealogical research. Following you will find a compilation of many of the churches of Hopkins County:¹⁷

Church Name	Location	Church Name	Location
Adonia	Mitchell Creek	Arbala Road Church of Christ	Arbala
Arbala United Methodist Church	Arbala	Assembly of God – New Life Worship Center	Sulphur Springs
Beckham Missionary Baptist Church	Sulphur Springs	Bibleway Lighthouse Church	Mahoney / Sulphur Springs
Birthright Baptist Church	Birthright	Birthright Methodist Church	Birthright
Black Oak Baptist Church	Sulphur Springs	Brashear Baptist Church	Brashear
Calvary Baptist Church		Caney Baptist	Pickton
Caney Church	Pleasant Grove	Center Point Church	Dike
Cedar Crest Christian	Sulphur Springs	Central Baptist Church	Sulphur Springs
Centro Cristiano de Adoracion Asamblea de Dios	Sulphur Springs	Changed Life Church	Sulphur Springs
Chapel Hill Baptist Church	Bonanza	Cherry Grove Church	Sulphur Springs
Christ Temple United Pentecostal Church	Sulphur Springs	Church of God	Sulphur Springs
Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints	Sulphur Springs	Como-Pickton Chapel	Como
Como United Methodist Church	Como	Cornerstone Baptist	Cumby
County Line Baptist	Yantis	Country Baptist Church	Sulphur Springs
Crimson River Cowboy Church		Cross Country Cowboy Church	Sulphur Springs
Cross Spur Cowboy Church	Pleasant Grove	Cumby First Baptist Church	Cumby
Cumby United Methodist Church	Cumby	Davis Street Baptist Church	Sulphur Springs
Dike Church of Christ	Dike	Divide Baptist Church	Divide
East Caney Baptist	Sulphur Springs	East Caney Church	Como
Emblem Church	Emblem	Evening Chapel C.M.E.	Sulphur Springs
Faith Tabernacle Full Gospel Pentecostal Church	Sulphur Springs	Family Life Church	Sulphur Springs
Fellowship Baptist	Como	Fellowship Christian Church	Sulphur Springs
First Assembly of God	Sulphur Springs	First Baptist Church of Como	Como
First Baptist Dike	Dike	First Baptist	Sulphur Springs
First Baptist Yantis	Yantis	First Birthright	Sulphur Springs
First Christian Church	Sulphur Springs	First Presbyterian Church	Sulphur Springs
First United Methodist	Sulphur Springs	First United Pentecostal Church	Sulphur Springs
Forest Academy Church	Como	Full Gospel House of Prayer	Sulphur Springs
Good News Christian Center	Sulphur Springs	Gospel Lighthouse	Sulphur Springs
Grace Baptist Fellowship	Sulphur Springs	Grace Family Church	Sulphur Springs

¹⁷ “Hopkins County Churches,” *The News Telegram*, 24 May 2002, HTML edition, (http://www.myssnews.com/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=508:hopkins-county-churches : accessed 22 July 2016); *Hopkins County Churches*, database, *TX Home Town Locator* (<http://texas.hometownlocator.com>: accessed 22 July 2016), search criteria: US> Texas> Hopkins County TX> Features> Churches; *Churches in Sulphur Springs TX*, database, *Church Finder* (<http://www.churchfinder.com/churches/tx/sulphur-springs> : accessed 22 July 2016).

Church Name	Location	Church Name	Location
Greater Emmanuel MBC	Sulphur Springs	Greenpond Baptist Church	Greenpond
Greenview Church	Brashear	Greenwood Baptist	Saltillo
Heritage Outreach Ministries	Sulphur Springs	Hinnant Street Church of Christ	Sulphur Springs
Immanuel Baptist	Sulphur Springs	Independence Baptist Church	Sulphur Springs
Independence Church	Yantis	Lake Highlands Baptist Church	Sulphur Springs
Lake Pointe Church	Sulphur Springs	League Street Church of Christ	Sulphur Springs
Lee-Hi Baptist	Sulphur Springs	Liberty Fellowship Baptist	Sulphur Springs
Lighthouse		Lord's Way Church of God in Christ	Sulphur Springs
Martin Springs Baptist	Martin Springs	Miller Grove Baptist	Miller Grove
Miller Grove United Methodist	Miller Grove	M.L.K. Drive Church of Christ	Sulphur Springs
Midway Church	Yantis	Mitchel Chapel Church of God in Christ	Sulphur Springs
Morning Chapel Missionary Baptist Church	Sulphur Springs	Mount Sterling Church	Mount Sterling
Mount Zion Church	Cumby	Nazarene Church	Sulphur Springs
Nelta Church of Christ	Nelta	Nelta United Methodist	Nelta
New Beginnings Fellowship Baptist	Sulphur Springs	New Covenant Church	Sulphur Springs
New Life Worship Center	Sulphur Springs	New Shirley Baptist	Shirley
New Hope Church	Brashear	North Hopkins Church of Christ	Birtheright
North Liberty Baptist	Mount Sterling	Oakland Presbyterian Church	Cumby
Old Saltillo Methodist	Saltillo	Old Tarrant Church	Sulphur Springs
Olive Branch Missionary Baptist	Sulphur Springs	Our Savior Lutheran Church	Sulphur Springs
Peerless Assembly of God	Peerless	Peerless Baptist Church	Peerless
Pickton First Baptist	Pickton	Pickton United Methodist	Pickton
Pine Hill Cumberland Presbyterian Church	Greenwood	Pine Forest United Methodist	Pine Forest
Pleasant Grove Church	Gafford Chapel	Pleasant Hill Baptist Church	Brashear
Posey Baptist Church	Posey	Reilly Springs Baptist Church	Reilly Springs
Saint James Catholic Church	Sulphur Springs	Saint Luke's Anglican Church	Sulphur Springs
Saint Luke Church	Gafford Chapel	Saint Luke Missionary Baptist	Sulphur Springs
Saint Philip's Episcopal	Sulphur Springs	Saltillo Baptist	Saltillo
Saltillo Church of Christ	Saltillo	Saltillo Methodist	Saltillo
Seventh Day Adventist	Sulphur Springs	Seymore Church of Christ	Seymore
Shady Grove Church		Shannon Oaks Church	Sulphur Springs
Shirley Church	Shirley	Shooks Chapel United Methodist	Sulphur Springs
South Liberty Baptist	Sulphur Springs	Southside Church of Christ	Sulphur Springs
Sulphur Bluff Assembly of God	Sulphur Bluff	Sulphur Bluff Baptist	Sulphur Bluff
Sulphur Bluff United Methodist	Sulphur Bluff	Tabernacle Baptist	Pickton
Tira United Methodist Church	Tira	The Gathering	Sulphur Springs
The Way Bible Church	Sulphur Springs	Trinity Baptist Church	Sulphur Springs
Trinity Harvest Church of God	Sulphur Springs	Union Baptist	Sulphur Springs
Weaver Baptist	Weaver	Wesley United Methodist	Sulphur Springs
White Oak Baptist	Yantis	Winterfield Baptist	Sulphur Springs

CEMETERIES OF HOPKINS COUNTY



Cemetery Locations in Hopkins County¹⁸

View an interactive map of cemeteries located within Hopkins County, [here](#).

¹⁸ “Cemeteries of Hopkins County, Texas,” *Google My Maps*, (<https://www.google.com/maps/d/viewer?mid=1qHrcfPQwFNJtD8R5ooH8VsEGSUM> : accessed 25 July 2016); created utilizing data from FindaGrave, search for cemeteries located in Hopkins County, Texas, *FindaGrave*, (<http://findagrave.com> : accessed 25 July 2016).

Listing of cemeteries located within Hopkins County. If viewing this document in digital (PDF) format, Ctrl + Click on the underlined cemetery name and the corresponding Find-a-Grave page will open in your browser.¹⁹

<i>Map Location</i>	Name	Location	Description / Notes
1	<u>Aiguier Cemetery</u>	Addran	
2	<u>Arbala Cemetery</u>	Arbala	
3	<u>Armstrong Bennett</u>	Dike	a.k.a. – Bennett Cemetery
	<u>Banks Cemetery</u>	Peerless	
4	<u>Barker Cemetery</u>	Greenview	Located on the Wright Farm, in a pasture approx. 400 yards off of the county road.
5	<u>Black Oak Cemetery</u>	Black Oak	
6	<u>Bone and Proctor Cemetery</u>	Miller Grove	
7	<u>Brashear Cemetery</u>	Brashear	
	<u>Camp Ground Cemetery</u>	Mount Zion	
8	<u>Caney Cemetery</u>	Sulphur Springs	
9	<u>Cash Family Cemetery</u>	Cumby	
	<u>Causey Cemetery</u>	Dike	
	<u>Clapp Cemetery</u>	Sulphur Springs	May not be able to see from the road during times of full foliage.
10	<u>Coffey Cemetery</u>	Como	
11	<u>Combs Cemetery</u>	Miller Grove	a.k.a. – Jordan Cemetery
12	<u>Como Cemetery</u>	Como	
13	<u>Connor Cemetery</u>	Dike	
14	<u>Cumby Cemetery</u>	Cumby	a.k.a. – Black Jack Grove and Theodocia
	<u>Deaton Cemetery</u>		Entry to cemetery is in Hopkins County, but the actual cemetery is located in Rains County.
15	<u>East Caney Cemetery</u>	Sulphur Springs	
16	<u>Emblem Cemetery</u>	Emblem	
17	<u>Forest Academy Cemetery</u>	Como	

¹⁹ Hopkins County, Texas Cemeteries search, *Find a Grave*, (<http://findagrave.com> : accessed 25 July 2016).

<i>Map Location</i>	Name	Location	Description / Notes
	<u>Fowler</u>	Como	
	<u>Fox Cemetery</u>	Union	
18	<u>Gafford Chapel</u>	Gafford Chapel	
19	<u>Gamblin Cemetery</u>	Como	
20	<u>Garoutte Cemetery</u>	Branom	Small family cemetery overgrown and difficult to see.
	<u>Graham Cemetery</u>		
21	<u>Greenpond Cemetery</u>	Como	
22	<u>Greenview Cemetery</u>	Greenview	
	<u>Greenwood Cemetery</u>	Greenwood	
	<u>Gregg Cemetery</u>		
	<u>Hackleman</u>		Small family cemetery, with no public access.
23	<u>Hargrave Cemetery</u>	Nelta	
24	<u>Harmony Cemetery</u>	Harmony	
	<u>Hurley Cemetery</u>		Private
25	<u>Independence Baptist Church Cemetery</u>		
	<u>Irons Cemetery</u>		
26	<u>Ishmael Cemetery</u>		
	<u>Johnson Family Cemetery</u>	Brashear	
	<u>Karney Family</u>	Nelta	
27	<u>Liberty Cemetery</u>	Liberty	
28	<u>Lindley Cemetery</u>	Posey	
29	<u>Little Self Cemetery</u>	Birthright	
30	<u>Long Cemetery</u>	Cumby	
31	<u>Long Family Cemetery</u>	Harmony	
32	<u>Mahoney Cemetery</u>	Mahoney	
33	<u>Martin Springs Cemetery</u>	Martin Springs	
	<u>McFall Cemetery</u>	Nelta	Est. 1843
34	<u>Mel Haven Cemetery</u>	Sulphur Springs	

Map Location	Name	Location	Description / Notes
35	<u>Melton Cemetery</u>	Union	
36	<u>Miller Grove Cemetery</u>	Miller Grove	
	<u>Mitchell Creek Cemetery</u>	Sulphur Bluff	
	<u>Montgomery Cemetery</u>	Miller Grove	
38	<u>Mount Sterling Cemetery</u>	Dike	
39	<u>Mount Zion Cemetery</u>	Mount Zion	
40	<u>Nelta Cemetery</u>	Nelta	
41	<u>New Hope Cemetery</u>	Tazewell	
42	<u>New Sherley Cemetery</u>	Sherley / Shirley	a.k.a. – New Shirley Cemetery
	<u>Newberry Cemetery</u>	Nelta	
43	<u>North Caney Cemetery</u>		
44	<u>North Hopkins Cemetery</u>	North Hopkins	a.k.a.- Birthright Cemetery
45	<u>Oakland Cemetery</u>	Ridgeway	
46	<u>Odd Fellow Cemetery</u>	Sulphur Springs	a.k.a. – IOOF Cemetery
47	<u>Old Pickton Cemetery</u>	Pickton	Est. 1894
48	<u>Old Saltillo Cemetery</u>	Saltillo	a.k.a. – Saltillo Cemetery
49	<u>Old Shirley Cemetery</u>	Sherley / Shirley	a.k.a. – Old Sherley Cemetery
50	<u>Peerless Cemetery</u>	Peerless	
51	<u>Pickton Cemetery</u>	Pickton	a.k.a. – New Pickton Cemetery
52	<u>Pine Forest Cemetery</u>	Pine Forest	
53	<u>Pine Hill Cemetery</u>	Pine Hill	
54	<u>Pippin and Hill Cemetery</u>	Miller Grove	
55	<u>Pleasant Grove Cemetery</u>	Cumby	
56	<u>Pleasant Grove Cemetery - North</u>	Pleasant Grove	
57	<u>Pleasant Hill Cemetery</u>		
58	<u>Posey Cemetery</u>	Posey	
59	<u>Reilly Springs Cemetery</u>	Reilly Springs	Est. 1863
60	<u>Restlawn Memorial Park</u>	Sulphur Springs	
61	<u>Richland Cemetery</u>	Brinker	a.k.a. – Brinker Cemetery

Map Location	Name	Location	Description / Notes
62	<u>Ridgeway Cemetery</u>	Ridgeway	
	<u>Robertson Cemetery</u>	Como	
63	<u>Rockdale Cemetery</u>	Rockdale	
64	<u>Ross Cemetery</u>	Harmony	Small family cemetery located on private property.
65	<u>Rushing Cemetery</u>	Birthright	
66	<u>Sanchez Family Cemetery</u>		
67	<u>Seymore Cemetery</u>	Seymore	Est. 1884
68	<u>Shooks Chapel Cemetery</u>	Sulphur Springs	
69	<u>Spence Cemetery</u>	Sulphur Springs	
	<u>Stephens Cemetery</u>	Tazewell	
70	<u>St. Lukes Missionary Baptist Cemetery</u>	Sulphur Springs	
71	<u>Stewart Cemetery</u>	Ridgeway	
72	<u>Stouts Creek Cemetery</u>	Saltillo	
	<u>Stuart Family Cemetery</u>	Saltillo	
73	<u>Sulphur Bluff Cemetery</u>	Sulphur Bluff	
74	<u>Sulphur Springs City Cemetery</u>	Sulphur Springs	a.k.a. – City Cemetery
75	<u>Sunny Point Cemetery</u>	Cumby	
76	<u>Tarrant Cemetery</u>	Tarrant	a.k.a. – Old Tarrant Cemetery
77	<u>Tira Cemetery</u>	Tira	
78	<u>Union Cemetery</u>	Union	
	<u>Waggoner Cemetery</u>	Peerless	
79	<u>Weaver Cemetery</u>	Weaver	
80	<u>Welch Cemetery</u>	Bonanza	
81	<u>Westerman Cemetery</u>	Sulphur Bluff	
	<u>Williams and Wilson Cemetery</u>	Black Oak	
82	<u>Wilson Cemetery</u>	Greenview	
83	<u>Winterfield Cemetery</u>	Winterfield	
	<u>Wise and Clifton Cemetery</u>	Greenview	
84	<u>Woodland Cemetery</u>	Pickton	

HOPKINS COUNTY COURTHOUSE & ANNEX



Hopkins County Courthouse, through the years.²⁰

²⁰ *Hopkins County Courthouse – Completed in February 1882 – Burned February 11, 1894, and Hopkins County Courthouse – Early 1900’s, digital images, Hopkins County TXGenWeb: Photos, (<http://www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~txhopkin/photos.html> : accessed 24 July 2016); “Hopkins County, Texas,” digital image 4 of 6, *Courthouse History*, (<http://courthousehistory.com/gallery/states/texas/counties/hopkins>: accessed 24 July 2016). *Hopkins County Courthouse photograph*, 2016; digital image, privately held by Cyndi Harlin [ADDRESS FOR PRIVATE USE,] Sulphur Springs, Texas, 2016.*

The original county courthouse was built in Tarrant [first county seat] in 1853. However, the county seat was relocated to Sulphur Springs in 1868. A new courthouse was erected in the downtown square in 1882. This courthouse too was short lived, as a fire consumed the courthouse, jail and some commercial buildings located on the east side of the square in 1894.²¹ Fortunately no county records were lost to the fire; only some personal files belonging to the judge were damaged.²² The county replaced the courthouse with the existing 3-story fire-proof granite and sandstone structure in 1895 at a cost of \$75,000. A state historical marker was placed in 1975 and the courthouse was listed on the National Register in 1977. After the Texas Courthouse Preservation Program was developed by, then governor, George W. Bush, a major renovation was completed in 2002 at a cost of approximately \$4 million. The restoration was funded in part by a Courthouse Preservation grant, with the remaining funds being supplied by the county.²³

Location:

118 Church Street
Sulphur Springs, Texas 75482

Website:

<http://www.hopkinscountytexas.org/>



The majority of records available for Hopkins County are available through the Hopkins County Clerk's office, which is located one block behind the courthouse in the Hopkins County Annex Building:

Location:

128 Jefferson Street, Suite C
Sulphur Springs, Texas 75482

Website:

http://www.hopkinscountytexas.org/default.aspx?Hopkins_County/County.Clerk

Phone:

(903)438-4074

Hours:

Monday – Friday
9:00 am – 5:00 pm

Email:

cclerk@hopkinscountytexas.org ²⁴

²¹ "Hopkins County Courthouse, Sulphur Springs, TX," *East Texas Historical Association*, (http://www.easttexas.com/historical.org/v3/programs/terry/terry_2005_hopkins.htm : accessed 24 July 2016).

²² Pogue, Earl, (Hopkins County Genealogical Library, 611 N. Davis Street, Sulphur Springs, Texas), interview by Cyndi Harlin, 18 July 2016; transcript privately held by Harlin [ADDRESS FOR PRIVATE USE,] Sulphur Springs, Texas, 2016. Pogue, a volunteer at the Hopkins County Genealogical Library spoke from personal knowledge.

²³ "Hopkins County Courthouse, Sulphur Springs, TX," *East Texas Historical Association*.

²⁴ County Clerk, *Hopkins County Texas*, (http://www.hopkinscountytexas.org/default.aspx?Hopkins_County/County.Clerk : accessed 24 July 2016); 128 Jefferson Street, Sulphur Springs, Texas, digital image, *Google Street View May 2013*, (<https://www.google.com/maps> : accessed 24 July 2016).

The Hopkins County Clerk's Office is the repository for property, vital, criminal, probate and civil records, from the inception of the county until present day. Record creation/retention began on the following dates:

Record Type:	Date:
Birth	1903
Marriage	1846
Death	unknown
Land	1846
Probate	1846 ²⁵

County Clerk Public Records – Online:

The following record sets can be accessed online at <http://www.hopkinscountyonline.net> or http://www.texasonlinerecords.com/clerk/index?office_id=1 One must first register for a free account before use of this site.

- Real Property Records – 1967 to Present
- Criminal Records – 1985 to Present
- Probate Records – 1985 to Present
- Civil Records – May 1989 to Present ²⁶

These are indexes only. For actual records, or records prior to these dates, you must visit the County Clerk's Office in person.

Divorce records are held by the **Hopkins County District Clerk**.

²⁵ Hopkins County, Texas Genealogy, *FamilySearch Wiki*, (<https://familysearch.org/wiki/en/index.php> : accessed 24 July 2016).

²⁶ Debbie Shirley, "Hopkins County Clerk's Office Public Records Online," flyer, not dated, distributed by Hopkins County Genealogical Society, 611 N. Davis Street, Sulphur Springs, Texas, 18 July 2016.

HOPKINS COUNTY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY

Founded in 1981, the Hopkins County Genealogical Society's mission is *To Preserve, To Protect, To Promote, To Provide and To Expand* the genealogical and historical materials relating to Hopkins County.²⁷ The Hopkins County Genealogical Library collection consists of numerous donated family vertical files and boxed collections, over 5,000 volumes of genealogy and history related books, microfilms of Federal Census records for every county located within the State of Texas. Many archival volumes of county records, including Justice of the Peace, Criminal Court, Civil Court, along with historic birth and death from Saltillo community are all housed at the genealogical library. In addition HCGS collection includes microfilm images of local newspaper archives, including the Sulphur Springs Gazette, Hopkins County Echo, Daily News Telegram, Sulphur Springs News Telegram and the Cumby Rustler, dating from 1906 to present day. The entire newspaper collection is in the process of being digitized and will soon be made available via the Portal to Texas History.²⁸

The helpful staff of volunteers are always eager to assist you with your research needs. You may contact or visit HCGS at:

Physical Address

Hopkins County Genealogical Library Room
Sulphur Springs Public Library
611 N. Davis Street
Sulphur Springs, Texas 75482

Hours:

M, T, Th, & F: 9:00 am – 5:00 pm
Wednesday: Closed
Saturday: 9:00 am – Noon
Sunday: Closed



Sulphur Springs Public Library²⁹

Mailing Address

Hopkins County Genealogical Society
PO Box 624
Sulphur Springs, Texas 75483-0624

Website *:

<http://www.hcgstx.org/>

Phone:

(903)885-8523

Email:

hcgstx@suddenlinkmail.com

Facebook:

<https://www.facebook.com/hcgstx>³⁰

²⁷ Hopkins County Genealogical Society, *Our Story*, (<http://www.hcgstx.org/index.php/society/our-story> : accessed 19 July 2016).

²⁸ Pogue, Earl, interview, 18 July 2016.

²⁹ Sulphur Springs Public Library, digital image, City of Sulphur Springs (<http://sulphurspringstx.org/library/index.php> : accessed 20 July 2016).

³⁰ Hopkins County Genealogical Society, (<http://hcgstx.org> : accessed 19 July 2016).

* The HCGS website is currently in the process of being updated.

To assist with your research, the library has 1 microfilm reader with print access, three public-use computers with internet access and a photocopier available. Current photocopy and print prices are as follows:

- Letter and Legal Size - Photocopies or Standard Prints \$.25 ea.
- Letter Size – Microfilm Prints \$.35 ea.

Photography of items in the collection is allowed. Please remember, that no food or drinks are to be brought into the genealogical library.³¹

Online Records:

The Hopkins County Genealogical Society also offers on-line abstracted databases:

Database	URL
Hopkins County Births, 1926-1945	http://www.hcgstx.org/index.php/records/births
Deaths in Hopkins County – Cemetery Records (Includes all deaths recorded in Hopkins County, from the earliest records available until 2011)	http://www.hcgstx.org/index.php/records/hcdeathrecords
Burial Sites: Cemeteries - Listed (Compiled listing of all known cemeteries located in Hopkins County)	http://www.hcgstx.org/index.php/records/burial-sites/cemeteries-listed
Burial Sites: Cemeteries – Mapped	http://www.hcgstx.org/index.php/records/burial-sites/cemeteries-mapped
Burial Sites: Confederate Grave Sites	http://www.hcgstx.org/index.php/records/burial-sites/confederate-grave-sites
Hopkins County Place Names	http://www.hcgstx.org/index.php/records/places
Land Grant Returns for Hopkins County	http://www.hcgstx.org/index.php/records/land-grant-returns
Hopkins County Men and Women in the Armed Forces, World War II	http://www.hcgstx.org/index.php/records/more-hopkins-county-resources/34-features/339-world-war-ii
Hopkins County Civil War Roster (downloadable .TXT file)	http://www.hcgstx.org/index.php/records/more-hopkins-county-resources
Towns of Hopkins County Business and Professional People, ca 1884-1885 (from various sources)	http://www.hcgstx.org/index.php/records/more-hopkins-county-resources/34-features/340-hopkins-county-towns

³¹ Pogue, Earl, interview, 18 July 2016.

Hopkins County Genealogical Society Publications Available for Purchase:

Publications, abstracts, transcriptions and indexes compiled by the Hopkins County Genealogical Society³²:

<i>Group</i>	Title	Details	Cost
<i>Birth</i>	Combined Surname Index to Hopkins County Probate Birth Records, Books 1 – 3	389 pages	\$40.00
	Hopkins county Probate Birth Records, Book 2 Q – Z & Book 3 A – Z, Volume 3	302 Pages	\$35.00
	Hopkins County Probate Birth Records, Book 1, Volume 1, A – G **	351 pages	\$35.00
	Hopkins County Probate Birth Records, Book 1, Volume 2, H – O **	263 pages	\$35.00
	Hopkins County Probate Birth Records, Book 1, Volume 3, P – Z **	293 pages	\$35.00
	Hopkins County Probate Birth Records, Book 2, Volume 1, A – G **	306 pages	\$35.00
	Hopkins County Probate Birth Records, Book 2, Volume 2, H – P **	342 pages	\$35.00
<i>Books</i>	1895, Hopkins County, Texas: A Souvenir Booklet of the Sulphur Springs Gazette, reprint		\$20.00
	Healing Waters (by Barbara McCarley)	44 pages	\$10.00
	Pioneers of Hopkins County: Stories of Pioneer Families, Volume 1 (reprint, soft cover).	348 pages, with Index	\$40.00
	Pioneers of Hopkins County: Stories of Pioneer Families, Volume 2 (hard cover)	366 pages, with Index	\$40.00
	World War I Soldiers of Hopkins County		\$60.00
<i>Burials & Funeral</i>	Brashear Cemetery *****	155 pages, with Index	\$20.00
	Civil War Soldiers in Memphis, Tennessee National Cemetery (includes burials of Union and Confederate Soldiers and Sailors)	Alphabetical, 142 pages	\$15.00
	Day Funeral Home Records	50 pages, with Index	\$20.00
	Murray Funeral Home Records, Book 1, 1919 - 1929	Alphabetical, 106 pages	\$10.00
	Murray Funeral Home Records, Book 2, 1930 – 1933	Alphabetical, 110 pages	\$10.00

³² Hopkins County Genealogical Library Room, Sulphur Spring Public Library, 611 N. Davis Street, Sulphur Springs, Texas.

<i>Group</i>	Title	Details	Cost
	Murray Funeral Home Records, Book 3, 1933 – 1935	Alphabetical, 106 pages	\$10.00
	Murray Funeral Home Records, Book 4, 1935 – 1940	Alphabetical, 106 pages	\$10.00
	Murray Funeral Home Records, Book 5, 1940 – 1950	Alphabetical, 105 pages	\$10.00
	Murray Funeral Home Records, Book 7, 1961 – 1963, Pocket Book Ledger 1917 – 1930 and Loose Death Certificates, 1933 – 1935	Alphabetical, 96 pages	\$10.00
	Restlawn Memorial Park ***	Alphabetical, 80 pages	\$15.00
	Sulphur Springs City Cemetery Enumeration, Eastside Addition – North	110 pages, with Index	\$10.00
	Sulphur Springs City Cemetery Enumeration, Eastside Addition – South	105 pages, with Index	\$10.00
	Sulphur Springs City Cemetery Enumeration, Hillcrest Addition	202 pages, with Index	\$20.00
	Sulphur Springs City Cemetery Enumeration, Hillcrest Northside Add.	88 pages, with Index	\$10.00
	Sulphur Springs City Cemetery Enumeration, Old Section	82 pages, with Index	\$10.00
	Sulphur Springs City Cemetery Enumeration, Sunset Addition	163 pages, with Index	\$15.00
	Sulphur Springs City Cemetery Master Index	102 pages	\$10.00
	Tapp Funeral Home Burial Index, July 1944 – June 1991	98 pages	\$15.00
	Murray Funeral Home Records, Book 6, 1951 – 1961	Alphabetical, 108 pages	\$10.00
<i>Census</i>	1850 Hopkins County Census	Full transcription, 65 pages, Index	\$12.00
	1860 Hopkins County Census	Full transcription, 222 pages, Index	\$20.00
	1870 Hopkins County Census	Full transcription, 380 pages, Index	\$35.00
	1880 Hopkins County Census	Full transcription, 551 pages, Index	\$50.00
	1900 Hopkins County Census	Full transcription, 635 pages, Index	\$60.00
	1910 Hopkins County Census, Index of all Names	200 pages	\$20.00
	1910 Hopkins County Census, Volume 1	Full transcription, 508 pages, Index	\$50.00
	1910 Hopkins County Census, Volume 2	Full transcription, 467 pages, Index	\$50.00
	1920 Hopkins County Census, Index of all Names	282 pages	\$25.00

<i>Group</i>	<i>Title</i>	<i>Details</i>	<i>Cost</i>
	1930 Hopkins county Census, Index of all Names	225 pages	\$25.00
<i>Court Minutes</i>	Hopkins County Court Minutes (Commissioners Court), Volume 1, October 1846 – February 1852	131 pages, with Index	\$15.00
	Hopkins County Court Minutes (Commissioners Court), Volume 2, February 1852 – June 1856	125 pages, with Index	\$15.00
	Hopkins County Court Minutes (Commissioners Court), Volume 3, August 1856 – May 1859	63 pages, with Index	\$8.00
<i>Death</i>	Hopkins County Death Records Index, Volume 1, 1903 – 1950 *	198 pages	\$25.00
	Hopkins County Death Records Index, Volume 2, 1950-1987 *	235 pages	\$25.00
<i>Inquests</i>	Hopkins County Inquest Ledger, 1894 - 1952	128 pages, with Index	\$10.00
<i>Jail Records</i>	Hopkins County Jail Records, 1875 – 1890	71 pages, with Index	\$10.00
<i>Marriage</i>	Hopkins County Marriage Books, 1-5, 1846-1890	371 pages	\$40.00
	Hopkins County Marriage Books, 6-10, 1890-1901	190 pages	\$25.00
<i>Newspaper</i>	Daily News-Telegram, Genealogical Abstracts, 1939	115 pages, with Index	\$20.00
	Harting's Tales of Home, Sulphur Springs, Texas (Sulphur Springs newspaper articles, ca 1910)	32 pages, with Index	\$5.00
	Hopkins County Echo, Genealogical Abstracts, 1921	80 pages, with Index	\$18.00
	Hopkins County Echo, Genealogical Abstracts, 1932	169 pages, with Index	\$22.00
	Hopkins County Echo, Genealogical Abstracts, 1935	181 pages, with Index	\$22.00
	Hopkins County Remembered (News-Telegram columns, ca 1937, about early pioneers and settlements of Hopkins County, Texas)	103 pages, Name and Place Index	\$15.00
	Sulphur Springs Enterprise, Reproduction, October 29, 1887		\$1.00
	Sulphur Springs Gazette, 1919 and Daily News-Telegram, 1938, Genealogical Abstracts	154 pages, with Index	\$2.00
	Sulphur Springs Gazette, Reproduction, March 7, 1874		\$1.00
	The Cumby Rustler, Abstracts, 1908	71 pages, with Index	\$15.00

<i>Group</i>	<i>Title</i>	<i>Details</i>	<i>Cost</i>
	The Cumby Rustler, Abstracts, 1909	130 pages, with Index	\$20.00
	The Cumby Rustler, Abstracts, 1910	93 pages, with Index	\$18.00
	The Cumby Rustler, Abstracts, 1911	99 pages, with Index	\$18.00
	The Cumby Rustler, Abstracts, 1912	123 pages, with Index	\$20.00
	The Daily News-Telegram, Genealogical Abstracts, 1930	109 pages, with Index	\$18.00
<i>Probate Minutes</i>	Hopkins County Probate Minutes (Original Minutes), Volume 1, November 1846 – September 1853	174 pages, with Index	\$20.00
	Hopkins County Probate Minutes (Original Minutes), Volume 2, October 1853 – September 1857	147 pages, with Index	\$20.00
<i>Quarterly / Newsletter</i>	Hopkins County Heritage	HCGS Quarterly Back Issues	\$5.00 ea
<i>Surname Charts</i>	Roots and Branches, Volume 1	Information from submitted surname charts, 58 pages, with Index	\$8.00
	Roots and Branches, Volume 2	Information from submitted surname charts, 72 pages, with Index	\$10.00
	Roots and Branches, Volume 3	Information from submitted surname charts, 128 pages, with Index	\$15.00
	Roots and Branches, Volume 4	Information from submitted surname charts, 347 pages, with Index	\$25.00
	Roots and Branches, Volume 5	Information from submitted surname charts, 241 pages, with Index	\$20.00
	Roots and Branches, Volume 6	Information from submitted surname charts, 283 pages, with Index	\$20.00
<i>Tax Rolls</i>	Tax Roll of Hopkins County, Texas 1894	150 pages, with Index	\$20.00
	Tax Rolls of Hopkins County, Texas 1846 – 1856	309 pages, with Index	\$20.00

* From microfilm.

** Includes names of child, father and mother, along with sex, race, date of birth, book and pages of original documents.

*** From multiple sources.

**** Includes photographs of all tombstones, transcribed by Brandon Darrow.

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Hopkins County Genealogical Society, PO Box 624, Sulphur Springs, Texas 75483-0624

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Texas Heritage Book Shop (Non-HCGS published books):

Books currently available through the Hopkins County Genealogical Society, Texas Heritage Book Shop (These are not actual HCGS publications. Please see the section above for HCGS publications) ³³:

Book	Description	Cost
McDonald, Bobby. <i>A Place Called Hopkins County</i>. Bobby McDonald, 2000.	Interviews of older residents who tell stories of early Hopkins County history	\$27.95
McDonald, Bobby. <i>Plowing Deep</i>. Bobby McDonald, 2001.	More local stories about early Hopkins County history.	\$27.95
Sinclair, Katie. <i>Katie's Stories: Life Before, During and After the Depression and World War II</i>. Sulphur Springs, Texas: Sinclair, Katie, date unknown.	Autobiography of Katie (Freeman) Sinclair	
McDonald, Bobby. <i>Out of Darkness: The Black Face of Hopkins County: Volume III</i>. Sulphur Springs, Texas: Bobby McDonald, 2001.	The story of African American history in Hopkins County.	\$27.95
Cimarolli, Mary. <i>The Bootlegger's Other Daughter</i>. College Station, Texas: Texas A&M University Press, 2003.	The memoir of Mary Cimarolli, from her perspective of a child growing up in rural East Texas during the Great Depression through the Second World War.	\$24.95
Davis, Mary Leta. <i>Building on Trust: A History of the Sulphur Springs Loan & Building Association, 1st Edition</i>. Sulphur Springs, Texas: The Association, 1995.	The history of Sulphur Springs Loan & Building Association.	\$10.00
Darrow, Brandon. <i>Miller Grove School Pictorial History Book</i>. Balfour Yearbooks, 2011.	150 years of school memories, lists of graduates, individual and group photos.	\$30.00
Hallman, Patsy. <i>Miller Grove Methodist Church History</i>. Unknown Publisher, unknown publication date.	History of the community church plus cemetery listings.	\$16.63
_____, 1895, <i>Hopkins County, Texas: A Souvenir Booklet of the Sulphur Springs Gazette, reprint</i>. Sulphur Springs, Texas: Hopkins County Genealogical Society, 2016.		\$20.00
Hallman, Patsy. <i>Letters from Miss Edna: 1925-1975</i>. Bloomington, Indiana: AuthorHouse, 2005.	Comprised of 115 letters written by Miss Edna, revealing the story of the life and experiences of an ordinary person during a time of great change.	18.50
Sulphur Springs Sesquicentennial Committee. <i>Taste, Tales and Traditions: 150 Years in Sulphur Springs</i>. Sulphur Springs, Texas: Echo Publishing Company, 2004.		\$40.00

³³ Texas Heritage Bookshop Collection, on display in the Hopkins County Genealogical Library Room, Sulphur Spring Public Library, 611 N. Davis Street, Sulphur Springs, Texas.

Book	Description	Cost
Hatley, Allen G. <i>The First Texas Legion</i>. Eagle Lake, Texas: Centex Press, 2004.	The story of the Texas Confederate regiment that began in Lavaca County, Texas and grew into one of the only two “Legions” raised in Texas during the Civil War.	\$31.95
Winniford, Lee. <i>Following Old Fencelines: Tales from Rural Texas</i>. College Station, Texas: Texas A&M University Press, 1998	The author writes of memories from her childhood in Hopkins County.	\$29.95
Rister, Carl Coke. <i>Robert E. Lee in Texas</i>. Norman, Oklahoma: University of Oklahoma Press, 2004.	The story of the great general’s career and service in Texas during the four years just preceding the Civil War.	\$19.95
Ainsworth, Jim H. <i>Biscuits Across the Brazos: Recollections of a Memorable Horseback and Covered Wagon Journey</i>. Santa Fe, New Mexico: Sunstone Press, 2010.	Recollections of the pain and pleasure of retracing an ancestral journey by wagon and horseback to Delta County, Texas.	\$15.00
Ainsworth, Jim H. <i>Home Light Burning: A Novel Based on Actual Facts and Events</i>. Santa Fe, New Mexico: Sunstone Press, 2009.	A story of two Confederates trying to return to Texas after the war to piece together shattered former lives.	\$24.95
Pickering, David and Judith M. Falls. <i>Brush Men and Vigilantes: Civil War Dissent in Texas</i>. College Station, Texas: Texas A&M University Press, 2004.	Depicts how tension led to violence that took place in Hunt and Hopkins Counties during and after the Civil War.	\$16.95
Tuck, June England. <i>Civil War Shadows in Hopkins County, Texas</i>. Sulphur Springs, Texas: J.E. Tuck Publisher, 1993.		\$60.00
Cross, Jo Ann M. <i>Brinker Community History</i>. Unknown publisher, unknown publication date.		\$50.00
Post, Gerald. <i>Alive and Good to Know (Pine Forest)</i>. Unknown publisher, unknown publication date.		\$60.00
Minter, Thomas J. <i>Stories of Saltillo: About the People, Places and Events Over Time in a Small Prairie Town in East Texas</i>. Booklocker.com, Inc., 2008.	A collection of true stories about people and events in Saltillo, Hopkins County, Texas.	\$16.95
Hallman, Patsy. <i>Tales From Miller Grove</i>. Nacogdoches, Texas: Media Contractors, 2007.	The book covers the early history of Miller Grove and how a trading post turned into a permanent settlement, in addition to the tales of early residents and life in the small Hopkins County community.	\$30.00
Texas State Genealogical Society. <i>Texas First Families, Volume 1</i>. TSGS, 2000.	Lineages, names and addresses of the submitters of the first 2,400 applications for certificates of the one of the Texas first family groups.	\$35.00
Texas State Genealogical Society. <i>Texas First Families, Volume 2</i>. TSGS, 2004.	Lineages, names and addresses of the submitters of the applications numbered 2401 through 5278 for certificates of the one of the Texas first family groups.	\$35.00

Book	Description	Cost
Texas State Genealogical Society. <i>Texas First Families, Volume 1&2.</i>	Lineages, names and addresses of the submitters of the first 5,278 applications for certificates of the one of the Texas first family groups.	\$60.00
McCarley, Barbara. <i>Healing Waters, Sulphur Springs, Hopkins County, Texas. Sulphur Springs, Texas: Hopkins County Genealogical Society, 1996.</i>	How the 100 bubbling springs that watered a 4 acre campground were marketed as healing mineral springs to attract tourism, beginning in the pre-Civil War era in Hopkins County.	\$10.00
Wright, Celia M. <i>Heritage From the Past: Sketches from Hopkins County History. Sulphur Springs, Texas: The Shining Path Press, 1959.</i>	History of Hopkins County, along with biographical sketches of prominent families and events.	\$10.00
Pearce, John. <i>Ever Remember: The Days of 1913-1914. Buffalo Gap, Texas: State House Press, 2014.</i>	Based on the diary of teenager Alma Caldwell, of Sulphur Springs, Texas, along with newspaper articles.	\$19.99
Pearce, John. <i>Sulphur Springs High School Football History, CD ROM, digital images. Unknown publisher, unknown publication date.</i>		\$15.00
Hopkins County Historical Society. <i>Hopkins County Pictorial History, Volume 2. Unknown publisher, 1995.</i>	Photos of places and people, most being titled with names.	\$60.00
Bay, Elaine Nell. <i>Rains County. Charleston, South Carolina: Arcadia Publishing, 2011.</i>	Pictorial History of Rains County, Texas.	\$20.30
Petty, Ryan. <i>The Life He Never Knew. Casper, Wyoming: Whiskey Creek Press, 2011.</i>	A historic fiction novel about the life of a Confederate Soldier named Thomas.	\$15.00
Kelsey, Mavis P, Sr., Donald H. Dyal and Frank Thrower. <i>The Courthouses of Texas. College Station, Texas: Texas A&M University Press, 2007.</i>	Photos and history for each of the 254 county courthouses in the State of Texas.	\$22.95
St. Clair, Gladys. <i>A History of Hopkins County, Texas. Texian Press, 1965.</i>	Used, now out of print, with limited copies available.	\$75.00
Mayfield, Janna. <i>The Men and Women in World War II from Hopkins County, Texas. Fort Worth, Texas: Mayfield Publication, unknown date.</i>	Used, now out of print, with limited copies available.	\$75.00
Cagle, Carrol D and Janet K. Warter. <i>The Lineage of Andreas Brünckner / Brinker, 1699-1764, fourth edition. Baltimore, Maryland: Gateway Press, Inc., 2009.</i>		\$20.00
Fleming, E. B., <i>Early History of Hopkins County, Texas: Biographical Sketches and Incidents of the Early Settled Families. Unknown publisher, 1902.</i>	Used, now out of print, with limited copies available.	\$100.00

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Hopkins County First Families and Pioneer Families Certificates:

Two commemorative certificates are available to individuals who directly or collaterally descend from an ancestor who settled in Hopkins County prior to certain dates. Proof of lineage and ancestor residency required with application and the cost for either certificate is \$25.00. The settlement dates are as follows:

- First Families of Hopkins County - arrived prior to 25 March 1871
- Pioneer Families of Hopkins County - arrived between 26 March 1846 and 25 March 1896

Applicants are not required to be residents of Hopkins County or members of the Hopkins County Genealogical Society. Contact HSGS for an application.³⁴

Membership in the Hopkins County Genealogical Society:

Annual memberships run from January 1st through December 31st and includes HCGS quarterly, which is published in March, June, September and December. Dues are as follows³⁵:

- Individual \$20.00
- Family (2 adults living in the same household – includes one quarterly) \$25.00

The society meets at the library on the third Thursday of each month, except June through August. See HCGS website for application³⁶.

³⁴ *Hopkins County Genealogical Society, Hopkins County First Families*, (<http://www.hcgstx.org/index.php/society/membership>: accessed 24 July 2016).

³⁵ *Hopkins County Genealogical Society, Membership*, (<http://www.hcgstx.org/index.php/society/membership>: accessed 24 July 2016).

³⁶ Pogue, Earl, interview, 18 July 2016.

HOPKINS COUNTY MUSEUM AND HERITAGE PARK



The Hopkins County Museum is housed in the former home of George H. Wilson, which was built in 1910. Some notable collections on display at the museum include Civil War memorabilia, Caddo Indian relics and women's period apparel. In addition to the museum, the eleven-acre Heritage Park includes multiple historical buildings which have been relocated to the park for the purpose of restoration and preservation. These historic buildings include, among others, a working blacksmith shop, the first

brick home in the county, a country store and post office, a grist mill, log houses, farm homes and a chapel.

Location:

416 North Jackson Street
Sulphur Springs, Texas

Museum Hours:

10:00 am – 2:00 pm
Tuesday through Saturday
Closed Sunday & Monday
Closed: Major Holidays

Phone:

(903)885-2387

Website:

<http://www.hopkinscountymuseum.org/>

Park Hours:

Open the same hours as the museum.
However, historic buildings will be open only during annual events and for groups by appointment. Guided tours are also available by special arrangement.

Admission:

Adults and children 12 years of age and older:	\$ 5.00
Children under 12 years of age:	\$ 3.00
Guided tour of buildings and grounds (per Adult):	\$10.00

The Heritage Park Chapel is also available for wedding ceremony rentals. Please visit the website for details.³⁷

³⁷ *The Hopkins County Museum and Heritage Park*, (<http://www.hopkinscountymuseum.org/> : accessed 24 July 2016).

SOUTHWEST DAIRY MUSEUM



Constructed in a typical dairy-farm style, the 10,000 square foot Southwestern Dairy Museum features a series of historical exhibits which depict the life on a dairy farm in America before the introduction of electricity in the rural areas. Visitors may also participate in demonstrations such as separating cream.³⁸ The main purpose of the museum is to preserve the history of the Southwestern dairy industry and supported by the alliance of the Southwestern Dairy Farmers, which is comprised of dairy farmers from Texas, New Mexico, Kansas, Missouri, Oklahoma, Virginia, Kentucky and North Carolina.³⁹

Location:

1210 Houston Street
Sulphur Springs, Texas 75482

Phone:

(903)439-MILK

Museum Hours of Operation:

Monday – Friday:
9:00 am – 4:00 pm
Open to the Public

Website:

<https://www.southwestdairyfarmers.com>

³⁸ Sulphur Springs, Texas: Southwest Dairy Center and Museum – Big Cows, digital image, *RoadsideAmerica* (<http://www.roadsideamerica.com/tip/7087>: accessed 24 July 2016); *Southwest Dairy Farmers, Museum*, (<https://www.southwestdairyfarmers.com/pages/museum> : accessed 24 July 2016);

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ON-LINE REPOSITORIES AND DATABASES

In addition to the standard “go-to” databases, such as Ancestry.com, FindaGrave.com, FamilySearch.org, Fold3.com, etc., the following databases can prove useful in your research endeavors.

Online Repository / Database

<u>Bureau of Land Management – General Land Office</u>	Land patent database.
<u>Early History of Hopkins County, Texas: Biographical Sketches and Incidents of the Early Settled Families (digitized book written by E.B. Fleming in 1902).</u>	This book contains information about Hopkins County, including Directories for Sulphur Springs and Nelta, chapters about important places and events in the history of the county, biographical sketches of individuals and families who settled the county, and a list of county officials.
<u>Family Search Wiki – Hopkins County, Texas</u>	Listing of various genealogy related resources for Hopkins County.
<u>Texas State Historical Association</u> <u>The Portal to Texas History</u>	THE SOURCE for the history of Texas and its people. Maintained by the University of North Texas, a growing collection of resources relating to Texas History, included historic newspapers, maps and photographs.
<u>TX Gen Web – Hopkins County, Texas (RootsWeb)</u>	County History and Community Information, along with transcriptions and/or abstracts of vital records, obituaries, family group sheets, family histories, cemeteries, churches, etc.
<u>US Gen Web – Hopkins County Texas</u>	Transcriptions and/or abstracts of various Bible, Census, Church, Land, Military and Vital Records relating to Hopkins County.

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