

## Joseph A. Russell, Private, Co. B, 2 MO Infantry, CS

1838 April 23: Born to Stephen and Rebecca Russell in Tennessee.

1850 November 1: The U.S. Federal Census enumerated in Warren County, MS showed twelve year old Joseph living with his parents and siblings. His father was a Planter.

1864 March 14: Enlisted in the C.S. Army and mustered into Co. B, 2 MO Infantry.

March to June: Company Muster Rolls. Present.

November 30: Wounded at the Battle of Franklin and had his arm amputated.

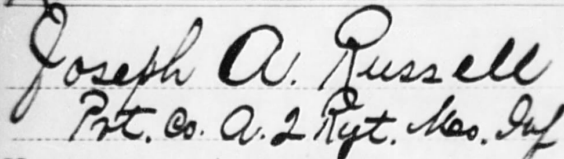
December 17: Captured in Franklin, TN.

December 26: Admitted to U.S.A. Gen'l Hosp No. 1 in Nashville, TN.

"Circular amputation of right arm in upper third on Dec. 2, 1864."

1865 January 3: Transferred to the provost marshal in Nashville and on to Camp Chase, OH.

May 18: Signed the Oath of Allegiance.



Name appears as signature to an  
**Oath of Allegiance**  
to the United States, subscribed and sworn to at  
Camp Chase, Ohio, May 15, 1865.\*

Place of residence *Crawford Co. Mo*  
Complexion *Flond* ; hair *Red*  
Eyes *Blue* ; height *5* ft. *10* in.  
Age *27* years.  
Where captured *Franklin, Ten*  
When captured *Dec. 17*, 1864. <sup>1</sup>

<sup>1</sup> Russell, Joseph, Compiled Service Records, Missouri, 2nd Infantry (Accessed fold3.com)

1866 (abt) Married Caroline Balkum.

1870 July 13: The U.S. Federal Census enumerated in Cane Creek, Butler County, MO showed Joseph, a methodist minister, and Caroline living with their two young sons, James and Charles.

1880 June 1: The U.S. Federal Census enumerated in Oak Ridge, Cape Girardeau County, MO showed Joseph A., a clergyman, and Caroline living with their three sons: James, Charles and John. Caroline was listed as suffering from Rheumatism.

1882 November 26: Wife, Caroline, died.

1895 (abt) Married second wife, Elizabeth.

1900 June 2: The U.S. Federal Census enumerated in Lorange, Bollinger County, MO showed Joseph, a minister, and Lizzie living with his family.

### FOR CHAPLAIN.

Marble Hill Press: Rev. Joseph A. Russell, of Lutesville, through the solicitation of many friends, announces his candidacy for chaplain of the house of representatives. Rev. Russell is well known and has many friends in Southeast Missouri, having served many of the charges during his thirty-three years' faithful service as an itinerant minister of the M. E. church. He is an old confederate soldier, who carries the insignia of his service in an empty sleeve, having lost his arm at the battle of Franklin, Tenn.

Growing old and having lost his health to a certain extent, he became convinced that to pursue the prudent course he must abandon the itineracy, and at the last session of the St. Louis conference was granted a superannuary relation, when his friends in a short time as will be remembered, raised and presented him with a purse of \$300, so that his wants might be supplied during the present year.

To be chaplain of the house of representative would crown the declining years of this faithful old soldier of the cross with an honor that none would appreciate more than he, and any effort made in his behalf will be highly appreciated by his friends as well as himself

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<sup>2</sup> The Democrat-Argus, Caruthersville, MO, Friday 21 Dec 1900, pg. 4 (accessed newspapers.com)

1901

**SOUTHEAST Missouri has a candidate for chaplain of the house of representatives in the person of Rev. Joseph A. Russell, of Lutesville. He is an old confederate soldier, who carries the insignia of his service in an empty sleeve. He is well known throughout this part of the state, having served many of the charges during 33 years' faithful service as an itinerant minister of the Methodist church.**

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1903

The legislature when it meets at Jefferson City next week would do a noble act, if it would elect that worthy old vetran Rev. J. A. Russell, Chaplain.

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<sup>3</sup> Poplar Bluff Citizen, Poplar Bluff, MO, Thursday, 3 Jan 1901, pg. 8 (accessed newspapers.com)

<sup>4</sup> Wayne County Journal, Greenville, MO, Friday 2 Jan 1903, pg. 4 (accessed newspapers.com)

1905

The Rev. J. A. Russell of Lutesville arrived on Monday night. He is an ex-soldier, who served his country with as much zeal as he serves his God, and, as a friend expressed it last night, he is one of the "preachingest preachers" that ever lived. His friends may be found in every town in the conference district. He is well and hearty, and in good shape for many year's service yet.

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- 1910 April 19: The U.S. Federal Census enumerated in Lorange, Bollinger County, MO showed Joseph, a minister, living with Elizabeth.
- 1911 April 8: Died in Missouri. He was buried at the Slaybaugh Cemetery in Bollinger Couty, MO.

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<sup>5</sup> Pemiscot Press, Caruthersville, MO, September, 22 Sep 1905, pg. 1 (accessed newspapers.com)



### NOTED METHODIST DIVINE DEAD.

Rev. Joseph Russell, one of the oldest southern Methodist preachers of Southeast Missouri, died recently at his home in Lutesville. He was for many years prominent in this part of the state, but for several years has been on the superannuated list. He was born in Tennessee and served as a Confederate soldier under General Francis M. Cockrell, losing an arm at the great battle of Franklin, Tenn. He was at one time chaplain of the Missouri House of Representatives.

Rev. Russell was an eminently good man and was loved and respected by all who knew him.

<sup>6</sup> Findagrave/user/MarleneSmith

<sup>7</sup> The Bloomfield Vindicator, Bloomfield, MO, Friday, 28 Apr 1911, pg. 1 (accessed newspapers.com)