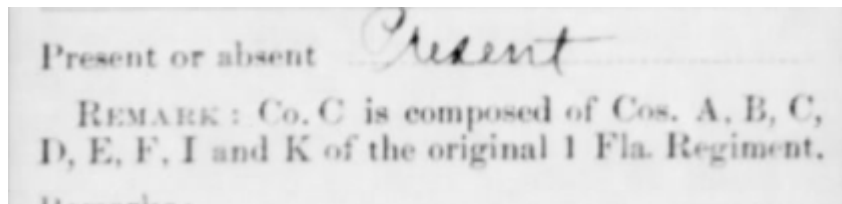


Henry Thomas Wright, Captain, Co. E, 1st Florida Infantry, CSA

- 1842 Nov 11: Henry Thomas Wright was born to parents Benjamin D. Wright and Josephine De La Rua Wright in Pensacola, FL.
- 1850 Oct: The US Federal Census enumerated in Escambia County, FL listed Henry T Wright at eleven years old. He lived in the household of his father, Benjamin, who was a lawyer with \$5,000 in real estate. The 1850 Slave schedule listed Benjamin D. Wright as the owner of seven slaves.
- 1860 Jun 7: The US Federal Census enumerated in Walton County, FL listed Henry Wright at eighteen years old. He was employed and attended school in the last year. He was living in the household of a physician named August D McKinnon.
- 1861 Jul 20: Henry T. Wright enlisted in the Confederate Army at Camp Walton, FL. He was mustered into Co. E, 1st FL Infantry as 2nd Lt.
- 1862 Aug 15: Promoted to Captain of Commissary for 1st FL Infantry.
- 1863 Mar-Apr: H.T. Wright appeared on a muster roll for the 1st FL Infantry. Remarks: Daily duty as Regt'l Commissary. Henry Wright spent the rest of 1863 on commissary duty, most likely requisitioning supplies to support the Confederate army.
- 1864 Nov 7: H.T. Wright appeared on a report of staff officers and acting staff officers serving in Cheatham's Corps, Army of TN taken at Tuscumbia, AL.
- Nov 20: H.T. Wright appeared on a report of staff officers and acting staff officers serving in Cheatham's Corps, Army of TN taken "in the field."
- Nov 30: Captain H.T. Wright fought at the Battle of Franklin as part of Finley's FL Brigade. This brigade was under the command of Col. Robert Bullock but was more well known as Finley's Brigade. They were part of Gen. William Bate's Division and attacked the Federal earthworks on the western edge of the battlefield. The attack failed and Capt. Wright was able to make it through the Battle of Franklin alive.
- 1865 Jan 2: Henry T. Wright appeared on a register at St. Mary's hospital, West Point, MS. Disease: V.S. (Vulnus Sclopetarium aka gunshot wound)
- Jan 10: From the Army of TN HQ at Tupelo, MS, Henry T. Wright was given a furlough of thirty days on account of his wound.
- Jan 14: Henry T. Wright appeared on a register at Way Hospital, Meridian, MS. Complaint: Wound

Apr 28: H.T. Wright appeared on a muster roll of officers and men surrendered under CSA Gen. Johnston in NC. By this point, Henry was Captain of Co. C, 1st FL Infantry.



- May 1: Capt. H.T. Wright was paroled at Greensboro, NC and sent home.
- 1869 Jul: Henry T. Wright married Emily C Avery in Escambia County, FL.
- 1870 The US Federal Census enumerated in Santa Rosa County, FL listed Henry T Wright as a twenty nine year old saw mill proprietor. He was living with his wife, Emily, and their son, Albert. Henry possessed \$8,000 in his personal estate.
- 1880 Jun 6: The US Federal Census enumerated in Santa Rosa County, FL listed Henry T Wright as a thirty nine year old lumber manufacturer. He lived with his wife, Emily, and a three year old daughter named Gertrude. There were three black servants that resided in Henry's household too.
- 1882 Dec 6: Henry wrote his last will and testament. A portion follows:
"I Henry T Wright of the village of Blackwater, county of Santa Rosa, State of Florida do hereby make this my last will and testament. I bequeath to my wife Emily any every and all property I may have at the time of my death, to have and to hold for her own use, benefit and behoof forever.
This upon condition that my adopted daughter Elma Gertrude is to be considered and treated in every respect like my own child in case my wife Emily should die before me then everything to go to Gertrude.
Signed this 6th day of December A.D. 1882 at Blackwater, Florida in the presence of..."
- 1885 Jun: The Florida State Census enumerated in Santa Rosa County, FL listed H.T. Wright as a mill owner. He was forty four years old and lived with his wife and an adopted daughter named Gertie (Gertrude). There is one black servant named Susan Blaine listed in his household as well.
- 1899 Feb 2: Henry Thomas Wright died. He was buried in Saint John's Cemetery in Pensacola, FL.

Feb 14:

In Memory of H. T. Wright.

The following lines describe so fittingly the passing away of my friend, Mr. Wright, that I venture to ask you to print them. They were written by the widow of a farm laborer in England upon the death of the late Archbishop of Canterbury, who died in Mr. Gladstone's pew in Harwarden church. One stanza is omitted.

P. H. W.

We speak with bated breath,
With awe, with veneration,
We call it death;
But what a bright translation!
He scarce could feel the coldness of the tide,
'Ere he was landed on the other side,
And as they bore him, well might angels sing,
O, grave, where is thy victory?
O, death, where is thy string?

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² The Pensacola News, Pensacola, FL, Tuesday, 14 February 1899, pg. 2.

³ [Henry Thomas Wright \(1842-1899\) - Find a Grave Memorial](#)