

Henry Fairfax, Captain

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Birth: 05/04/1804, Ashgrove, Fairfax County

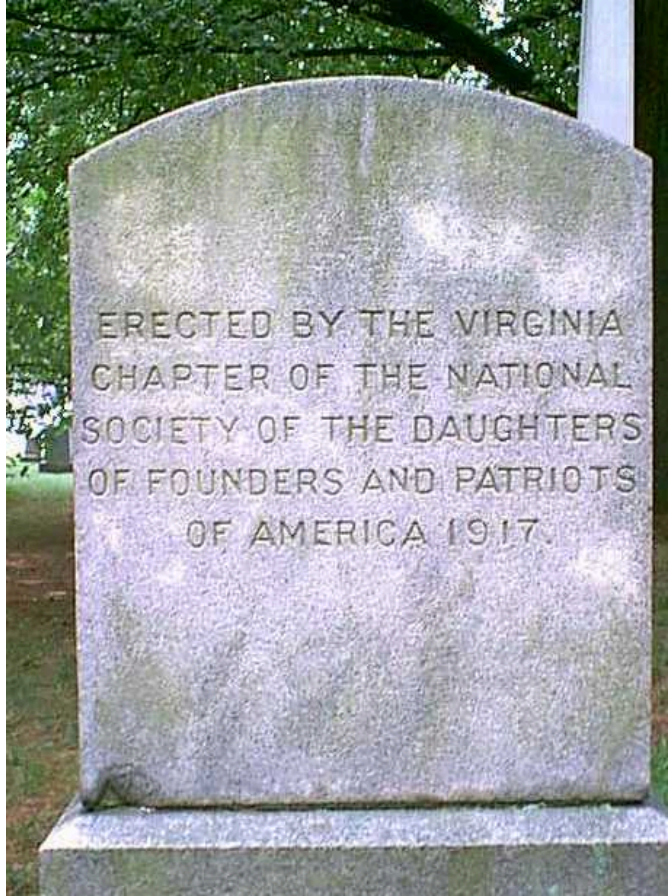
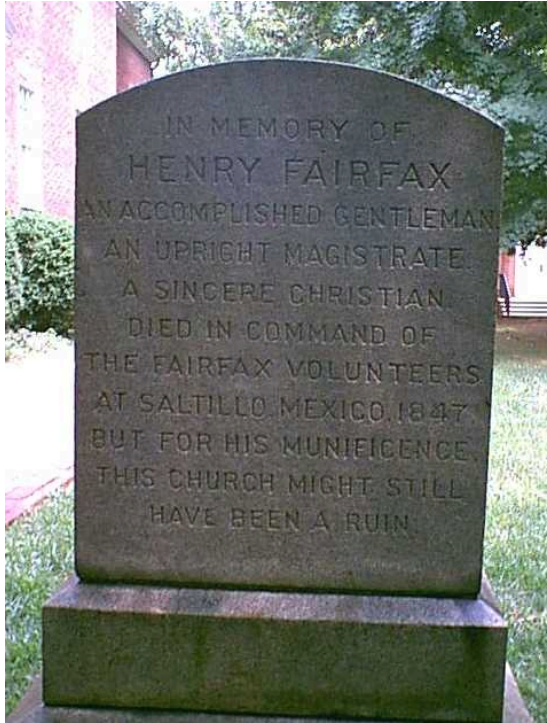
Death: 08/16/1847 in Saltillo, Saltillo Municipality,
Coahuila de Zaragoza, Mexico.

Burial: Falls Church Episcopal Church Cemetery
Falls Church, Falls Church City, Virginia

Plot: N/A

Memorial ID: 19548107

Additional information: Henry Fairfax was the son of Thomas Cary Fairfax, who was the 9th Lord Fairfax and Margaret (Herbert) Fairfax. His house at Ash Grove was built by the Fairfax family. His father, Thomas Fairfax built the original portion of the house in 1790, and the house was lived in by the Fairfax family until 1847. The house is near what is currently Tyson's Corner. He went to the U.S. Naval Academy in West Point, New York from 1824 to 1826. He married Ann Caroline Herbert on October 9th, 1827 in Vansville, Maryland. The 1840 census mentioned that Henry Fairfax owned nine slaves. He enlisted on March 1st, 1847 at the age of 42, and became the Captain of Company L. He died of a fever on August 14th, 1847 in Saltillo, Mexico, but was buried in Falls Church at the Falls Church Episcopal Memorial. His body was relocated to Virginia because on September 23rd, 1847, citizens gathered around the Fairfax County Courthouse and made a motion to have his remains brought back to Virginia from Mexico. He used his own money to restore the original Falls Church around the 1830s and a monument to memorialize this act is at the west end of the south walk. A Civil War correspondent in Harper's Weekly from August 31st, 1861 reported that the inscription on the monument is copied from the text of a lost plaque. He had a son, Herbert Carlyle Fairfax, who served in the Civil War. He enlisted in Company D, 17th Virginia Infantry. He also had seven other kids: Raymond (1808-1901), Eugene (1831-1831), Mary Isabel (1834-1851), Albert (1836-1887), Eugenia Herbert (1842-unknown), Henry (1844-1846), and Henry Malcolm (1847-1928).



Captain James Thrift

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Birth: 1817

Death: 06/02/1862

Burial: Originally Hollywood Cemetery Richmond, Richmond City, Virginia, but moved to Union Township Cemetery, Kalida, Putnam County, Ohio after the Civil War ended.

Plot: N/A

Memorial ID: 93517722 (Original burial record);
75653452 (Kalida, Ohio grave)

Additional Information: James Thrift is the son of James and Sinah Thrift, and brother of Benjamin Franklin Thrift, who also served in the Mexican American War. James Thrift enlisted on March 1st, 1847. Five months later, in August of 1847, he was promoted to Captain due to Henry Fairfax's (the previous captain) death. On October 31st of 1848, Thrift married Lucretia N. Reid in Fairfax County, Virginia. From 1849-1850, James Thrift became a California 49er, which was a group that went to California during the year of 1849 to search for gold. In the 1850 census, his occupation was listed as engineer, he was still married to Lucretia Smith, and they had a daughter, Mary R. Thrift, who was one year old at the time the census was taken. From 1855-1856, Thrift became a member of the Virginia House of Delegates. He later voted for secession on April 23rd, 1861, and then served as a Captain of Company G, 8th Virginia Infantry. On April 26, 1862, James Thrift was promoted to Major in Yorktown, Virginia. A month later, on May 31st, 1862 he was severely wounded at Seven Pines, Virginia, and died four days later in Richmond, Virginia on June 2nd 1862. His grave indicates that he died in 1861, but *Off to War* claims that he was injured in

1862, then died in the same year. It is almost certain that Thrift died in 1862, because his original wound was obtained during the Battle of Seven Pines, which occurred from May 31st to June 1st, 1862. This battle marked the beginning of General Robert E. Lee's commanding of the Confederate Army. Below this text Thrift's obituary from the Richmond Whig on June 9, 1862.

James Heath Dulaney, 1st Lt.

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Birth: 1819, Fairfax County, VA

Death: circa 1858

Burial: Unknown

Plot: N/A

Memorial ID: Unknown

Additional Information: James Heath Dulaney was the son of Benjamin Tasker and Elizabeth (French) Dulaney. He enlisted on March 1st, 1847 at the age of 28. In August 1847, he was promoted to 1st Lieutenant from 2nd Lieutenant. He died around 1858, and William H. Dulaney was appointed as an administrator.

Upton Heath Herbert, 2nd Lt. (pg. 120)

Birth: 06/1820

Death: 04/17/1906


Burial: Ivy Hill Cemetery, Alexandria, Virginia

Plot: Section: G, Lot: 10, Site: 1

Memorial ID: 27535152

Additional Information: Upton Herbert was born in Shuter's Hill, Virginia, which is near the Masonic Temple in Alexandria. His father was William Herbert, and his mother was Henrietta Mark Dulany (29). He was promoted to 2nd Lieutenant from First Sergeant on November 4th, 1847. On February 9th, 1848, he was court-martialed in Buena Vista, Mexico for a multitude of charges. The first charge, cited on January 8th, 1848, was for neglect of duty because he did not follow through with orders to have people charged with misdemeanors to "stand upon the heads of barrels." The second charge was for disobedience of orders. Similar to the other charge, on January 8th, 1848, Herbert refused to force the prisoners to stand on the heads of barrels, and instead let them sit down. To this charge, Herbert pleaded not guilty, but Lieutenant J.B. Whitaker, a witness, explained a different story, and reported seeing Herbert disobeying orders to Colonel Paine, the Governor and Commandment of Saltillo. There was a lot of questioning between Whitaker and the Judge's Advocate, before moving onto questioning Surgeon G.B. Gobb and Captain P. M. Henry. In one recounting of the day's events, Captain P. M. Henry of North Carolina's Regiment said that he heard

that “[Col. Paine] ordered Pvts. Richards and Shells [Sheckles?], I think to stand upon the head of a barrel for one or two hours” and this order was passed along to Herbert. Samuel Sheckles was a private in Company L of Virginia, and there were three Richards’ who served as privates in the war for Company L as well. While their crimes are not listed in *Off to War*, Captain Henry says that they were in trouble for either drunkenness or fighting. The accused in this trial asked questions about why the soldiers were receiving punishment, and pressed for more details about the day’s events, to which the details were fuzzy by most accusers. Sergeant Daniel Poisel eventually came forward and corroborated Herbert’s story, and later it was found that Herbert was not guilty of all charges. In 1850, Herbert resided in Alexandria, Virginia. In 1859, Herbert was appointed Superintendent of Mount Vernon by the Ladies Mount Vernon Association, and remained Superintendent until January, 1869. Colonel J.M. Hollingsworth then succeeded Herbert. This appointment was of significance, as Mount Vernon is George Washington’s old home. In 1860, Herbert’s listed occupations were “Mine Host, Mount Vernon” and farmer. In 1878, Upton Herbert married Sarah Cornelia Tracy, who is from Troy, New York, in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. Sarah Tracy died December 5th, 1897 near Burke Station. Upton Herbert died ten years later on April 17th, 1906 and was buried in Ivy Hill Cemetery. Upton Herbert’s brother, Arthur Hebert, was a co-founder of the Burke and Herbert Bank of Alexandria.

DESIRABLE FARM FOR SALE.—I offer for sale my FARM, containing about **350 ACRES OF LAND**, in Fairfax County, beautifully situated on the line of the Orange & Alexandria Railroad, one mile from Burke's Station, fourteen from Alexandria, and seventeen from Washington.—There are about 150 acres heavily Timbered, (original growth,) immediately on the Railroad, and the remainder well set in Grass, and in a good state of cultivation. The improvements consist of  a COTTAGE RESIDENCE, Stable, a new Granary and Corn-house, and all other necessary out-houses. There is a well of fine water in the yard. The situation is a high and healthy one, commanding an extensive and beautiful view of the surrounding country. For further information, apply to Mr. Marshall, at Burke's Station, who will show the land to any one wanting to purchase, and for terms of sale, apply to Burke & Herbert, Alexandria, Va.

UPTON H. HERBERT.

Fairfax county, Va., sep 14—eotf

Charles Bishop, 1st Sgt.

(pg. 73)

Birth: 1822

Death: Either 05/21/1900 or 9/26/1863

Burial: Likely Arlington National Cemetery, Arlington, VA.

Plot: N/A

Memorial ID: 49122875 or 29735781

Additional Information: Bishop enlisted on March 1st, 1847 at Fairfax Courthouse, Virginia. In 1847, he was promoted to 3rd Sergeant from 4th, then in December of 1847 was promoted to 1st Sergeant from 3rd Sergeant. Beyond this information, little is known about Charles Bishop, but he could be buried in Arlington Cemetery. Two graves could possibly be his, since both have unknown birth years but plausible death years. The first is a Charles Bishop who died on May 21, 1900, buried in section 22, site 16253, with the memorial ID being 49122875. The second grave is of a "Private C.N. Bishop," who died on September 26, 1863, buried in section 13, site 13086, with the memorial ID being 29735781.

James F. Waldon, 2nd Sgt. 299-300)

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Birth: 1804

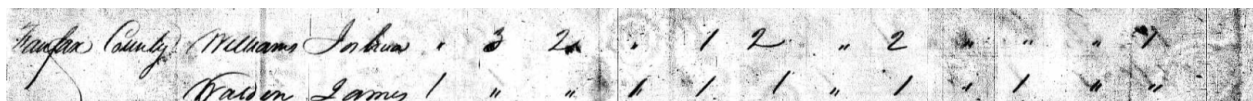
Death: Unknown

Burial: Unknown

Plot: N/A

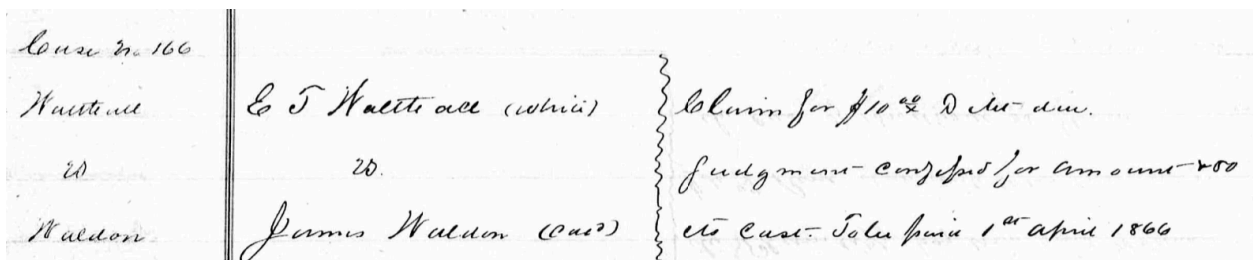
Memorial ID: Unknown

Additional Information: James F. Waldon enlisted on March 1st, 1847 at the age of 43, but became sick in June of 1847. On September 1st, 1847, Waldon was promoted from 1st Corporal to 4th Sergeant, then later 2nd Sergeant. From April 24, 1848 until July of the same year, James Waldon served as Provost Sergeant as ordered by Colonel Hamtramck. James Waldon's whereabouts after the Mexican American War are unknown, but documents point to him possibly being an African American man who could have sought freedom from the Freedmen's Bureau after he served in the war.



Handwritten ledger entry for James F. Waldon. The entry is on a grid and includes the name 'Waldon James' and various numerical values.

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Handwritten court document for James F. Waldon. The document is on a grid and includes the name 'James Waldon' and a date '1st April 1866'.

Benjamin Franklin Thrift, 3rd Sgt. (pg. 291-292)

Birth: 04/25/1827

Death: 04/04/1904

Burial: Possibly Conway Springs, Sumner County,
Kansas (where he died)

Plot: N/A

Memorial ID: Unknown

Additional Information: Benjamin F. Thrift was the son of James and Sinah Thrift, and he was the brother of James H Thrift. He enlisted for the war on March 22nd, 1847 at Fairfax Courthouse, Virginia. After the war, Thrift settled in Putnam County, Ohio, where he received his Bounty Land Warrant and married his first wife, Columbia Caroline Black, in 1852. They had one daughter together named Linda M. Thrift, however, when Columbia died, Linda was adopted by her aunt, Sarah Duvall (Linda was born on 05/10/1857). At the same time, Thrift was living in Minnesota. He enlisted for the Civil war as a Private into the Artillery, 43rd Battalion, Virginia Cavalry, which was also known as Mosby's Rangers. On March 29th, 1873, Benjamin Thrift married Mary A. Eckley in Hartsburg, Ohio. He went on to become a member of the Washington Camp's United Confederate Veterans, and lived briefly in Ozark, Webster County, Missouri; Kalida and Hartsburg in Putnam County, Ohio; Buffalo (possibly Buffalo, Ohio); Wright County, Missouri. A year before marrying Eckley, Thrift moved to Marshfield in Webster County, Ohio. According to *Off to War*, Thrift's pension "contains

the affidavit of a niece 'on wifes side,' Rosa Vail, wife of J.P. Vail, of Lima, Allen Co. OH." In 1898, Benjamin Thrift lived in Marshfield, Ohio, and then in 1900, lived in Ozark, Ohio, again, where his occupation was listed as farmer and had no children. He died in Conway Springs, Sumner County, Kansas on April 4th, 1904 of "general debility from old age, enlarged liver and obstruction of billery [sic] duct."

MISS LINDA THRIFT DUVALL.

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Born in Kalida, Ohio.

Descendant of James Ball.

Daughter of Benjamin Franklin Thrift (1827-1906) and Columbia Caroline Black (1836-61), his wife, m. 1813.

Granddaughter of James Thrift (d. 1840) and Sinah Ball, his wife, m. 1813.

Gr-granddaughter of James Ball and Winifred —, his wife.

James Ball (1755-1800) served, 1777, as a private in Capt. William Vance's company, 12th Virginia regiment, under Col. James Wood.

He was born in Fairfax County, Va.

Also No. 63741.

Abdon Lee Burke, 4th Sgt.

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Birth: 11/19/1824, Loudoun County, VA

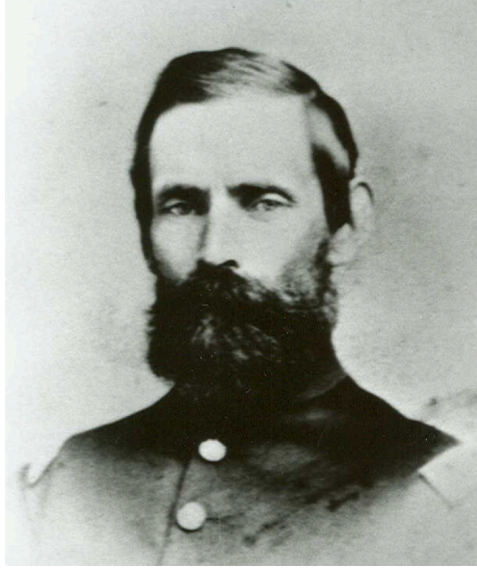
Death: 06/09/1914

Burial: Arapahoe Cemetery, Furnas County, Nebraska

Plot: Block 70 Lot 8 Sp 1

Memorial ID: 232251299

Additional Information: Abdon Lee Burke served in both the Mexican American War and the Civil War. He was the son of William Burke and an unnamed mother. Burke enlisted as a private at Fairfax Courthouse on 03/02/1847, and was later promoted to 3rd Cpl. He was given a 160 acre Bounty Land Warrant in 1847 and later married Anna Eliza Shrader on 07/12/1855 in Grant, Wisconsin. Later, he would join the United States Colored Troops as a 1st Lieutenant in Company H, 3rd Wisconsin Infantry. After serving in the Union army, Burke settled in Nebraska.



Augustus Davis, 1st Cpl.

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Birth: 02/13/1825 (Listed as 1828 in *Off to War*, but records indicate 1825)

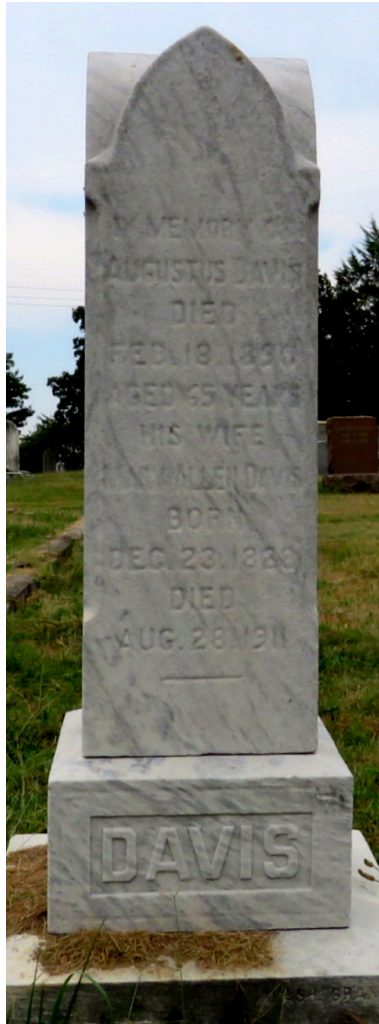
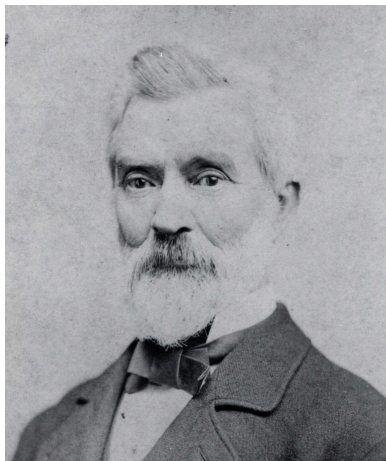
Death: 02/18/1890

Burial: Glenwood Cemetery, Washington, D.C.

Plot: Section D, Lot 15, Site 4

Memorial ID: 143377537

Additional Information: Augustus Davis was enlisted on March 1st, 1847 from Fairfax Courthouse, Virginia at the age of 19. He was promoted to 3rd Corporal from Private on September 1st, 1847. At some point later, he was promoted to first corporal, but no date is listed. On September 29th, 1850, Augustus Davis married Mary Stanley in Washington D.C., residing there from 1863-1890 where his primary occupation was bricklayer. He was listed as a builder, though, in 1874. Davis died on February 18th, 1890 at the age of 65 from acute enteritis. His obituary is short, simply stating “At 11:45am February 18th, 1890, Augustus Davis, beloved husband of Mary A. Davis, aged sixty-five years and five days. Funeral from his late residence, 1106 6th street northwest, Thursday at 2:30 p.m. Friends invited to attend. No flowers.” (Evening Star, February 19th, 1890, page 5 (image 5 on the Library of Congress), unknown volume).



DAVIS. At 11:45 a. m. February 18, 1890, **AUGUSTUS DAVIS**, beloved husband of **Mary A. Davis**, aged sixty-five years and five days.

Funeral from his late residence, 1106 6th street northwest, Thursday at 2:30 p. m. Friends invited to attend. No flowers.

George W White, 2nd Cpl. (pg. 307)

Birth: 1827

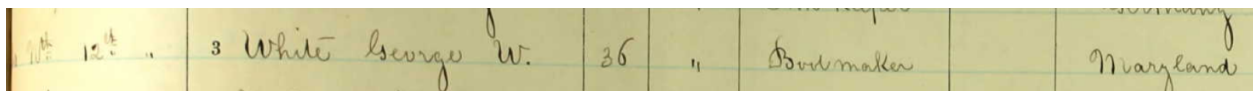
Death: Unknown

Burial: Unknown

Plot: N/A

Memorial ID: Unknown

Extra information: George White enlisted on April 3rd, 1847 at the age of 20 in Cumberland, Maryland. On November 4th, 1847 he was promoted to 4th Corporal from private. A George W. White born in the same year was listed as serving in the Civil War from Pennsylvania, with his occupation listed as being “bootmaker,” and it details that he is originally from Maryland. However, burial information and other extra information is difficult to find, given that this listed George W. White has no definitive birthday, and no family listed. There are at least two George W. Whites buried at Mount Olivet cemetery in Baltimore, Maryland, and one George White buried in Iowa, but born in Maryland. This particular George White served in Company I(?), Third Regiment, Missouri Volunteer Infantry, and was discharged June 16th, 1866 in Baton Rouge, Louisiana. There is further information on his obituary, but without any identifying information on the aforementioned George W. White, it is unknown if these two are the same person.



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Department of Iowa
Grand Army of the Republic

Veteran's name White, George

War Civil

Residence

Battles, etc.

Occupation

Nearest relatives

Date birth 4 F '27 Place Baltimore, Md

Father

Nativity

Date death Mar 5, 1911 Place Colesburg, Iowa

Number

Nativity

Cause Mt. Harmony Cem Place burial Elk Twp., Clay Co, Iowa

1 Frances Palmer

War record Capt. I 3 No. Inf.

2 Mary Ridenour

Rank Company Regiment State Organization

Children

Age 37 Res. Dubuque

Alice Roberts

Enlisted 24 Oct '61 as 3d Corp

Martha Long

From. 2d Corp 1 F '62
Place
Prom. 5th Sgt. 1 Mr 1862

Peter

Discharged

Date

Place

Source: Dubuque Tel Herald Mar 17, 1911
Ex-Soldiers Living Iowa 1886: Capt. Co I -
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White, George. vol. VI. p. 65.

John L. Moore, 3rd Cpl.

(pg. 225)

Birth: 1827

Death: 07/11/1879

Burial: Congressional Cemetery, Washington, District of Columbia, District of Columbia

Plot: 77 - 188

Memorial ID: 49423476

Extra information: John L. Moore's parents were William H. Moore and Mary A. Blackburn. He enlisted for the Mexican American War at the age of 20 on March 1st, 1847. On July 2nd, 1853, Moore married Elvira Finch in Washington, D.C. John Moore's occupation was listed as farmer in the 1860 census, he had a son named Lewis E. who was five years old in 1860, and a daughter who is only identified by the initials "S.E," who was one month old in 1860. In the 1870 census, however, a daughter is mentioned, and identified as Lillian E., as well as two sons: Lewis E. (15 years old in 1870), and Millard J. (9 years old in 1870). On April 23rd, 1861, John L. Moore voted against secession at "Lyedekkers", a general store located in Vienna, Virginia. Moore died on July 11, 1879 due to "paralysis."



MOORE

JOHN L. MOORE

1827 — 1879

ELVIRA FINCH MOORE

1826 — 1902

THEIR SON

LEWIS E. MOORE

1855 — 1873

Thomas Moore, 2nd Lt.

(pg. 225-226)

Birth: 07/08/1819

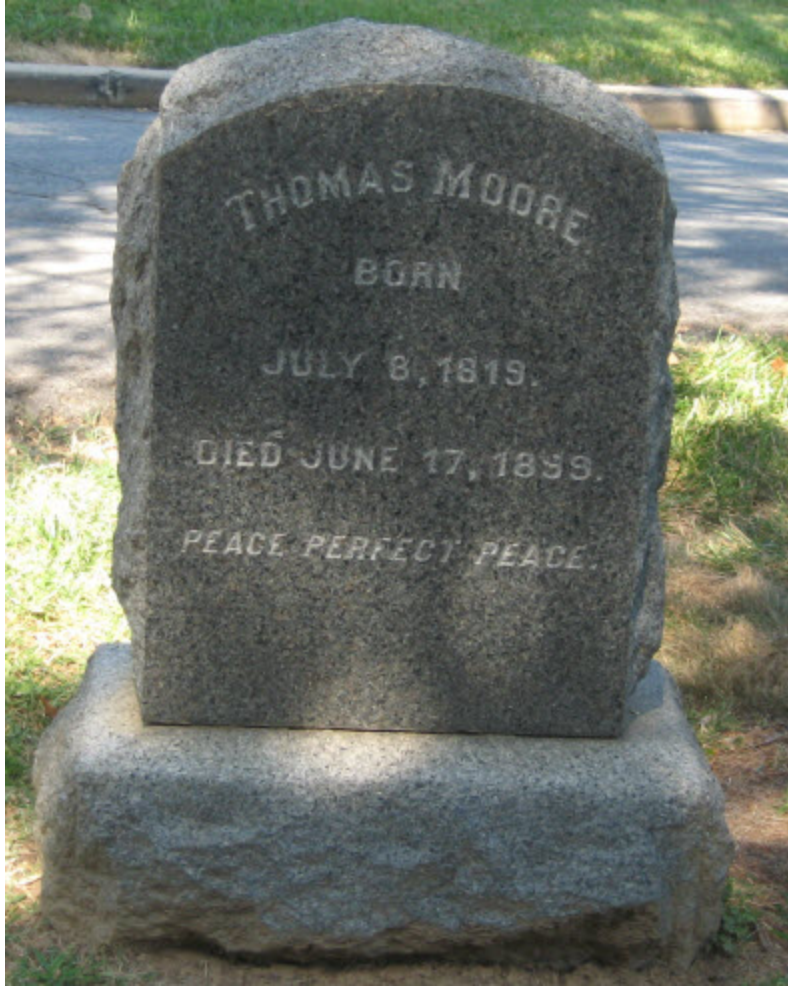
Death: 06/17/1899 in Fairfax County

Burial: Fairfax City Cemetery, Fairfax, Virginia.

Plot: N/A

Memorial ID: 29313816

Additional Information: Thomas Moore was the son of Ammishshaddai and Susan (Lindsey) Moore. He enlisted on March 1st, 1847 at the Fairfax Courthouse. He was absent from June 1847 until December 1847 on detached service in the Quartermaster Department. On January 17th, 1848, Moore was promoted to 2nd Lieutenant from Sergeant. In the 1850 census, Moore's occupation was listed as "teacher," and he was married to Priscilla Haviland, though their marriage date is unknown. Later, Thomas Moore served in the Civil War as Captain of the Quartermaster Department of the Army Headquarters. He later married Hannah Morris Moore on May 5th, 1858 in Otsego County, New York. By age 40 in 1860, Thomas Moore became an attorney. According to the user who uploaded Thomas Moore's grave on Findagrave (who is not mentioned on the website), "While continuing his legal practice, Thomas Moore also served as the first Superintendent of the Fairfax County Public Schools beginning in 1870." On June 17th, 1899, he died and was buried in Fairfax City Cemetery in Fairfax, Virginia. Additionally, Thomas Moore was the grandson of Jeremiah and Lydia Reno Moore, with Jeremiah being one of the first Baptist preachers in America. He lived from 1746 until 1815.



Death of Mr. Thomas Moore.
Mr. Thomas Moore, father of Mr. R. Walton Moore, and a prominent citizen, died this morning at 10 o'clock at his home in Fairfax Court House, Va. The deceased was about seventy-five years of age. The funeral will take place tomorrow afternoon at 4 o'clock.

(From his Findagrave profile)

James Day, 4th Cpl.

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Birth: 1825

Death: Unknown

Burial: Unknown

Plot: N/A

Memorial ID: Unknown

Extra information: James Day enlisted into the war on March 16th, 1847 in Alexandria, Virginia, at the age of 22. He later went on to enlist in the Civil War on April 17th, 1861 as a Private in Company E, 17th Virginia Infantry. At that time, his occupation was listed as blacksmith, and from 1861 to 1862 he worked as a Blacksmith in Manassas, Virginia. From 1862 to 1864, he detached to the Quartermaster Department, then deserted in 1864. By 1880, he was recorded as dead in Lynchburg, Virginia. However, there is an obituary from the Appomattox and Buckingham Times from April 15th, 1903 (Volume 11, page 1), which lists a James Day born in 1825 dying of “dropsy” on April 12th, 1903. The timing and location (Lynchburg) in which this death took place makes it likely that this James Day is the same one as the James Day who served in the Mexican American War, but the documents that state he was found dead in 1880 are nowhere to be found.

LATER.

On Sunday night, April 12th, at one o'clock, Mr. James Day departed this life, being sick for quite a while with dropsy. He was about 78 years of age, having lived more than his three-score and ten. He had for a long time been a consistent member of Union Baptist church, having joined when young. He was a devoted husband and a kind and loving father, a good neighbor, and held in high esteem by all who knew him. He was a Confederate soldier, always at his post of duty. He leaves four children, three daughters and one son, and a host of grandchildren and other relatives to mourn his loss. His wife preceded him to the grave several years ago. His remains were interred in the family burying ground. May he rest in peace.

Source: Alexandria gazette. [volume], November 13, 1847, Image 4

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