

# Searching for Your Civil War Ancestors

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- **New York-specific Resources**

- For finding individual soldiers:
  - New York State Military Museum:  
<http://dmna.state.ny.us/historic/reghist/civil/rosters/rosters.htm>
  - Town Clerks' Register of Men Who Served in the Civil War, New York Archives at Ancestry.com, free at many Monroe County libraries with card, at Family History Centers, OWWL libraries. Includes father's name and mother's maiden name.
  - New York State Adjutant General's Office, *Register of New York Regiments in the War of the Rebellion*, 43 vols., (Albany, N.Y.: J. B. Lyon and others, 1894–1906). These adjutant general reports are indexed in Wilt, Richard A., *New York Soldiers in the Civil War*, 2 vols. (Bowie, Md.: Heritage Books, 1999).
  - New York State Adjutant General's Office, *A Record of the Commissioned Officers, Non-commissioned Officers and Privates, of the Regiments which were organized in the State of New York*, (Albany, N.Y.: Comstock & Cassidy, 1864–1868).
  - Townsend, Thomas S., *Heroes of the Empire State in the War of the Rebellion*. (New York: Lowell & Co., 1889).
- For researching the history of a specific unit:
  - Phisterer, Frederick (Compiler). *New York in the war of the rebellion, 1861 to 1865*. Albany: J.B. Lyon Co., State printers, 1912. Online version available at <http://dmna.state.ny.us/historic/research/DigBooks/DigBooksIndex.htm>

- **Other Resources**

- Official Records: The 128-book set, "Official Records of the Union and Confederate Armies" and the 30-volume equivalent for the Navy are available online free at <http://dlxs2.library.cornell.edu/m/moawar/index.html>
- Medically-related resources
  - Hospitalization records dated 1821-1884 and 1894-1912 filed with Records of the Adjutant General's Office, RG 94. [See "Carded Records" in 94.12.3 plus also 94.12.4 & 94.12.5] Only available at the National Archives in Washington, DC.
  - United States National Homes for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers, 1866-1938, <https://familysearch.org/search/collection/1916230>
  - Veteran Home Registers: see [https://familysearch.org/wiki/en/US\\_Military\\_Old\\_Soldiers\\_Home\\_Records](https://familysearch.org/wiki/en/US_Military_Old_Soldiers_Home_Records)
  - Records of the Armed Forces Retirement Home, RG 231. Only available at the National Archives in Washington, DC.
  - Records of the Veteran's Administration, RG 15 and include registers of persons furnished artificial limbs (there were about 60,000 amputations during the Civil War). Only available at the National Archives in Washington, DC.
  - Medical Registers of Examinations of Recruits and Substitutes are part of Records of the Provost Marshal's General Bureau, RG 110, Medical examinations for the are dispersed throughout NARA's regional facilities.

- Army: <http://www.history.army.mil>
- Bibliography: [http://www.ahco.army.mil/site/finding\\_aids\\_brief.jsp](http://www.ahco.army.mil/site/finding_aids_brief.jsp)
- Cemeteries:
  - Nationwide Gravesite Locator, <http://gravelocator.cem.va.gov>
  - Department of Veterans Affairs Cemetery Listing, <https://www.cem.va.gov/cems/listcem.asp>
  - U.S. National Cemetery Interment Control Forms, 1928-1962, <https://www.ancestry.com/search/collections/2590/>
  - U.S. Burial Registers, Military Posts and National Cemeteries, 1862-1960, <https://www.ancestry.com/search/collections/3135/>
  - Civil War Service Records, <https://www.fold3.com/browse/270>
  - Veterans Legacy Memorial, <https://www.cem.va.gov/cem/legacy/>
  - National Graves Registration Database, <http://www.suvcwdb.org/>
  - [www.findagrave.com](http://www.findagrave.com), <https://billiongraves.com/>, [www.interment.net](http://www.interment.net)
- GAR: NYS Archives, <http://iarchives.nysed.gov/xtf/view?docId=B1706.xml;query=b1706;brand=default>
- GAR: Library of Congress, <http://www.loc.gov/rr/main/gar/garhome.html>
- GAR: <http://www.garrecords.org/>
- Maps: [http://memory.loc.gov/ammem/collections/civil\\_war\\_maps/](http://memory.loc.gov/ammem/collections/civil_war_maps/) Official Military Atlas of the Civil War at <http://alabamamaps.ua.edu/historicalmaps/civilwar/atlas.html>
- Newspapers: <http://www.fultonhistory.com/> <http://www.neh.gov/projects/usnp.html>
- Photos: <http://www.loc.gov>  
<http://www.archives.gov/research/military/civil-war/photos/index.html>  
<http://www.carlisle.army.mil/ahec/usamhi/photosearch.cfm>
- Prisons: <http://cyndislist.com/cw.htm#prisons>
- Other: <http://www.civilwarhome.com/> <http://militaryindexes.com/civilwar/>  
<http://www.civilwar.org/> [http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/American\\_Civil\\_War](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/American_Civil_War)  
<http://www.cwc.lsu.edu> <http://www.cyndislist.com/us/civil-war>,  
<http://www.acwancestor.org/>