

The following information was sent to us by David G. Smith of Marietta, Georgia. He is working on a book about the Smith Cemetery (located between 100 S and 200 S on 000 - Tile Mill Road - in Adams County) which he plans to publish. He is still busy with the research and hopes that some of you readers might be able to help. He would be happy to hear from you at the following address: 4032 Columns Drive, Marietta, GA 30067-5100.

MILITARY SERVICE

Smith Cemetery
Monroe Township
Adams County, Indiana

The following is a brief summary of the 13 individuals, buried in the Smith Cemetery, who served their country during the War of 1812 and during the Civil War.



The War of 1812

L. Leasure - This is possibly Elisha Lasure who was born in Maryland in 1775. He is shown in the 1850 census for Adams County and several of his children are buried here.

??endes - Could this be the Russell P. Enos who is noted as having served in the War with Mexico, 1845-1848? His tombstone is not legible, but appears to be "enoes" or "endes."



The Civil War



JOHN H. SMITH, g-g-grandfather of the author, was born in Harrison County, Ohio. He married Leyah Smith in Tuscarawas County, Ohio. He brought his family to Adams County about 1855. At age 41, he enlisted as a private in Company H, 89th Indiana Infantry, on August 12, 1862, and was mustered out on July 19, 1865. He died in Berne in 1891.

ROBERT ENSLEY SMITH SR., John's brother, was born in Harrison County, Ohio, and came to Adams County about 1847. He was married to Susannah Laisure. In January 1865, at age 34, he enlisted at Wabash, Indiana, as a private in Company F, 147th Indiana Infantry. In April he was promoted to Corporal. He was discharged on August 4, 1865. He was a pensioner under certificate No. 460 294. He died in Adams County in 1899.

ROBERT ENSLEY SMITH JR., John's nephew (son of his sister Rebecca Smith) was born in Harrison County, Ohio. He also came to Adams County in about 1847. He was married to Idella T. Miller. At age 19, he enlisted at Decatur as a private in Company F, 147th Indiana Infantry, on January 23, 1865. He was mustered out as a Sergeant on August 4, 1865. He died in Adams County in 1912.

FRANKLIN MARION ELZEY; born August 1, 1840, and died in Adams County on June 27, 1922. He served in Co. M, 2nd Ohio Cavalry. His parents have yet to be identified.

JOHN C. EVERHART; born in Ohio (probably Harrison County) in 1839. He married Martha Ann Jacobs, daughter of Kelita and Saline Jacobs. He enlisted as a Private at Decatur on August 16, 1862, in Company K, 89th Indiana Volunteers. He was discharged at Mobile, Alabama, on July 19, 1865. He was a pensioner under certificate No. 210 377. During the war he contracted typhoid fever which resulted in asthma and while on the Bank's Expedition up the Red River he became ruptured on the left side from hard marching. He died from his disabilities on January 4, 1879.

GEORGE W. HAHN; Born in 1824, George first married Mary Elizabeth Swigert. At the beginning of the Civil War, he enlisted along with his good friend and neighbor John Baker. The two made a pact, agreeing that if either should die during the war, the other would care for the widow and children. John

and her two children. George's wife, Elizabeth then died and George married Margaret. He died on January 9, 1909. All three are buried in the Smith Cemetery.

G. HAMMON enlisted in Company C, 11th Indiana Volunteer Cavalry.

WILLIAM HENDRICKS was born Harrison County, Ohio, in 1835. He married Mary A. Ray. He enlisted as a private in Company F, 147th Indiana Infantry on March 1, 1865, and was mustered out on August 17, 1865. He died in Adams County in 1901.

MOSES LOUTHAN was born in 1817. He married Mary Nicholas. He enlisted as a private in Company G, 13th Indiana Volunteer Cavalry, on February 10, 1864. Soon after his enlistment he was promoted to Sergeant. He was mustered out on September 6, 1865. He died in Adams County in 1890.

ABSALOM MCCURDY enlisted at age 20, as a Private, on February 23, 1865, at Wabash, IN, in Company F, 147th Regiment of Indiana Volunteers. Suffering from measles and lung disorders, he was discharged at the hospital at Harpers Ferry, Virginia, on August 8, 1865. He married Evaline McClung on September 19, 1865. He was a pensioner under certificate No. 210 982. He married Rebecca Jane Urlick on January 22, 1880. He died on June 11, 1880, from pneumonia, which was the result of the measles he had contracted while serving in the Army.

ELI M. RAY was born in Harrison County, Ohio, on September 22, 1842. He married Ellen Everhart. At the age of 20, he enlisted as a private in Company H, 89th Indiana Infantry, on August 9, 1862, and was mustered out on July 19, 1865. He was a pensioner under certificate No. 200 210, being considered totally disabled as a result of the extent of his deteriorated eyesight and his chronic diarrhea. He died in Adams County in 1919.

