

## Alexander Jasper Burford, Corporal, Co. A, 10th MS Infantry, CSA

1842 July 6: Alexander Jasper Burford was born to Alexander and Jane Burford in Desoto County, Mississippi.

1850 The U.S. Federal Census enumerated in Desoto County, MS showed 8 year old Alexander lived with his parents and nine siblings. His Father's occupation was listed as "farming."

The 1850 Slave Schedule showed that Alexander Burford's Father owned enslaved people whose ages ranged from 38 to 5 months.

1860 The U.S. Federal Census enumerated in Desoto County, MS showed 18 year old Alexander Burford lived with his family. He was listed as a student.

Dec 20: Burford married Mary Jane Jackson.

1861 October 6: Birth of first child, a son named Daniel Lafayette Burford.

1862 March 1: Burford enlisted in the 10th MS Infantry at Horn Lake, MS.

1863 November 9: Burford's brother Mitchell Marion Burford, who served in the 42nd MS Infantry, died at Point Lookout, MD after being captured at the Battle of Gettysburg.

November 19: Promoted to Corporal.

1864 Nov 30: Burford fought at the Battle of Franklin where he was captured and sent to Nashville as a prisoner. His unit was under Brig. Gen. Jacob Sharp and made their assault as part of Maj. Gen. Ed Johnson's night attack on the western part of the battlefield.

He also had two other brothers, Kichen Lewter Burford and Tolbert Fannin Burford, serving in the 5th MS Cavalry under Maj. Gen. Nathan Bedford Forrest. They both survived this battle.

Dec 3: Burford was sent to Louisville, KY and from there on to Camp Douglas, Illinois.

- 1865 June 18: Discharged from Camp Douglas, Illinois after taking the oath of allegiance.
- 1870 The U.S. Federal Census enumerated in Desoto County, MS showed 27 year old A.J. Burford worked as a farmer and lived with his wife and kids.
- 1880 The U.S. Federal Census enumerated in Coleman County, Texas showed 37 year old Burford lived with his family and worked as a farmer. His sons worked on the farm and some of his daughters were listed as “at school.”
- 1900 The U.S. Federal Census enumerated in Scurry County, Texas listed 57 year old Burford worked as a farmer and lived with his kids.
- 1901 Sep 28: Alexander Jasper Burford passed away in Snyder, Texas. He is buried in the Snyder Cemetery.

