



# WALTON RELATIONS

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## Walton County History Fair

**Saturday, March 10, 2012**

**8:30 AM – 3:00 PM**

**Walton County Fairgrounds**

**Hwy. 83 North, DeFuniak Springs**

We hope you will join us at the **2012 Walton County Antique Tractor Show & Pull, Wearing o' the Green Car Show, and History Fair**. The Walton County Heritage Association is hosting the History Fair portion of the event. We are teaming up with the Walton County Fair Association, which is hosting the tractor show and pull, and the Chautauqua Cruisers, which is hosting the car show, to provide a day of family fun.

**Wayne Sconiers** will have all of his records there to assist visitors with their genealogy. If you would like to exhibit your family's history, we will try to place you near Wayne so that genealogy buffs will be together. Participation is free and tables are provided if you reserve your space early.

[Event Flyer](#)  
[History Fair Application](#)

## WCGS Meeting

The Walton County Genealogy Society will meet on Saturday, February 11, at 10:00 AM at the Walton County Heritage Museum. Visitors are welcome. You do not need to be a member of the Walton County Heritage Association to attend a Genealogy Society meeting, but we encourage you to join it in support of our efforts.

The Genealogy Society will not meet in March because we will be at the History Fair!

## Volunteers Needed

The Walton County Genealogy Society booth was very busy at last year's History Fair. Contact [Wayne Sconiers](#) to volunteer to help for a couple of hours.

### **Walton County Heritage Museum**

Open Tuesday - Saturday: 1:00- 4:00 PM

1140 Circle Drive, DeFuniak Springs, FL 32435

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## **Confederate Monument Project**

In last month's *Walton Relations*, we reported that Walton County was soliciting bids for the replacement of the urn and hand on top of the Confederate Monument on the courthouse grounds in DeFuniak Springs. The county has received two bids, which were very far apart, but we have not heard which bid has been accepted.

In anticipation of funding the Confederate Monument Project, it was decided at our last Genealogy Society meeting that we will compile a book of biographies of all known participants in the Civil War from Walton County, not just those listed on the monument. In order to publish the book in a timely manner, we need a team of people who are willing to compile the existing records. Some of the source books used will be *The Heritage of Walton County*, *History of Walton County* by John L. McKinnon, and *Seventy-seven Years in Dixie: The Boys in Gray of '61 - '65* by Henry William Reddick, all of which are available for sale in the Walton County Heritage Museum gift shop. If you are willing to help us review these books and other records for inclusion in the Confederate Monument Project book or have information to share, please contact **Wayne Sconiers** at [WayneSconiers@embarqmail.com](mailto:WayneSconiers@embarqmail.com).

### **Names Listed on the Confederate Memorial on the Courthouse Grounds at DeFuniak Springs, Florida** Compiled by **Mark Curenton** of Apalachicola

This is the second part of the series. See the January issue of *Walton Relations* for the first part.

#### **Cotton, S.**

#### **1<sup>st</sup> Florida Infantry Regiment, Co. E**

*Biographical Rosters* - Page 104, Cotton, Shadrack A. (b. 1843 AL) lived in Walton Co. and enlisted 3/11/62 at Camp Walton and died soon after at Ringgold GA. Mother: Mary Ann Thornton.

*Soldiers of Florida* - Page 66, Cotton, Shadrack enlisted 3/11/62, died at Ringgold Ga., September 1862, of disease.

#### **Crawford, John**

#### **1<sup>st</sup> Florida Infantry Regiment, Co. D**

1860 Walton Co. Census - John Crawford, Page 10, Family # 65, 16 years old, farm laborer.

*Biographical Rosters* - Page 98, Crawford, John L. (b. 1844 Walton Co.) enlisted 2/28/62 at Camp Walton but died 8/24/62 in Greenville AL. He was 5'8", dark skin & eyes, black hair, occupation: farmer. Father: A.M. A.

*Soldiers of Florida* - Page 63, Crafford, John L., died in Georgia, 8/29/63.

#### **Evans, Jas.**

#### **Folie, Zion**

#### **6<sup>th</sup> Florida Infantry Regiment, Co. H**

*Biographical Rosters* - Page 658, Foley, Zion (b. 1824; m. Mahaley) enlisted 4/2/62 at the Mt. Vernon Arsenal. He died in Lexington KY 10/11/62 and was buried in a local cemetery, grave #36.

*Soldiers of Florida* - Page 167, Foley, Zion enlisted 4/2/62, died in Kentucky, buried in Lexington Cemetery.

#### **Ghent, John**

#### **6<sup>th</sup> Florida Infantry Regiment, Co. H**

1860 Walton Co. Census - John, Gent, Page 61, Family # 407, 17 years old, serving.

**Ghent, John** [continued]

*Biographical Rosters* - Page 35, Ghent, John (b. 1844 Walton Co.) enlisted 7/1/61 at Warrington (in Co. E, 1st Florida Infantry) and was mustered out 4/6/62. He reenlisted 10/27/62 in Company H, 6<sup>th</sup> Florida Infantry at Plains Cross Roads. He was appointed 5<sup>th</sup> Sgt 6/8/63 then 4th Sgt soon after. He was killed at Chickamauga 9/19/63. He was 5'10", fair skin, blue eyes, light hair, occupation: farmer, Mother: Mary G.

**Gillis, Angus D.**

**6<sup>th</sup> Florida Infantry Regiment, Co. H**

*Soldiers of Florida* - Page 167, Gillis, Angus D., enlisted 4/2/62.

**Gillis, Arch. G., Lieut.**

**6<sup>th</sup> Florida Infantry Regiment, Co. I**

1860 Holmes Co. Census - Archibald Gillis, Page 25, Family # 182, 16 years old, serving.

*Biographical Rosters* - Page 664, 3<sup>rd</sup> Lt. Archibald Gillis (b. 1844 Walton Co.) enlisted 3/14/62 at Marianna and was promoted 2<sup>nd</sup> Lt 2/19/63. He died of disease 4/12/63 in Mossy Creek TN. See Murdock M. Gillis.

*Soldiers of Florida* - Page 168, Archibald Gillis, 3<sup>rd</sup> Lieutenant. enlisted 3/14/62.

**Gillis, D. P.**

**6<sup>th</sup> Florida Infantry Regiment, Co. H**

1860 Walton Co. Census - Daniel P. Gillis, Page 8, Family # 53, 28 years old, laborer.

*Biographical Rosters* - Page 659, Gillis, Daniel P., enlisted 5/15/62 at Mt. Vernon. He died 11/13/62 in Knoxville while on detached service and was buried in local Bethel Cemetery.

*The Gillis Family in the South* - Page 38. Daniel Patterson Gillis, born 1/30/32, was the son of Neill Gillis and Elizabeth Patterson. He was a brother to Norman William Gillis.

**Gillis, Malcolm**

**6<sup>th</sup> Florida Infantry Regiment, Co. I**

*Biographical Rosters* - Page 667, Gillis, Malcom G. Jr. (b. 1844) enlisted 3/14/62 at Marianna and was killed at Chickamauga 9/19/63.

*Soldiers of Florida* -- Page 168, Gillis, Malcolm Jr., enlisted 3/14/62.

**Gillis, Murdoch**

**6<sup>th</sup> Florida Infantry Regiment, Co. C**

1860 Gadsden Co, Census - M. M. Gillis, Page 32, Family # 444, 23 years old, lawyer.

*Biographical Rosters* - Page 599, 3<sup>rd</sup> Sgt Murdock M. Gillis (b. 1839 Walton Co.) enlisted 1/20/62 at Quincy. He and his brother William (Company H, 6<sup>th</sup> Florida Infantry) were left sick in Lexington KY where they both died in November 1862 and were buried in a local cemetery. According to family records, Murdock died 11/17/62. Several ladies related the deaths of the Gillis brothers to John L. McKinnon: "They were pleasant and lovely in their lives and in their death they were not divided." Another brother Archibald died 4/12/63 at Mossy Creek TN. Father: Angus; Mother: Catherine Campbell.

*Soldiers of Florida* - Page 159, Gillis, M. M., sergeant

**Gillis, Murdoch M., Captain**

**6<sup>th</sup> Florida Infantry Regiment ????**

**Gillis, N. Wm.**

**6<sup>th</sup> Florida Infantry Regiment, Co. H**

*Biographical Rosters* - Page 659, Gillis, Norman W. (b. 1837) enlisted 4/2/62 at the Mt. Vernon Arsenal and was killed at Chickamauga 9/19/63, Father: W.S.

*The Gillis Family in the South* - Page 38, Norman William Gillis, born 9/8/35, son of Neill Gillis and Elizabeth Patterson. He was a brother to Daniel Patterson Gillis.

*Soldiers of Florida* - Page 167, Gillis, Norman W., enlisted 4/2/62.

**Gillis, W. C.**

**6<sup>th</sup> Florida Infantry, Regiment, Co. I**

1860 Holmes Co. Census - William Gillis, Page 25, Family # 182, 20 years old, serving.

**Gillis, W. C.** [continued]

*Biographical Rosters* - Page 659, Gillis William C. (h. 1840) enlisted 4/2/62 at the Mt. Vernon Arsenal. He transferred 6/1/62 to Company I, 6<sup>th</sup> Florida Infantry and was appointed 4th Sgt 8/1/62. He and his brother Murdock died in Lexington KY in November 1862 and were buried in a local cemetery. According to family records, William died 11/12/62. See Murdock M. Gillis.

**Gleason, Jos.**

**1st Florida Infantry Regiment, Co. E**

1860 Walton Co. Census - Joseph Gleason, Page 29, Family # 194, 19 years old, farmer.

*Biographical Rosters* - Page 105, Gleason, J. J., enlisted 3/1/62 at Camp Walton. He was left sick in Bardstown KY in late 1862 and captured. He was exchanged 11/15/62 and furloughed. He died in early 1863 in Walton Co.

*Soldiers of Florida* - Page 66, Glissen, Joe died of disease 2/13/63 at Walton, Fla.

**Gomillion, E.**

**1st Florida Infantry Regiment, Co. E**

*Soldiers of Florida* - Page 66, Gomillion, Elijah died in Kentucky September 1862 of disease.

**Gomillion, J.**

**4th Florida Infantry Battalion**

*Biographical Rosters* - Page 1097, Gomillion, Andrew J.. (b. 1828 SC; m. Mary Ann Rigdon, December 1849) enlisted 6/9/63 in Boynton Bluff and died of pneumonia 1/17/64 at Camp Stonewall (near Marianna). He was 6" light hair & skin, blue eyes.

Florida State Pension Files - His widow, Mary Ann Gomillion, received a pension, number A00177, after the war. In the application she states that he died on 1/5/64 near Marianna of "congestion of the brain."

**Gomillion, Wm.**

**1st Florida Infantry Regiment, Co. E**

1860 Walton Co. Census - William Gomillion, Page 14, Family # 91, 24 years old, farmer.

*Soldiers of Florida* - Page 66, Gomillion, William, died 8/2/62 at Montgomery.

**Gordon, Angus**

**6th Florida Infantry Regiment, Co. H**

1860 Walton Co. Census -- Angus Gordon, Page 52. Family # 354, 21 years old, farm laborer.

*Biographical Rosters* - Page 659, Gordon, Angus (b. 1839; m, Elizabeth) enlisted 4/2/62 at the Mt.

Vernon Arsenal. He was promoted 1st Cpl in late 1863. He was mortally wounded and died 2/13/63 in Marietta GA. He was buried in a local cemetery.

*Soldiers of Florida* - Page 167, Gordon, Angus, enlisted 4/2/62.

**Henderson, H.**

**Holly, R.**

**1st Florida Infantry Regiment, Co. D**

1860 Santa Rosa Co. Census - Robert Holly, Page 9, Family # 57, 28 years old, farmer.

*Biographical Rosters* - Page 99, Holley, Robert H. enlisted 2/28/62 at Camp Walton and was on detached service on most rolls. He and John L. McKinnon were captured 12/16/64 at Nashville while fighting in the trenches after most of the Florida Brigade had fled. According to McKinnon, Holley was the first person to realize that their position had been overrun. He was sent to Camp Chase prison where he died of pneumonia 2/12/65. He was buried in the prison cemetery, grave marker 1210, grave 20, row 29.

*Soldiers of Florida* - Page 64, Holly, Robert H.

**To be continued in the March newsletter.**

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