GUIDE TO BIRTH RECORDS IN MILLS COUNTY CLERK RECORDS ON
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How to find -
- log in to familysearch.org
- go to direct link: https://familysearch.org/search/collection/1837923
- OR – Search / Records / Find a Collection / "Texas, Mills County Clerk Records, 1841-1985"
- Click on "Browse through 153,275 images"
- Click on "Vital records"

All of the vital records (birth, death, and marriage) are intermixed in alphabetical order according to what that particular set was labeled. The names of the birth records, in particular, are somewhat confusing.
- Anything with years in brackets at the end contains amended, delayed, or corrected certificates. The dates in brackets are the dates of issue. The non-bracketed years are original birth years. Exception: "Amendment to birth, v. B" and "v. C", and "Delayed births, v. A" and "v. D" are also amended or delayed certificates, but don't have bracketed years at the end of the title.
- Titles without brackets contain the original birth records (see exception above). Some are in the form of birth registers, with multiple entries per page, and the entry spanning two facing pages. Others have 2 or 3 "certificates" per page.
- A couple of sets are combined birth and death records. The birth records are usually in the front, although "Birth & Death records, v. 1, 1917-1934" has multiple sets of birth records also following the death records.

None of the these records are indexed online. However, there are two versions of "paper" indexes scanned with the collections.
- Index births, 1884-1992 – a typed index in rough alphabetical order (last names are grouped together and in alphabetical order, but not in order by first name or chronological). Information given includes name of child, birth date, and code for which record set to find the original record. (see explanation of codes below)
- Index to birth records, v. 1, 1883-1986 - a handwritten index in rough alphabetical order (last names are grouped by first two letters, according to a code printed on the top of each page). No particular order within that grouping. Information given includes name of child, name of father and mother, date of birth, and location of volume (different code from typed version – see explanation of codes below)
- Using these indexes, it is possible to find (with some trial and error) the actual document in the record sets.
- Some of the record sets also have indexes in the front of the books, but I have not found them to be particularly helpful.

Finding the actual image:
- Browse through one of the index to births until you find one you want to view.
- Note volume and page numbers.
- Go to correct volume record set, and locate the correct page number, using modified trial and error techniques. Keep in mind that the page number and the image number will not be the same.
  - For volumes that have indexes in the front, try adding about 25 to the page number to get closer to the correct image.

- Type in an image number. Note where the page number is compared to what you are looking for. Adjust the number appropriately.
- If it's one of the sets with lots of missing pages ("Birth record, v. 6, 1917-1927" and "Birth record, v. 8, 1934-1935", for instance) or dual-numbered register pages, try a random number, then adjust that number until you've got your page bracketed, then narrow down the testing numbers until you find it.

- To get the source for the image, go to the "Source Box" button, and click "Add to My Source Box". Click Save.
- This saves all of your sources under very similar names, with codes that will not be helpful. You will need to go to your Source Box, click on the source (the top one will be the last one added), and write the information down or otherwise save it. One method is to click on View, then highlight the pertinent information, and print it to a pdf file, saved to your computer.

MATCHING CODES TO RECORD SETS

ORIGINAL RECORD SETS	TYPED INDEX	HANDWRITTEN INDEX
Birth record, City of Goldthwaite, v. 1, 1918-1926 (91 images)	1	city - 1
Birth record, v. 2, 1909-1910 (43 images)	2	current - 2
Birth record, v. 3 & 4, 1910-1916 (664 images)	3 or 4	current – 3 or current - 4
Birth record, v. 5, 1916-1917 (141 images)	5	current - 5
Birth record, v. 6, 1917-1927 (139 images)	6	current - 6
Birth record, v. 7, 1925-1935 (515 records)	7	current - 7
Birth record, v. 8, 1934-1935 (97 records)	8	current - 8
Birth record, v. 1-G, 1903-1909 (216 images)	1-G	current - 1
Birth & Death records, v. 1, 1917-1934 (78 images)	1-M	(not indexed)
Birth & death record, v. D, Birth records, 1934-1944; Death records, 1934-1946 (204 images)	(not indexed)	(not indexed)
"AMENDED OR DELAYED" SETS		(SOME VARIATION LIKELY)
Affidavits to birth, No. 1, 1877-1935 [1940-1941] (321 images)	AFF-1	delayed - 1
Affidavits to birth record, [no.] 2, 1883-1927 [1941-1942] (282 images)	AFF-2	delayed - 2
Affidavits to birth, no. 3, 1876-1935 [1941-1942] (638 images)	AFF-3A	delayed - 3
Birth record with affidavit, prior to 1903, v. 3, 1886-1927 [1937-1939, 1941] (107 images)	AFF-3	affidavit - 3

"AMENDED OR DELAYED" SETS		(SOME VARIATION LIKELY)
Affidavits to birth, v. 4, 1879-1935 [1940-1942] (667 images)	AFF-4	delayed - 4
Affidavits to birth, v. 5, 1877-1935 [1942-1943] (666 images)	AFF-5	delayed - 5
Affidavits to birth, v. 6, 1869-1935 [1943] (674 images)	AFF-6	delayed - 6 correction - 6 affidavit - 6
Record of births, [v.] 7, 1853-1935 [1943-1945] (636 images)	AFF-7	delayed - 7
Birth record, v. 8, 1874-1935 [1945-1950] (630 images)	AFF-8	delayed - 8 correction - 8
Record of births, [v.] 9, 1883-1935 [1950-1953] (617 images)	AFF-9	delayed - 9 correction - 9
Record of births, [v.] 10, 1886-1935 [1953-1957] (665 images)	AFF-10	delayed - 10
Record of births, [v.] 11, 1882-1935 [1944, 1957-1960] (525 images)	AFF-11	delayed - 11 correction - 11
Delayed births, v. A, 1887-1935 (430 images)	DEL-A	delayed - A
Amendment to birth, v. B, 1887-1935 (449 images)	(not indexed)	amend. - B
Amendment to birth, v. C, 1887-1936 (430 images)	(not indexed)	amend. - C
Delayed births, v. D, 1887-1935 (249 images)	DEL-D	delayed - D
Amendment to birth, [v.] F, 1887-1938 [1943-2009] (90 images)	(not indexed)	amend. - F