

Arkansas Division Sons of Confederate Veterans Confederate Memorial Service

Honoring



Looking for a friend

Col. Joel Gilmore Wood

Colonel 55th Arkansas Militia
Capt. 8th Arkansas Inf. & Capt. Davies Cavalry

October 5, 2003 * 2:30 p.m.

Pine Log Cemetery



Brookland, Arkansas





GEN. STERLING "OLD PAP" PRICE

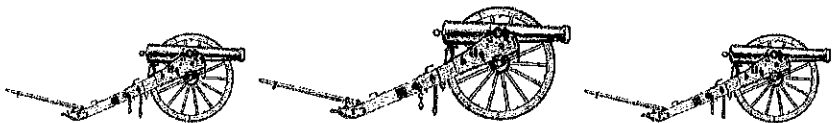
Born: September 20 1809, Prince Edward Cty VA

Died: September 29 1867, St Louis MO

Pre-War Occupation: Farmer, Mexican War, politician, US congressman, governor, commander of Missouri state troops.

War Involvement: 1861 commanded Missouri troops at Wilson's Creek, Elkhorn Tavern, March 1862 Maj. Gen. in Confederate Provisional army, Iuka, Corinth (October 1862), Helena, helped repulse Camden expedition, Price's Missouri raid.

Post-War Occupation: Went to Mexico, returned to US in 1866.



Duty is the sublimest word in our language. Do your duty in all things...You can not do more—you should never wish to do less.

Gen. Robert E. Lee, C.S.A



General Patrick R. Cleburne

"Surrender means that the history of this heroic struggle will be written by the enemy; that our youth will be trained by Northern school teachers; will learn from Northern school books their version of the War; will be impressed by all the influences of history and education to regard our gallant dead as traitors, and our maimed veterans as fit subjects for derision." General Pat Cleburne, CSA



Dixie

I wish I was in the land of cotton,
Old times there are not forgotten,
Look away! Look away! Look away! Dixie Land.
In Dixie Land where I was I was born in,
Early on one frosty mornin'
Look away! Look away! Look away! Dixie Land.
The I wish I was in Dixie, Hooray! Hooray!
In Dixie Land I'll take my stand
To live and die in Dixie,
Away, Away, Away down south in Dixie,
Away, Away, Away down south in Dixie,

--- Daniel Decatur Emmett

Col. Joel Gilmore Wood

The honored Confederate Soldier is Col. Joel Gilmore Wood; 55th Arkansas Militia; Captain, 8th Arkansas Infantry, and Capt. Davies' Cavalry; Confederate States of America.

Colonel Wood was born, October 07, 1829, to William Hampton and Frances M. "Elmira" (*Lane*) Wood, in Georgia. He was one of seven children. He died on November 16, 1882, Jonesboro, Arkansas. He is buried in the Pine Log Cemetery north of Brookland.

Joel married Maria Evans, in 1854 in Alabama; They came to Jonesboro in 1856; bought 60 acres ½ mile South of Jonesboro. Wood Street in Jonesboro was named after him.

He was listed in Craighead county 1860 census with wife Maria; occupation farmer. Joel was also a butcher, and did some freighting from Wittsburg; bought more land in Craighead county in 1859. Wood also owned a store that was located on his property south of Jonesboro.

Joel Gilmore Wood—was Colonel of the 55th Arkansas Militia at the start of the War Between the States. Here is an article that ran in the Weekly New a Jonesboro Newspaper:

NOTICE

*HEAD-QUARTERS, 55TH REGIMENT ARK.
MILITIA, JAN 25TH 1862*

In Obedience to the militia law of the State of Arkansas, I, Joel G. Wood, Colonel commandant of the fifty-fifth regiment of Arkansas militia, do here by give notice, and require that on election be held at the usual places of voting, in each township in Craighead county, on the second Saturday in February next, for the selection of one Major for the said fifty-fifth regiment; one captain, one first and one second lieutenant, three sergeants and four corporals for each company -- each township to compose a company. The judges of the said election to be the same as heretofore appointed by the county court, and said election to be conducted in all respects as general elections are, expect that the judges of said elections shall certify the poll books to me.

JOEL G. WOOD,

Colonel commandant 55th regiment Arkansas militia

He enlisted in Confederate Army in Craighead County, March 11, 1862; 8th Arkansas Infantry, C.S.A. and was elected captain; His unit was active at Iuka, Farmington, and Corinth, then was

assigned to Beall's Brigade, Department of Mississippi and East Louisiana. On July 9, 1863, it was captured in the fight at Port Hudson. He was paroled on July 10, 1863.

He returned to Jonesboro and then enlisted in Co. A, 7th Arkansas Davies Cavalry Battalion; appointed captain; in 1864 Captains Park Wilcockson, John McHenry and H.W. Glasscock, each raised a company of cavalry in Greene County for Maj. J. F. Davies' battalion of Col. Kitchens' regiment. Col. Solomon Kitchens' regiment was based out of Kennett, Mo. Lt Col J.F.Davies, according to the Official Record was in command of the 7th MO Cav and Davies' Bn. He filed his report of the units activities during Price's Raid into MO 12 Dec 1864. (Page 695, OR) They were engaged in skirmishes at the following places in MO: Old Jackson, Union, Hermann, Jefferson City, New California, Boonville, Glasgow, Lexington, Little Blue, Independence, Big Blue. At the time the report was written, the unit was in camp on the Red River at Cressville, TX.

Four of his brothers fought with the 8th Arkansas Infantry they were Sgt. Green Wood, Sgt. William H. Wood, Pvt. Benjamin Franklin Wood, and Lt. James A. Wood.

Capt. Wood was paroled at Wittsburg, Arkansas, May 25, 1865. Wood served as sheriff of Craighead County 1866-68.

Joel and Maria had 12 children: Elizabeth Cox, Mary married Lewis Thornton, Joel G. married and removed to Conway county, Albert Pike married Laura Rackley, William P., Sterling, and Dora Lee. Josephine and three infants died. All were born in Arkansas.

His widow M. T. Wood filed Arkansas pension application #3838 from Craighead county, August 15, 1901 on his Confederate Military service.

Jack Wood of Gainesville, Florida and Stan McDaniel of Gainesville, Georgia helped arrange for the placement of the marker. There will be several other relatives attending the service. The service will immediately follow the Wood Family reunion that will be held at the Huntington Building, in Jonesboro.

The Arkansas Division, SCV; MOSB, Wiggin's Battery, 7th Arkansas, and the 30th Arkansas re-enactors are honored to pay respect to Joel Gilmore Wood who fought for the Cause of the Confederacy.

"Whose to Blame"

Some wore the Gray and some wore the Blue.

Many were Kin and a lot good Friends.

Their Lives they would lay down
for their beliefs in land of freedom.

A short WAR to be and a quick trip home did not come to be.

Many were Kin and a lot good Friends.

The years Rolled slowly by and the death toll
continually grew with no end in sight.

The Battles made no difference the outcome was the same.

More dead soldiers now "Whose to Blame".

In the Four long years many a soldier
would fall to saber, mini ball, and cannon bombardment.

Sadly all would be American men.

Union sovereignty or Southern rights
both side choose for themselves.

Because they were all Americans with a dream
and a better Life for one and all.

Now, Who do You Blame.

Hora, Hora for Southern Rights Hora.

By: Phillip J. "Gabby" Cathright, 1997
(1951-1998)



Confederate Southern Iron Cross Dedication

Welcome W. Danny Honnoll
Commander Arkansas Division, 260, 18781
Invocation Terry Lee Bandy
English Shaver Camp
Reflections W. Ed. Dudley
Northern Brigade Commander
Memorial Service W. Danny Honnoll
Commander Arkansas Division, 260, 18781

Laying of the Rose

Three Volley Gun Salute

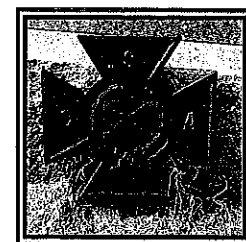
Wiggins Battery, 7th Ark Inf, & 30th Ark Infantry Living Historians



Amazing Grace

Taps

Dixie



Honor Guard Sgt. Doyle Yearta & Adj. M. Ray Jones
Presentation of Confederate Flag W. Danny Honnoll
Who Are You and Who Do You Represent??
Comments Wood Family Jack Wood
Parting Words W. Danny Honnoll
Benediction Terry Bandy

Dixie

Sponsoring Camps & Chapter

Col. Robert G. Shaver Camp #655 - Jonesboro, Arkansas

Plut. Job S. Neill Camp #286 - Batesville, Arkansas

Gen. William Miller #111 - Batesville, Florida

27th Georgia Regiment #1404 - Gainesville, Georgia

Gen. James H. Fagan Chapter #2811 MGSW - Jonesboro, Arkansas



"A people who takes no pride in the noble achievements of remote ancestors will never achieve anything worthy to be remembered with pride of remote descendants." Lord Macaulay

Program Donated by: W. Danny Honnoll

Gen. Stephen D. Lee's Charge

"To you, Sons of Confederate Veterans, we submit the *Vindication of the Cause* for which we fought. To your strength will be given the defense of the Confederate soldier's good name, the guardianship of his history, the emulation of his virtues, the perpetuation of those principles he loved and which made him glorious and which you also cherished. Remember it is your duty to see that the true history of the South is presented to future generations.



Arkansas Division, ATAA, SCU



Officers 2003



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| W. Danny Honnoll | Commander |
| Don Duke | 1st Lt. Commander |
| Jackie McGehee | 2nd Lt. Commander |
| M. Ray Jones | Adjutant |
| William W. Ferguson | Chaplain |
| Terry Lee Bandy | Color Sgt./Qtr Master |
| W. Ed Dudley | Northern Brigade Commander |
| Maurice Amason | Southern Brigade Commander |