David L Dickey, Chaplain, Co. K, 47th Tennessee Infantry, CSA

- 1831 David L Dickey was born in Tennessee.
- 1850 Dec 5: The US Federal Census enumerated in Dyer County, TN listed D L Dickey at nineteen years old employed as a farmer. He lived in his father G W Dickey's household with his mother and several siblings.
- 1860 Sep 10: The US Federal Census enumerated in Dyer County, TN listed D L Dickey at twenty nine years old employed as a teacher. He lived with his parents, six brothers, and two sisters. All the males except for David were farmers.
- 1861 Feb 12: David L Dickey married N A Thomas in Gibson County, TN.
- 1862 Mar 21: Enlisted in the Confederate Army at Camp Trenton, TN for a period of time ending December 16, 1862. He was mustered into Co. K, 47th TN Infantry as a private.

Apr 26: The Confederate Congress passed a Conscription Act that made all white males aged eighteen to thirty five years old liable for three years of service in the Confederate armed forces. By the end of September, the age range had been expanded to forty five years old. David and many other rank and file soldiers' enlistments in the Confederate Army were extended.

May & Jun: Appeared on a company muster roll as absent. Remarks: "Hospital nurse"

Aug 31 - Oct 15: Served as a hospital nurse during the Confederate Heartland Campaign in KY.

Oct 27: Captured at the Battle of Richmond, KY. David was transported north to Louisville, KY for processing.

Nov 29: Appeared on a register of prisoners of war captured at Richmond, KY. Remarks: "Sent to Vicksburg via Cairo" David Dickey was transported to Vicksburg on the steamboat "Mary Crane."

- 1863 Feb: Returned to the ranks of the 47th TN Infantry, part of the Army of Tennessee, in Shelbyville, TN.
 - Mar & Apr: Appeared on a company muster roll. Remarks: "Sent to hospital since roll made out"
 - Jul & Aug: Appeared on a company muster roll as absent. Remarks: "at hospital, Rome, GA"

Sep: From a convalescent camp at Rome, GA, David L Dickey applied for a transfer from the rank of private to chaplain. The surgeon in charge stated that he had examined David and he could not perform the actions necessary to fulfill his duties as a soldier due to "Chronic diarrhea."

Nov & Dec: Appeared on a company muster roll as present. Remarks: "bayonet lost"

1864 Mar: Appeared on a receipt roll for clothing.

Apr 20: David's brother, J.D. Dickey enlisted in the 15th TN Cavalry, CSA.

Nov 30: The Army of Tennessee under Gen. John Bell Hood assaulted Gen. John Schofield's Federal force in Franklin, TN. The 47th TN Infantry was part of Gen. Quarles brigade of Gen. Walthall's division. They attacked Gen. Jacob Cox's division entrenched on the east side of the Columbia pike and suffered tremendous casualties. David L Dickey was killed in action and buried on the battlefield.

1866 Mar-Jun: David L Dickey's remains were exhumed from the battlefield in Franklin and moved to the newly created Confederate Cemetery at Carnton. He was reburied in the Tennessee section, grave #93.

