

Site of Former Town of Danville

Marker #: 7872

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Index Name: Danville

Address:

City: Willis

County: Montgomery, County ID: 170

UTM Zone: 15

UTM Zone East: 257855

UTM Zone North: 3374207

Code: graveyards; settlements; ghost towns

Year: 1970

Recorded Texas Historic Landmark: False

Local Description: Shepard Hill Rd., north on 45 from Danville, 4 mi. from Willis

Size of Marker: 18" x 28"

Marker Text: Founded before 1840 as trade center, rich plantation area. Many prominent families had Texas beginnings here. At peak, town had 15 businesses, several churches, good schools; refusing right-of-way to Houston & Great Northern Railway in 1870s, lost its people and commerce to new town of Willis, on the railroad. Sheperd Hill Cemetery (at this site) is all that remains of the once-thriving town.

Claim to enduring fame lies in memory of Jonathan Lindley, a Danville man who lost his life defending cause of Texas at the Alamo, March 6, 1836.

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