



I was not raised in the area where Fort Polk is, but we would visit every 3 or 4 years to grandma and grandpa Cryer.

I did farm for my Uncle George Cryer one year. and I worked at the Fort building Barracks for the troops coming in for training, before I had to go myself in to the service for the war. So I have some good memories from the area of Fort Polk; I had 15 Uncles and Aunts and 65 First Cousins from the area of the Fort.

I know that it was a great sacrifice for those folks to have to give up their homestead and move, but all in all it was for a good cause, and at the same time was a source of income for those same folks that had to go to new locations and make a new homestead. Today I don't feel that anyone from that time period has any ill feelings about the situation in anyway. It worked out for the good of all. God bless all.

By Cecil Walker:

## Heritage Day

At Fort Polk Louisiana      Nov. 6 2010

The past heritage day, was one to remember, And, I hope it comes again next November.

A great time, was surely had by all, If there was one better, I don't recall.

The Army did so well, to help us out, But I was sure they would, no doubt.

Let us honor them, with honor due, In their assignment, they always come through.

Our Heritage, let us not take it for granted, We were put off the land that we planted:

We were also in War, for the right, To have a place; to lay our head at night.

But we must move on, wounds do heal, there is no reason, for grudge I feel.

Thank our God for the time he gave, As the blood of his son, was given to save.