I have a source, Jim Franklin, 2nd cousin, DOB: 1917 that did quite a bit of genealogy. I’ve sent you his notes on Lewis Edmund Franklin (and attach them to this email). In it he references two children of Lewis Edmund Franklin:

 **Lewis Franklin (B. 1834, Ala.)**

In the notes he says that Lewis “went to Sherman, Texas, there owned a saddle and harness business and a section of land. He was killed in a feud with three brothers who lived in Sherman and were in the same kind of business.”

I searched the census records for Lewis Franklin in Texas and found the following:

1850 Census has an entry for L E Franklin, Bonham, Fannin, Tx, Sadler (sic), 18 years old (1832) living with the family headed by Ezra T (boot and shoemaker) and Elizabeth Isbell

1860 Census has an entry for L E Franklin, Grayson, TX (Sherman Post Office), Saddler, 26 years old (1834) living with the family headed by ST Hunter (Phy.) and Louisa Hunter (Dom.[Domestic])

1870 Census – Can’t find an entry for him

1880 Census – Can’t find an entry for him

Bonham is east of Sherman Texas and Grayson is Northwest of Sherman.

I wonder if this is the Lewis Franklin, son of Lewis Edmund Franklin (b. 1802)

**Willis Franklin (no birth date given)**
“Left Mansfield, LA for Southeast Texas and was never heard from again”

1850 Census
Bonham, Fannin, Texas
L E Franklin - 18 - Born in Alabama (1832) – Sadler
In the household of Ezra T Isbell (Boot & Shoemaker)

1860 Census
San Augustine, Tx
Willis Franklin - 31 - Born in Alabama (1829)
In the household of Stephen Thompson, possibly with future wife Mary who is listed as 28 - (1830)

1870 Census
San Augustine, Texas
Willis Franklin - 45 - Born in Alabama (1825) – Farmer
Married to Mary - 38 born in South Carolina
Children:
Calvin 4 born in Texas
 Mary 1 born in Texas

1880 Census
San Augustine, Texas
Willis B. Franklin - 63 - Born in Alabama (1817) – Farmer
Married to Mary - 47 - Born in South Carolina
Children; Calvin Sanders 14 - Born in Texas listed as adopted

I wonder if this is the Willis Franklin, the son of Lewis Edmund Franklin (b. 1802)

Note that in the 1850 census he is living with L E Franklin in the same household, near Sherman Texas.

Then he moves to San Augustine, Texas, nearer Mansfield in East Texas.