

SUPPLEMENTAL MEMBERSHIPS

Many members of the Sons of Confederate Veterans (SCV) have more than one ancestor whose military service would be qualifying for membership. The SCV membership application requires prospective members to choose one ancestor under whom to join the organization, and this ancestor's name, rank, unit and relationship to the SCV member is included on the membership certificate. The ancestor's name, rank and unit are also included in the membership database.

Many of our SCV compatriots have found multiple ancestors, both lineal (Great Grandfather) and collateral (Great Uncle or Cousin), who were Confederate soldiers. There is no formal procedure to register these additional ancestors with the SCV General Headquarters (GHQ) nor are they entered into the SCV member database which is formatted to show only the ancestor under whom a member joined and that ancestor's unit information.

Members may order supplemental ancestor certificates for \$35.00 including shipping/handling for a 8.5 X 11. An 11 X 14 is \$20.00. A member requests a supplemental ancestor certificate by completing a regular membership application and marking the word Supplemental at the top of the sheet. Local camp officers must sign the application to approve it, which attests to kinship and honorable service for the CSA veteran. Camp 584 member's at large sending requests for supplemental straight to GHQ should provide proof of honorable service and a simple family tree showing kinship to the CSA veteran.

These supplemental memberships are prepared on 8.5 X 11 certificates unless the member specifically requests the 11 X 14 larger certificates when the order is placed.

The SCV has also published a Membership Directory in 2001, 2006, and 2010. Members have been able to list their supplemental ancestors in the two most recent editions; although, there is a limit to the number which may be listed due to space limitations. The directory has another section that lists Confederate soldiers in alphabetical order under which are listed the names of SCV members who are related to the soldier. This directory is very useful to establishing kinship with other members, but is incomplete because not every member buys a directory or consents to having his name and those of his ancestors in the directory.

Any questions should be directed to SCV General Headquarters.