

Civil War Genealogy Billy Yank & Johnny Reb

Records from 1861 and Beyond

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Civil War Records & Genealogy

In this lecture we will:

- Focus on records and resources found online, in family collections, and in libraries/archives
- Overview of a reasonably exhaustive search
- Utilize information and data to further personal, scholarly, and communal genealogical research


We will not:

- Narrate every decision made or outcome from famous battles
- Argue over viewpoints of a person/army/side/ personal point of view

Home, Local Library and FamilySearch Center Databases



Fold3 and Ancestry for active and retired military personnel




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Biography & Genealogy



ANCESTRY

Ancestry offers access to billions of names from more than 4,000 genealogical databases. Censuses from the U.S., Canada, United Kingdom (U.K.) Ireland, and more than 150 million military records are available.


[Access](#)



GALE IN CONTEXT: BIOGRAPHY

Gale in Context: Biography offers access to thousands of both contemporary and historical biographies.

[Access](#)



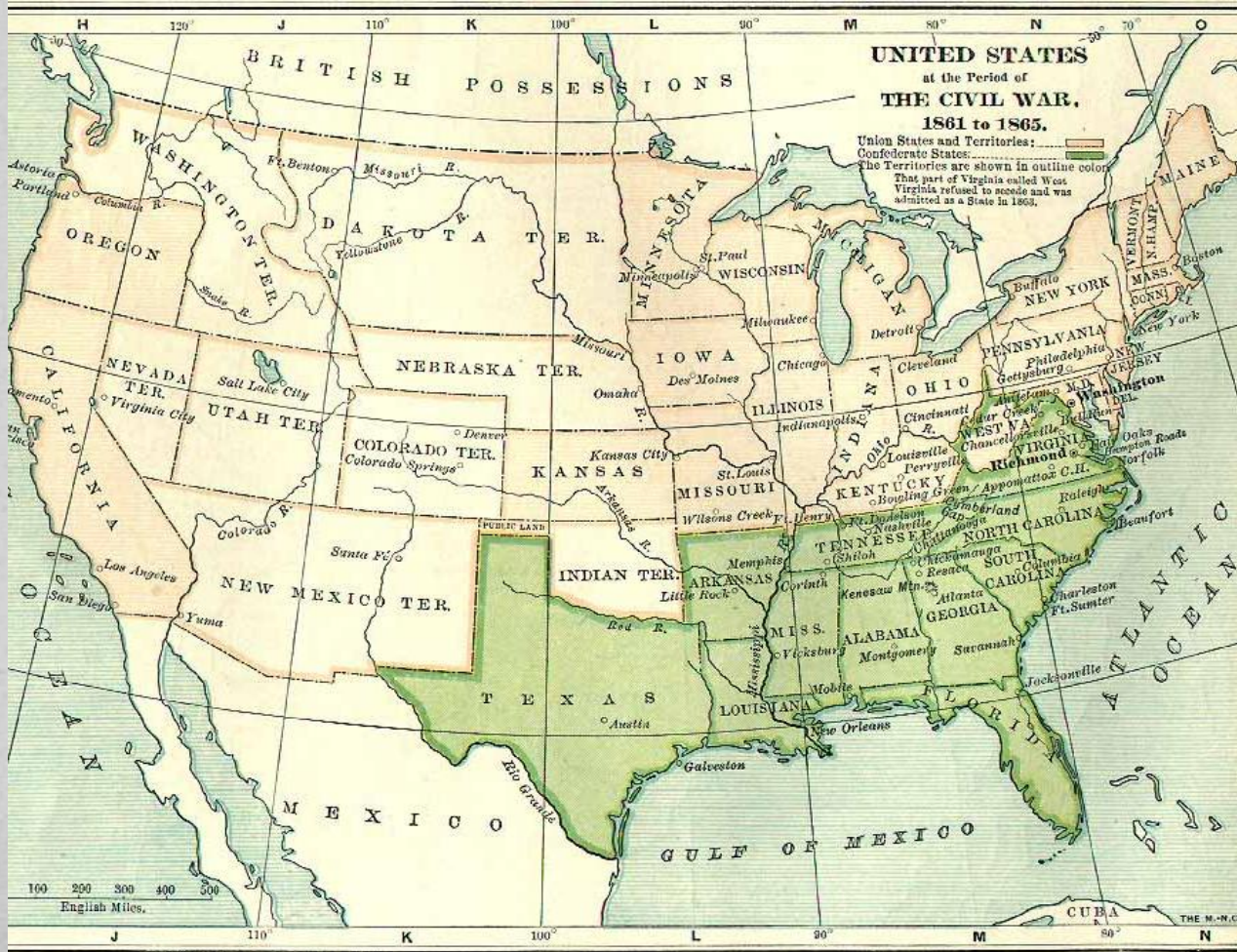
FOLD3

Fold3 allows users access to US military records, including the stories, photos and personal documents of those who served from the Revolutionary War onward.

[Access](#)

<https://www.dodmwrlibraries.org/biography-genealogy>

United States of America (Union States)



- Maine
- New York
- New Hampshire
- Vermont
- Massachusetts
- Connecticut
- Rhode Island
- Pennsylvania
- New Jersey
- Ohio
- Indiana
- Illinois
- Kentucky
- Kansas
- Michigan
- Missouri
- Wisconsin
- Minnesota
- Iowa
- California
- Nevada
- Oregon
- West Virginia

Union and Confederate Units

- Kentucky
- Missouri
- Kansas
- Nebraska Territory
- Colorado Territory



Both Union and Confederate Units were formed or originated from these areas. Union records will be kept at the National Archives, and Confederate records are stored on a local or state level

Information on regiments which fought in western skirmishes may found War Department records and are available for research in at the National Archives

African-Americans who served or assisted with the Confederate forces is a growing field of research. Fold3 has a great topic page to assist with research:

http://www.fold3.com/page/1201_confederate_african_americancivil_war/

Union Military Records – 1861 to 1865

- Enlistment Records/ Separation Papers
- Draft Records
- Muster Rolls
- Service Records
- Soldier & Regiment Lists
- Lists of Deserters
- Headstone Records
- Hospital Registers
- Prisoner of War Records
- Maps
- Inspection Reports
- Newspapers



Union Records – After the War

- Homestead Applications
- Pension Records
- Headstone Application Files
- Interviews
- Regimental Histories
- Veterans Organizations
- County Histories
- Veterans Homes
- Newspapers
- Veterans Administration Master Index Cards
- Obituaries
- Statues and Monuments



Websites for Union Veteran Research

- Ancestry (Ancestry.com or Ancestry Library Edition)
- Fold3 - www.fold3.com
- Family Search – www.familysearch.org
- Chronicling America Historic Newspapers
<http://chroniclingamerica.loc.gov>
- FromThePage – www.fromthepage.com
- Grand Army of the Republic Records
<http://www.garrerecords.org/>
- Library of Congress Civil War Maps Collection
<https://www.loc.gov/collections/civil-war-maps/about-this-collection/>
- Civil War Soldiers & Sailors System
- <http://www.nps.gov/civilwar/search-soldiers.htm>
- American Battlefield Trust -
<https://www.battlefields.org/>
- National Archives -
<https://www.archives.gov/research/military/civil-war>
- Internet Archive -
<https://archive.org/>
- HathiTrust -
<https://www.hathitrust.org/>

Do You Already Have These Records?

- Did my ancestor serve?
 - Family Stories
 - Photographs
 - Obituaries
 - Headstone Information
 - County History
 - 1890 Veterans Census, 1910 & 1930 Federal Census
 - Homestead Records



Unidentified Civil War veteran and unidentified World War I soldier. Photo by Schriever, between 1914 and 1918. <https://goo.gl/MQR93E>

Records for Union Veteran Research

- Dates of Service

- Military Enlistment Registers
- Discharge Papers
- Muster Rolls
- Military Service File
- Soldier Pension/Widow's Pension Record
- Veterans Administration Master Index Card

- Rank and Unit Information

- Military Enlistment Registers
- Soldier Pension/Widow's Pension Record
- Military Service File
- Unit Rosters/Muster Rolls
- Discharge Papers
- Enlistment Forms
- Unit Histories
- County/State Histories
- Lineage Societies



Websites for Union Veteran Research

- Ancestry

- *U.S. Civil War Soldiers Database*
- *Civil War Pension Files American Civil War Soldiers*
- *U.S. Civil War Draft Registration Records 1863-1865*
- *U.S., Civil War Draft Registrations Records, 1863-1865*
- *U.S. Civil War Soldiers Records and Profiles*
- *Civil War Pension Index: General Index to Pension Files*
- *U.S. Civil War POW Records*
- *U.S. Colored Troops Military Service Records, 1861-1865*
- *U.S., Returns from Military Posts, 1806-1916*
- *U.S. National Homes for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers, 1866-1938*
- *U.S., Registers of Deaths of Volunteers, 1861-1865*
- *Headstones Provided for Deceased Union Civil War Veterans, 1861-1904*

Websites for Union Veteran Research

- **Ancestry** (continued)

- *U.S., Civil War Draft Registrations Records, 1863-1865*
- *U.S., Union Soldiers Compiled Service Records, 1861-1865*
- *US, African American Civil War Sailor Index, 1861-1865*
- *U.S., Descriptive Lists of Colored Volunteer Army Soldiers, 1864*
- *U.S., Registers of Deaths in the Regular Army, 1860-1889*
- *U.S., Registers of Deaths in the Regular Army, 1860-1889*
- *U.S. Returns from Regular Army Infantry Regiments, 1821-1916*

- **Ancestry Union Naval Records**

- *U.S. Navy Pensions Index, 1861-1910*
- *U.S., Naval Enlistment Rendezvous, 1855-1891*
- *U.S., Naval Hospital Tickets and Case Papers, 1825-1889*
- *U.S., Navy Casualties Books, 1776-1941*

Websites for Union Veteran Research

- [Fold3](#)

- *Army Register of Enlistments, 1798-1914*
- *Army Registers, 1798-1969*
- *Final Statements, 1862-1899*
- *Civil War Pension Index and Files*
- *Widow's Pension Files*
- *US Veterans Administration Pension Payment Cards*

- [Fold3](#) Union Naval Records

- *Naval Enlistment Weekly Returns, 1855-1891*
- *Navy and Marine Corps Officers, 1775-1900*
- *Navy Casualty Reports, 1776-1941*
- *Navy Survivors' Certificates (Approved and Disapproved)*
- *Navy Widows' Certificates (Approved and Disapproved)*

Websites for Union Veteran Research

- [Fold3](#) and [Ancestry](#)
 - *Army Register of Enlistments 1789-1914*

Enlistee Name	Enlist Date	Where	By whom	Period or Duration	Where Born?	Age	Occupation	DESCRIPTION				Height
NAMES.	WHEN.	WHERE.	BY WHOM.	PERIOD.	TOWN OR COUNTY.	STATE.	OCCUPATION.	EYES.	HAIR.	COMPLEXION.	HEIGHT.	
								Eyes	Hair	Completion	Feet	Inches
★ Munroe, James	Aug 10	Danville Pa	Capt Smeader	3 yrs	Rapahoe Donegal	Ireland	25 Laborer	Blue	Brown	Ruddy	5	6
Michael	.. 14	Cincinnati	O. St. Smith	3.	Cincinnati	Ohio	16	Blue	Light	Fair	4	10 1/2
★ Moran, Michael	.. 20	"	"	3.	Leinster	Ireland	22 Boatman	Grey	Brown	Dark	5	8 1/2
Murphy, James	.. 21	"	"	3.	New Orleans	La	16 Cabin Boy	Black	"	Dark	4	11 1/2
Mitchell, William H.	.. 15	Auburn	Wm Capt Stanhope	3.	Montreal	Canada	21 Laborer	Grey	Sandy	Fair	5	6
Mills, Joseph C.	.. 24	"	"	3.	Marschellus	N.Y.	21	Blue	Brown	"	5	4 1/2
★ Moerz, William	.. 16	Kirkuk Ia	Smith	3.	Willenberg	Germany	22 Farmer	Hazel	"	Dark	5	8 1/2
Murray, Samuel	.. 20	"	"	5.	Indianapolis	Ind	21	Blue	Light	Fair	5	3
Malott, William	.. 19	Newark	O. St. Stormson	3.	Muckinsum Co.	Ohio	21 Cooper	Hazel	Brown	Fair	5	6 1/2

Munroe, James

Moran, Michael

Moerz, William

Rapahoe, Donegal, Ireland

Leinster, Ireland

Willenberg or Wittenberg Germany

Union Army Deserters

[OFFICIAL.]

A LIST AND DESCRIPTION OF DESERTERS FROM THE UNITED STATES ARMY



PUBLISHED EXCLUSIVELY IN THIS PAPER BY ORDER OF THE ADJUTANT GENERAL OF THE U. S. ARMY.

NO.	NAME.	REGIMENT AND COMPANY.	AGE.	EYES.	HAIR.	COM- PLEXION.	HEIGHT.	WHERE BORN.	OCCUPATION.	DATE AND PLACE OF ENLISTMENT.	DATE AND PLACE OF DESERTION.	REMARKS.
	Michael Dulaney	Rec. 1st Inf.	26	blue	brown	fair	5 8	Rosguny, Ireland	labourer	April 21, " Hamilton, Ohio	Aug. 22, " Newport bk's Ky.	Second Desertion.
	Zopher Keible	Rec. R.M.R.	28	blue	dark	dark	5 5	Baden, Germany	saddler	July 17, " Norwalk, Ohio	" 20, " en route New. bks.	
	James Bell	Rec. 6th Inf.	24	blue	light	light	5 8	Down, Ireland	labourer	Aug. 26, " Philadelphia, Pa.	" 26, " Philadelphia	
	Edward O'Donnel	Rec. G. S.	25	gray	brown	fair	5 6	Donegal, Ireland	segar-maker	" 25, " "	" 27, " "	
	Joseph Smith	" F	22	gray	black	dark	5 5	Dublin	farmer	July 1, " "	" 26, " "	Barracks en route to New-York
	James McGurk	4th Inf'y	26	gray	dark	dark	5 6	Ballaugh, Ireland	labourer	Sept. 14, " Buffalo, N. Y.	Sept. 15, " Buffalo	
	James Ross	Recruit	31	hazel	brown	fair	5 7½	Lanarch, "	tailor	Aug. 12, " Whitehall, N. Y.	" 1, " Troy, N. Y.	
	Edwin Jarrel Wilcox	" 8th In.	21	hazel	brown	fair	5 10	Hartford Con.	mademaker	" 22, " "	" 23, " "	

\$30 REWARD.

A reward of THIRTY DOLLARS will be paid to any person who shall apprehend and deliver a deserter to an officer of the army at any Military Post or Recruiting Station.

Proclamation Granting Amnesty to Soldiers Absent Without Leave - March 10, 1863 <https://shorturl.at/GM8y4>

Proclamation Offering Pardon to Deserters - March 11, 1865 <https://shorturl.at/oT4jE>

Websites for Union Veteran Research

Headstones Provided for Deceased Union Civil War Veterans, 1861-1904

Fyfe, William
→ *Pvt.* → *E.*, Regt. → *16th*
→ *Ill. Cav.*

Cemetery *Village.*
City or Town *Murphyboro.*
County and State *Jackson. Ill.*

→ Grave *—*

died Sept. 10th 1872.
Headstone supplied 18
by *Wm. Manson.*

Contract dated *Jan. 21st 1883.*

- Congress passed a series of acts providing headstones and burials for honorably discharged Civil War veterans in both national and private cemeteries
- Contains headstone information provided by the government for deceased veterans of the War of 1812 & the Civil War
- Most soldiers included in this database died between 1861 and 1903, and gravestones were erected between 1879 and 1903

Websites for Union Veteran Research

U.S., Headstone Applications for Military Veterans, 1925 - 1963

WAR DEPARTMENT
O. Q. M. G. Form No. 623
Approved Aug. 12, 1913
Revised May 12, 1925

PLEASE MAKE OUT AND RETURN IN DUPLICATE

APPLICATION FOR HEADSTONE

David D. Rhodes Co. K 88 Ohio Inf. Civil War 20486

NAME			RANK	COMPANY	U. S. Regiment, State Organization, or Vessel	DATE OF DEATH
RHODES, David D.			Pvt.	K	88th O.V.I.	Sept. 26-27

If World War veteran—			NAME OF CEMETERY	Located in or near—	
Division	State	Emblem		CITY	STATE
		Christian Hebrew None	Allen	Hilldale	Mich.

TO BE SHIPPED TO	PERMANENT ADDRESS
Mrs. Wm. Gratz (Name of consignee) at Allen, Hilldale Co., Mich.	Allen, Mich
OCT 8 1927 (Give town, county, and State)	DATE 10-3-1927
	I hereby agree to accept the headstone at above destination, freight prepaid, and properly place same at decedent's grave.
	Mrs. Wm Gratz, Consignee.

DO NOT WRITE HERE	Address	Date
OCT 11 1927	Allen, Mich	10-3-1927
Verified	This application is for the UNMARKED* grave of a. It is understood the stone will be furnished and delivered at the railroad station or steamboat landing above indicated, at Government expense, freight prepaid, and agreed it will be promptly removed and set up at private expense.	
Ordered	†State whether soldier, sailor, marine, Army nurse, etc. Mrs. Wm. Gratz	
From	Applicant.	
Shipped APR 2 1928		

*Stones must not be requested for any grave at which a private stone, monument, or other permanent marker is already erected or is to be erected. 3-8654

Websites for Union Veteran Research

- [FamilySearch](#)

- Records vary by state

- Civil War Service Records
- Civil War Pension & Widows Pension Records
- Freedmen's Bureau Records
- Old Soldier Homes
- Veterans Cemetery Records and Burial Cards
- *1890 Census of Veterans and Widows*
- *Applications for U.S. Military Veterans, 1925-1949*
- *United States Records of Headstones of Deceased Union Veterans, 1879-1903*
- *United States Veterans Administration Pension Payment Cards, 1907-1933*

Soldiers discharges, 1863-1865

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Authors: [Ingham County \(Michigan\). County Clerk](#) (Main Author)

Format: Books/Monographs/Book on Film

Language: English

Publication: Salt Lake City, Utah : Filmed by the Genealogical Society of Utah, 1975

Physical: on 1 microfilm reel ; 35 mm.

Notes

Microreproduction of ms.

[View this catalog record in WorldCat for other possible copy locations](#) 

Subjects



Locality Subjects

[United States, Michigan, Ingham - Military records](#)

Location

Family History Library ▼

Film/Digital Notes (This family history center has 1 of 1 films/fiche.)

Note	Location	Collection/Shelf	Film	DGS	Format
Soldiers discharges, 1863-1865	Family History Library	United States & Canada Film	977064 Item 3	4674162	 

Discharge Records

- Veteran Name
- Company
- Regiment
- Enrollment Date
- Discharge Date
- Discharge Place
- Reason for Discharge
- Birth Place and Date
- Physical Characteristics
- Signatures and Certifications

TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

Know Ye, That Edward B. Trefry, a Private of Captain N. Augustus Parker Company, (D) 2^d Regiment of Michigan Infantry Volunteers, who was enrolled on the fifth day of August, one thousand eight hundred and eighty six, to serve three years or during the War, is hereby **DISCHARGED** from the service of the United States, this thirtieth day of May, 1865, at Delany House D. C. by reason of C. O. No 22 H. Q. 9th A. C. May 20, 1865.

No objection to his being re-enlisted is known to exist.

Said Edward B. Trefry was born in _____ County, in the State of Nova Scotia, is twenty years of age, five feet five and half inches high, dark complexion, blue eyes, dark hair, and by occupation, _____ when enrolled, a _____

Given at Delany House D. C., this thirtieth day of May, 1865.

N. Augustus Parker
Captain Comd'g Co. D

Sylvester Keyser
Capt. 2^d Mich. Vols. A. C. M.
1st Div. 9 A. C.

I Hereby Certify, That the above is a true copy of the original, recorded this 20th day of August, 1866.

H. P. Henderson
County Clerk.

Soldiers Homes

National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers, 1866-1938 – FamilySearch

<https://www.familysearch.org/search/collection/1916230>

- Name
- Enlistment/Induction Location & Date
- Service Details (Company, Unit)
- Discharge Date
- Military Disability Information
- Birthplace and Date (or age)
- Religion and Occupation
- Residence (Street Address, City, County, State)
- Marital Status & Name and Address of Nearest Relative

11514

James P. Nelson

MILITARY HISTORY.

Time and Place of Each Enlistment	Rank	Company and Regiment	Time and Place of Discharge	Cause of Discharge	Kind and Degree of Disability	When and Where Contracted
20. April 1864 Milwaukee Wis	Private	"G" 16 th Wis Inf.	12 July 1865 Madison Wis	Close of War	Loss left arm - Receiv. War. Injury of head & bayonet wound right leg in service	1872 Manistee, Mich. 1864 In service

DOMESTIC HISTORY.

Where Born	Age	Height	Complexion	Color of Eyes	Color of Hair	Read and Write	Religion	Occupation	Residence Subsequent to Discharge	Married or Single	Name and Address of Nearest Relative
Ireland July 3. 1842	54	5-8 1/2	Fair			Yes	Cath	Laborer	Milwaukee Wis	Married	Son: Andrew Hattiesburg L Perry Co. Miss.

Supplement this with an enlistment record!

Websites for Union Veteran Research

- FamilySearch

- Grand Army of the Republic

- *Roster of the Department of Pennsylvania, Grand Army of the Republic*
 - *Roster of the Post Membership of the Department of Kansas, Grand Army of the Republic*
 - *Grand Army of the Republic Records, Iowa Posts : Indexes to Veterans ; Post Membership Records*
 - *Grand Army of the Republic Utah membership*
 - *Journal of the Annual Encampment, Department of Michigan, Grand Army of the Republic*

Requesting Pension & Service Records

Civil War General Pension Index for David D. Rhodes of Van Wert, Ohio

NAME OF SOLDIER:		Rhodes, David D.			(3-H-3)
NAME OF DEPENDENT:		Widow, Minor,			
SERVICE:		K 88 Ohio Inf			
DATE OF FILING.	CLASS.	APPLICATION NO.	CERTIFICATE NO.	STATE FROM WHICH FILED.	
1882 May 12	Invalid, Widow, Minor,	449 223	544 517	Ohio	
ATTORNEY:					
REMARKS:					

Requesting Pension & Service Records

National Archives

How to Order Older Military Service or Pension Records

Select the type of Military Service or Pension Records (pre-1917) you need and select the Order Online or Download the Form link:



Military Service Records

[Order Online](#)  | [Download the Form](#) 

Form Number: **NATF 86**

Use to: Order compiled records based on pre-1917 military service in the United States forces.

Military Pension/Bounty Land Warrant Applications

[Order Online](#)  | [Download the Form](#) 

Form Number: **NATF 85**

Use to: Order copies of military pension application files based on Federal (not State or Confederate) service between 1775 and 1903 (before World War I).

Categories of pension/bounty land files available using NATF Form 85:

Order copies of military pension application files based on Federal (not State or Confederate) service between 1775 and 1903 (before World War I).

Categories of pension/bounty land files available using NATF Form 85:

1. A complete Civil War and later pension application file (up to 100 pages), based on Federal (not State or Confederate) military service during the Civil War or later (includes the Pension Documents Packet.)
2. A complete Federal pre-Civil War military pension application based on Federal military service before 1861 (includes the Pension Documents Packet.)
3. A pension document packet that contains reproductions of eight documents containing genealogical information about the pension applicant, to the extent these documents are present in the file.
4. A complete military bounty land application file based on service 1775-1855 (includes only rejected Revolutionary War applications).

<https://www.archives.gov/veterans/military-service-records/pre-ww-1-records>

CivilWarRecords.com

Record Retrieval & Research at the National Archives



www.civilwarrecords.com

Looking For Johnny Reb

Confederate Records 1861 and Beyond

Looking at the State Level

- Confederate soldiers and sailors enlisted or were recruited at a local and state level
- Most individuals received discharges, pensions, payment receipts, and other paperwork at a local or state level.
- All pension applications for assistance were reviewed by a board to ensure the veteran had no other means of support
- Depending on the state, widows and children were eligible for support on a case by case basis
- Special censuses for veterans were collected periodically

Websites for Confederate Veteran Research

- Fold3

- *Confederate Amnesty Papers*
- *Confederate Casualty Reports*
- *Confederate Citizens File*
- *Confederate Letters, 1861-1865*
- *Confederate Navy Subject File*
- *General Orders of Confederate War Dept*

- Ancestry



- *U.S., Confederate Army Casualty Lists and Reports, 1861-1865*
- *U.S., Records of Confederate Prisoners of War, 1861-1865*
- *U.S., Pardons Under Amnesty Proclamations, 1865-1869*
- *Confederate Applications for Presidential Pardons, 1865-1867*
- **Pension Applications and Records** - Alabama, Arkansas, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Louisiana, Missouri, Mississippi, North Carolina, Texas, Virginia

Websites for Confederate Veteran Research

- [FamilySearch](http://FamilySearch.org) (Familysearch.org)

- Records vary by state

- Compiled Service Records of Confederate Soldiers
- County and State Pension Rolls, Indexes, and Records
- State Veterans Censuses
- Regimental Histories and Rosters
- Applications Confederate Veteran Homes

- ★ *Confederate States Army Casualties: Lists and Narrative reports*

- *Artificial Limb Vouchers for Confederate Service (South Carolina), 1867-1869, 1880-1887*
- *Muster lists of the Cherokee Confederate Indians*
- *Register of Confederate Soldiers, Sailors and Citizens who Died in Federal Prisons and Military Hospitals in the North, 1861-1865*

Enlistment and Postwar Documents

- Enlistment Oaths and Discharges
- Consent for a Minor
- Discharge – (Requests, Denials, Recommendations)
- Payments – (Requests or Receipts)
- Confederate Amnesty Papers
- Pension Applications
- Southern Claims Commission Files
- Veteran Groups & Reunions
- Newspaper Obituaries

Alternative Military Records Oaths of Allegiance

The federal government required men who had supported the Confederacy to take an oath of allegiance to the United States or obtain a presidential pardon before they could regain enfranchisement

Georgia Reconstruction Registration Oath Books, 1867-1868 (FamilySearch)

STATE OF GEORGIA, } No. 431
COUNTY OF Chatham } PERSONALLY APPEARED before me this 29 day
of June 1867, Patrick Hendrick
who states that he resides in the Election Precinct of Newmarket, Chatham COUNTY,

Patrick Hendrick

do solemnly swear
in the presence of Almighty God, that I am a citizen of the State of Georgia; that I have resided in said State for 12 months next preceding this day, and now reside in the County of Chatham, City of Savannah in said State; that I am 21 years old; that I have not been disfranchised for participation in any rebellion or civil war against the United States, nor for felony committed against the laws of any State or the United States; that I have never been a member of any State Legislature, nor held any executive or judicial office in any State, and afterwards engaged in insurrection or rebellion against the United States, or given aid or comfort to the enemies

Born in Ireland and naturalized on 27th of August 1866 in the County Court of Chatham County

IN TESTIMONY OF FIDELITY AGAINST THE UNITED STATES, OF GIVEN HIM AND COMFORT TO THE ENEMIES THEREOF, THAT I WILL LOYALLY SUPPORT THE CONSTITUTION AND OBEY THE LAWS OF THE UNITED STATES, AND WILL TO THE BEST OF MY ABILITY, ENCOURAGE OTHERS SO TO DO. SO HELP ME, GOD.

The said Patrick Hendrick further swears
that he has not been previously registered under the provisions of "An act supplementary to 'an act to provide for the more efficient government of the rebel States'—passed March 2, 1867—and to facilitate restoration," under this or any other name, in this or any other Election District; and further, that he was born in Ireland
and naturalized by Levi J. Russell on the 27th day
of August, 1866, in the County Court of
Chatham County. Patrick Hendrick

SWORN TO AND SUBSCRIBED before me

Henry J. Russell
Register of the Local Registration District.

436. Ireland No. 468
STATE OF GEORGIA, }
COUNTY OF Chatham } PERSONALLY APPEARED before me this 29 day
of June 1867, Samuel Bryson
who states that he resides in the Election Precinct of Newmarket, Chatham COUNTY,

Samuel Bryson

do solemnly swear
in the presence of Almighty God, that I am a citizen of the State of Georgia; that I have resided in said State for 12 months next preceding this day, and now reside in the County of Chatham, City of Savannah in said State; that I am 21 years old; that I have not been disfranchised for participation in any rebellion or civil war against the United States, nor for felony committed against the laws of any State or the United States; that I have never been a member of any State Legislature, nor held any executive or judicial office in any State, and afterwards engaged in insurrection or rebellion against the United States, or given aid or comfort

Born in Ireland and naturalized in September 1857 in the City Court of Philadelphia Penn.

So help me, God."

The said Samuel Bryson further swears
that he has not been previously registered under the provisions of "An Act supplementary to 'an act to provide for the more efficient government of the rebel States'—passed March 2, 1867—and to facilitate restoration," under this or any other name, in this or any other Election District; and further, that he was born in Ireland
and naturalized by Judge Ledlow on the
day of September, 1857, in the City Court of Philadelphia Penn.

SWORN TO AND SUBSCRIBED before me

Albert Jackson
Register of the Local Registration District.

Pension Records

- Veteran Name, place and date of birth, previous and current residency
- Physical injuries and conditions
- Name of wife and dependents
- Property ownership and income
- Witness accounts and affidavits
- Widow and dependent pension applications

Pension Records

Russel Jones

Pension Application

Douglas County, GA

February 1, 1902

Length – 13 Pages

Power of Attorney.

STATE OF GEORGIA,
Douglas County. }
I, R. D. Jones, hereby authorize
H. D. Jones of Douglasville Ga.
to receive and receipt for the pension allowed, and request that he render same to
at 1st day of September 1902
Witness my hand and seal, this 1st day of September 1902
R. D. Jones [L. S.]
Executed in presence of
J. R. Hutchinson

Questions for Applicant.

STATE OF GEORGIA,

Douglas County. }

R. D. Jones of said State and County, desiring
to avail himself of the Pension Act (Section 1254, Code), hereby submits his proofs, and after being duly
sworn true answers to make to the following questions, deposes and answers as follows:

1. What is your name and where do you reside? (give State, County and post office).
R. D. Jones, State of Ga. Douglas Co. Austell Ga.
2. How long and since when have you been a resident of this State? Since May 4th 1834
Sixty Seven years.
3. When and where were you born? May 4th 1834 in Hall Co., Ga.
4. When and where and in what company and regiment did you enlist or serve?
January 1862 in Hall Co. Ga. 1st Ga. State troops
5. How long did you remain in such company and regiment? From January 1862 to
April 4th 1865 (a little over three years)
6. When and where was your company and regiment surrendered and discharged?
April 4th 1865 near Summerville South Carolina
7. Were you present with your company and regiment when it was surrendered? I was
8. If not present, state specifically and clearly where you were, when you left your command, for what
cause and by whose authority? I was with my command at the surrender.
9. How much can you earn (gross) per annum by your own exertions or labor? About \$25.00
10. What has been your occupation since 1865? Plowing
11. Upon which of the following grounds do you base your application for pension, viz: first, "age and
poverty," second, "infirmity and poverty," or third, "blindness and poverty"? Age infirmity, poverty
12. If upon the first ground, state how long you have been in such condition that you could not earn
your support? If upon the second, give a full and complete history of the infirmity and its extent? If
upon the third, state whether you are totally blind and when and where you lost your sight?
I was wounded in the thigh and head at the Battle of Fort Mifflin near Atlanta
Ga. on the 2nd day of August 1864. Said wounds in leg inflamed and pain in
not wearing, together with injuries from wounds in head, coupled with
my age I am unable to work at my calling sufficient to earn
13. What property, real or personal, or income, do you possess, and its gross value?
I have no property nor income.
14. What property, real or personal, did you possess in 1894, 1895, 1896, 1897, 1898 and 1899, and
what disposition, if any, by sale or gift, have you made of same? I owned no property
of any kind in those years.
15. In what County did you reside during those years, and what property did you then return for taxation?
In Douglas County I returned \$40 property of my wife.
16. How were you supported during the years 1898 and 1899? By the help of my
son in law.
17. How much did your support cost for each of those years, and what portion did you contribute thereto
by your own labor or income? About 60 or 70 Dollars I contributed about \$25.00
18. What was your employment during 1898 and 1899? What pay did you receive for each year?

Every Question Answered

Support for myself

Veteran Publications

- *Confederate Veteran Magazine* (1893-1930)
 - Internet Archive <https://bit.ly/2SH2Aor>
- United Confederate Veteran Association Pamphlets, Reunion Books, Official Programs, and Meeting Minutes
 - Internet Archive and Google Books
- UCVA Archive Collection
 - Louisiana State University - <https://www.lib.lsu.edu/sites/default/files/sc/findaid/1357.pdf>

Veterans and Widows Questionnaires

- *Alabama, U.S., Questionnaires of Widows of Confederate Soldiers, 1927 (Ancestry)*
- *Arkansas Confederate Veterans Questionnaires*
<https://digitalheritage.arkansas.gov/confederate-veterans-questionnaires/>
- *New York, U.S., State Veterans' Questionnaires, 1861-1991 (Ancestry)*
- *Tennessee Civil War Veterans' Questionnaires*
<https://sos.tn.gov/tsla/guides/tennessee-civil-war-veterans-questionnaires>
- *Utah, U.S., Military Records, 1861-1970 (Ancestry)*

Questions?

Thank You!