

S. A. Claywell

Personal information

Name: Solomon Augustus ("S. A.") Claywell

Birth: 01 January 1838
Iredell County, North Carolina

Family: Parents: William A. Claywell and Louisa Graham Claywell
Spouse: Nancy Warder Lacy
Children: Bessie C. Claywell; Howard Claywell

Claywell grew up in North Carolina, living with his parents and 4 siblings. After the Civil War, he moved to Texas by 1880 and began appearing on the Tax Rolls in 1884. He and his family lived on Congress Street in Denton, Denton County, Texas.

Death: 09 January 1905
Denton, Denton County, Texas

Cemetery: Oakwood Cemetery, Denton, Denton County, Texas; Block: 9-3
(GPS: 33° 12' 41" N 97° 7' 19" W)



The Battle at Antietam -- The Bloodiest Day in American History
(Source: <https://www.nps.gov/anti/index.htm>)

Military Service

Military Branch: Army, Confederate

Dates: Enlisted 07 June 1861
Statesville, Iredell County, North Carolina

Muster 07 June 1861
Iredell County, North Carolina

Rank at Discharge: Second Lieutenant

Enlisted as a Private
Rank change to Corporal
13 March 1863, rank change to Sergeant
03 August 1863, commissioned as Second Lieutenant

Era/Service: Civil War

Assignments: Company C, 4th Regiment, North Carolina Infantry, CSA

Imprisoned 02 April 1865, Petersburg, Virginia
Confined 04 May 1865, Old Capitol Prison, Washington, DC
Transferred 09 April 1865, Johnson's Island, Ohio

Veteran took the Oath of Allegiance 18 June 1865, Johnson's Island, Ohio

Claywell was one of the "Saltillo Boys," a company organized in Statesville, North Carolina, at the outbreak of the war. The unit they joined, the 4th North Carolina Regiment, was one of the most active of the Civil War. By the end of the war, the men were battle-worn and fatigued from having marched over 7 states and engaged in battle 140 days, yet in the words of their Captain, they "conducted themselves most admirably." Their encounters included Richmond, Virginia, where he lost his older brother, as well as the bloodiest battle of the war at Antietam. [A record of the 4th North Carolina Infantry is included at the end of this profile.]

Civilian Life

Education: Literate

Occupation: Carpenter

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Civil War: Camp Life, 1861

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