

# FORT BEND COUNTY HISTORICAL COMMISSION

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Abstract: **Julius (Jess) Prentiss Stuart, III (son)**  
**Julius Prentiss Stuart, Jr. (father)**

In this one of a kind interview father and son reminisce about their experiences being 7th and 8th generation Texans who have been on their land since Stephen F. Austin awarded it to John Foster in 1824. They both tell colorful stories as they interweave their own personal experiences and tell of their ancestor's eventful lives.

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## Interview Summary

### People

Terri Stuart - wife of Jess  
 Savannah Grace Stuart - daughter of Jess  
 John Foster, Sr. - ancestor, (Old 300 Settler)  
 Randolph Foster - ancestor  
 Isaac Foster - ancestor  
 Stephen F. Austin  
 John C. White - Texas Agricultural  
 Commissioner  
 Andy Briscoe - decendent of original Fort Bend  
 family  
 Jo Carol Goins Stuart - wife of Jess  
 Serles Family  
 Bob Smith - employed Julius on farm  
 Vivian Smith - wife of Bob Smith  
 Hugh Benbow - boxer  
 Catfish Williams - main boxing promoter  
 Roy Hofheinz (- strodome promoter  
 Mr. Fidel Castro - speaker  
 Julius Prentiss Stuart, Sr. - father of Julius, aka  
 J.P.  
 Tichenor Stuart - grandfather of Julius  
 Bureen Fitzpatrick Stuart - father of Tichenor  
 Benjamin Clarence Stuart - father of Bureen  
 Martha Cordelia Mayes - wife of Benjamin  
 Francis Stuart Foster - daughter of Benjamin  
 and Martha  
 Hettie Foster - husband of Francis Stuart  
 John Foster - father of Hettie Foster  
 Mr. Rosenbush - former owner of Heritage  
 Ranch land  
 Randall Jones - friend of Randolph Foster

Mr. Gruenwald - known for bailing hay  
 Clara Stuart Glick - sister of Julius Sr.  
 Ralph Cowgill - author  
 John Claiborn Foster - son of John Foster  
 George Glick - Texas Ranger  
 Francis Mayes - married Martha Foster

### Places / Businesses

John Foster League  
 Stephen F. Austin's Old Three Hundred  
 'OK' Brand  
 Travis Elementary School  
 Bowie Elementary School  
 Lamar Junior High School  
 George Junior High School  
 Wharton County Junior College  
 Texas A&M - degree in Kinesiology  
 Sugar Land, Texas  
 Laura Eldridge Memorial Hospital, in  
 Sugar Land  
 Sugarland Industries Foster Farms  
 Jones Creek  
 First Baptist Church in Rosenberg  
 Gordon Ranch  
 Jimmy and Larry Rude Hardware store  
 Schulz store  
 Wilkinson County, Mississippi

**Events**

Received Texas Land Heritage Award 1975

Aunt Reba called police

Phillips Ranch hog killing

Executive Director of the TW Davis YMCA

Learning to milk a cow

Lost an arm in Confederate battles

Shutdown Smith ranch

Dangers of working in the oil field

Randolf Foster speaking with  
Karankawa Indians

Met the pirate, Jean Lafitte, on Galveston  
Island

The Runaway Scrape