

## LONE STAR FLAG

I am the flag of the great Lone Star State of Texas. When Texans look upon me, names such as Austin, Houston, Travis, Fannin, Bowie, and Crockett flash through their memories. They think of the landmarks of Texas Liberty, Goliad, San Jacinto, and the Alamo. I represent grazing cattle, fruit laden orchards, green fields of grain, and brightly painted barns.

It was me that Colonel Fannin was speaking of when he said, “give us a flag for which we can fight and hoist up in defiance of Santa Anna.” My vertical line of blue stands for loyalty, in all Texans hearts. My horizontal strip of red represents the blood that has been shed by Texans everywhere in the name of freedom, and liberty. A star has always been my symbol of domination and sovereignty and it is only fitting that I should bear a star as the symbol of the Lone Star State of Texas.

I represent many things to many people. I can be all that you make me, but nothing more. As long as men cherish liberty and freedom, I shall continue to fly proudly over the Free State of Texas.