

## Constantine Walker Files

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### Background Information

CONSTANTINE P. WALKER was born ca. 1837 in Smith County, TN. He was the son of George W. Walker (1799-1864) and his first wife, Elizabeth H. Brown. She was born ca. 1804 in Virginia, daughter of Valentine Brown. Elizabeth died ca. 1850 in Smith County. George W. Walker remarried on Oct. 13, 1851 to Mildred Anderson Johnson. The George W. Walker family left Smith County in 1855 and settled in Henry County near Buchanan on Blood river. George and Elizabeth were the parents of nine children: Warren, Will C., Lucy, Sarah, Amanda, Elizabeth Hannah, Beverly B., Constantine P. and George W. Walker, Jr.

Constantine or Con Walker moved to Henry County with his father in 1855. He enlisted on May 20, 1861 in Co., K, 5th Regt., TN Inf. He was first sent to Humboldt and Union City. Stationed at Camp Brown, he was then sent to Columbus, KY and participated in the Battle of Belmont where he remained until Jan. 1, 1862. Then it was on to New Madrid, MO where there was skirmishing and artillery fire for 13 days. From there he went to Ft. Pillow and Memphis and then arrived in Corinth, MS on March 25, 1862. Con Waked was paid \$11 per month pay. He was ill during the time of the Battle of Shiloh and so did not participate in that battle.

After Shiloh, on May 6, the regiment was reorganized. Co. K became the 2nd Co. D. Con Walker was elected commissary sergeant. They marched to Tupelo, then went by rail to Mobile, and finally to Chattanooga to go with Bragg's expedition into Kentucky. Con Walker participated in the Battle of Perryville, the Battle of Chickamauga and the Battle of Mission Ridge. From June 3, to June 13, 1864, Con was hospitalized with acute dysentery at Ocmulgee Hospital, Macon, GA. He was in the campaign from Dalton to Atlanta and Jonesboro, GA.

Con P. Walker took part in the last great campaign of the Civil War, the campaign for Nashville under the command of Gen. John Bell Hood. He was in the Battle of Franklin on Nov. 13, 1864. On December 16 Con was captured at the Battle of Nashville. He, along with the others captured, was forced to march barefooted although it was extremely cold and wet. Con P. Walker contracted consumption and was never well after his experience as a prisoner of war. He was sent to a military prison in Louisville where he arrived on Jan. 2, 1865. From there he was sent to Camp Chase, OH where he stayed until February 17 when he was paroled. On May 21 Con P. Walker finally arrived back home to Henry County.

Con P. Walker was married on Oct, 18, 1866 to Lula E. Puckett. He never recovered from his consumption and as his health continued to deteriorate, he wrote his will on

March 3, 1868. In his will he mentions his wife Louisa who was to get all his estate unless she were to give birth to their mutual heir. He was dead by April 1868 and it is not known if his wife had a child or not.

Daughters of the Confederacy Application

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To the Officers and Members of United Daughters of the Confederacy, No. 535

Located at Paris County of Henry State of Tennessee

I, the undersigned, would respectfully petition to become a member of the United Daughters of the Confederacy, Tenn. Division. And, if accepted, do hereby promise a strict compliance with the laws and usages of this organization.

I was born on the 24 day of July 1882, County Henry State Tennessee Country U.S.A. I am the neice [sic] of Constantine Walker who belonged to Company "K", Fifth Tennessee Regiment, and he was [killed, paroled or crossed out] discharged on [crossed out] at the close of the war. Arrived home May 21 – 1865. Present address Paris County of Henry State of Tennessee

Remarks explaining any above Constantine Walker enlisted in Paris May 20th, 1861 – He was Commissary Sargeant [sic] at Reorganization and was captured at Nashville Dec. 16th, 1864. he was carried to camp Chase among others captured and there remained until the close of the war. He contracted consumption and died shortly after coming home.

Signed Pearl Sanders Rotori.

Recommended by Mrs. Rassio Haskins White

Lucy R. Russell

We, the Committee on Credential, find the above applicant P.S. Rotori worthy of membership.

Mrs. Alexander B. White

Mrs. [illegible initials] Hunter

Mrs. J.P. Cooper

Georgia Doty

Lucy R. Russell

Committee.

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I was born on the 24 day of June 1852 County Smith State Tennessee Country U.S.A. I am the sister Con Walker who belonged to Company K Fifth Regiment Tenn. Infantry Regiment, and he [was killed, paroled or discharged crossed out] served through the war Present address Paris County of Henry State of Tennessee

Remarks explaining any above Enlisted May 20, 1861 appointed Commissary sargeant [sic] May 1862. captured at Nashville erved through the war.

Signed Henrie M. Sanders.

Recommended by Mrs. A.E. Risou

Georgia Doty

We, the Committee on Credential, find the above applicant Mrs. Henrietta Sanders worthy of membership.

Mrs. A.E. Risou

Mrs. S.C. Dobbins

Georgia Doty

Clyde [illegible]

Committee.

Fifth Tenn. Regt. Chapter

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