



Confederate Legacy

Sponsored by Texas Society Order of Confederate Rose, Inc.

Membership Application

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TSOCR Chapter _____ Amount \$ _____

Approval Date _____

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Name _____ Telephone _____

Street Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

Date of Birth _____ Sponsoring TSOCR Chapter or TDSCV Camp _____

MONTH

DAY

YEAR

ONE TIME MEMBERSHIP DUES - \$10.00

All funds received as Confederate Legacy membership dues are invested in an interest bearing account. The interest earned there from will be awarded as scholarships. Send completed application and check made payable to *TSOCR* to:

Cindy Bobbitt
211FM2274 North
Jacksonville, Texas 75766

Mark your choice of membership certificates: _____ Rose Petals for Young Ladies _____ Little Rebels for Young Gentlemen

Applications **MUST** be endorsed by a current member of the Texas Society Order of Confederate Rose or Texas Division Sons of Confederate Veterans.

Endorsed By (Signature) _____ Chapter/Camp # _____ Date _____



Rose O'Neal Greenhow

Rose O'Neal Greenhow was a 40 year old widow, a mother of four and a passionate secessionist when the War Between the States broke out. She ran an elaborate spy ring for the Confederacy from her home on 16th Street in Washington, D.C. Among her accomplishments, Mrs. Greenhow successfully sent a ten word secret message to General Beauregard that President Jefferson Davis later credited with helping to win the battle of Manassas.

Following her arrest for spying by the United States War Department, Mrs. Greenhow was confined in her home and then in Old Capital Prison in Washington for five months with her 8 year old daughter.

After being paroled and agreeing to never return to Washington, Mrs. Greenhow was greeted by cheering crowds in Virginia. She was received warmly by President Davis. Mrs. Greenhow continued to send messages to help the Confederacy by means of cryptic notes traveling in unlikely places like the inside of a woman's hair bun.

Her next mission took Mrs. Greenhow on a tour of Britain and France as a propagandist for the Confederate cause. Two months after her arrival in London, her memoirs were published.

The book enjoyed a wide sales following throughout the British Isles. In Europe, Mrs. Greenhow found a strong sympathy for the South, especially among the ruling classes. She was received at the court of Queen Victoria in England and the court of Napoleon III in France.

In 1864, after a year abroad Mrs. Greenhow boarded a British blockade-runner, the *Condor*, to take her home. Just prior to arriving at her destination, the vessel ran aground at the mouth of the Cape Fear River near Wilmington, NC. To avoid the pursuing Union gunboat, Mrs. Greenhow attempted to flee in a rowboat but the small boat capsized. Due to the weight of the gold sewn into her dress, royalties from her book, she was dragged under the water.

In October 1864, Rose O'Neal Greenhow was buried with full military honors in Oakdale Cemetery, Wilmington, NC. Her coffin was wrapped in the Confederate flag and carried by Confederate troops. The marble cross marking her grave bears the epitaph:



"Mrs. Rose O'N. Greenhow, a bearer of dispatches to the Confederate Government."

The Texas Society Order of Confederate Rose is named in honor of this great lady of the South. We strive to emulate the integrity and loyalty of one such patriot of our homeland.



WHAT IS A CONFEDERATE LEGACY?

A Confederate Legacy is a boy or girl in whom a member of the Texas Society Order of Confederate Rose or Texas Division Sons of Confederate Veterans wishes to cultivate an interest in southern heritage and culture.

WHAT DOES THE CONFEDERATE LEGACY DO?

Sponsors will aspire to instill in Legacy members a sense of understanding, appreciation and pride in southern history and traditions; and to honor those who sacrificed so much in defense of their southern homeland. Legacy members may participate in educational, benevolent and social functions as well as historical preservation with their sponsor(s). They may also attend TSOCR and TDSCV meetings, however meetings are not required.

WHO IS ELIGIBLE TO JOIN?

Referred to as "Little Rebels" (boys) and "Rose Petals" (girls), any child may enroll as a Confederate Legacy from birth through age ten. They will receive a pendant and membership certificate from the sponsoring TSOCR chapter.