

# Written In Stone

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## Remembering our Fallen Soldiers

This Christmas, let us remember all of our fallen comrades who are buried far from home—those from the WBTS were mentioned last week as being buried in graveyards in other states, counties, etc. According to Chip Culpepper's website at [www.alabama37th.com/burials-a-l.htm](http://www.alabama37th.com/burials-a-l.htm) Lt. Thomas J. Carlisle, is quoted in 1862 as having said, "while there is honor in being buried upon the battlefield or in the soldier's cemetery, yet, every soldier prefers having his last resting place in the graveyard at home." This site of Culpeppers is an excellent website giving the general information about the burial places of those in the 37<sup>th</sup> AL.

The Evergreen-Conecuh County Library, Lucy C. Warren Heritage Section is blessed in having three volumes, listing the cemeteries in Conecuh County. There are several more cemeteries that have been discovered anew since these books were published in the early 1980's. We have additional books, such as "The Evergreen Old Historical Cemetery" compiled by the late Elizabeth d'Autrey Riley which gives detailed information on those who are interred in this cemetery on Perryman Street, across from Compass Academy. Others are detailed in various other single publications, or within family histories one might find in our archives.

Another website you might find interesting is located at <http://www.trackingyourroots.com/pdf/6thALCav.pdf> where the information about the 6<sup>th</sup> AL Cavalry can be found; as well as at <http://www.canebrakeghs.com> where Canebrake Society has information on some of our Native Sons as to where they are buried in Conecuh County. The local SCV Camp has a listing of where our own Conecuh Guards are all interred at, and each April during Confederate History Month, this group places flags at those burial sites.

One can walk out in almost every cemetery in Conecuh County, and find a veteran of some war, with either a military headstone or simple marker depicting the service to his country. If your ancestor isn't listed in the books we have on file here, please get that information to me here at the library, so that we might update our listings and include your soldiers' service to our country in future publications as well as online.

To view some of the letters of our Confederate Soldier boys to their loved ones at home, visit the following website: <http://home.att.net/~smerela/christmasletters.html>

Hope you and yours will have a Blessed and Merry Christmas!