

First Lieutenant Henry S. Figures
4th Alabama Infantry & 48th Alabama Infantry

Enlisted on July 10, 1861 in Winchester, Virginia. Henry's age is 18, his occupation is shown as a salesman, he is single and a resident of Huntsville, Alabama.

August, 1861 given a \$21 allowance for clothing.

August 21, 1862 elected 3rd Sergeant. December, 1862 promoted to 1st Sergeant.

In a January 2, 1863 letter to his mother from Fredericksburg he notes, "*Issac Gill got here this morning. he said he had a letter & a pair of boots for me but they were stolen from him at the hotel in Richmond . . . I am very sorry you know as it is the second pair of boots that have been sent to me. Do not send anymore for fear that they will get lost. . . .*

. . . We had a very dull Christmas here, some of the regt were drunk . . . but not a drop went down my throat. . . . Tell Pa that my promotion has not come yet . . . Tell Otey that I have bought that little rifle from Pres Drake for him. I gave him Twenty five dollars for it. When I come home I will bring it to him & learn him how to shoot . . ."

May 2, 1863 on detached duty to the 48th Alabama to serve as adjutant to Colonel Sheffield.

July 28, 1863 transferred to the 48th Alabama. August 16, 1863 his transfer is official and 2nd Lieutenant Henry Figures is confirmed as the adjutant for the 48th Alabama.

Record shows that Henry served with the 4th Alabama at First Manassas, Eltham's Landing, Seven Pines, Gaines Farm [Mill], Malvern Hill, Second Manassas, South Mountain, Sharpsburg, Fredericksburg, Fort Huger and Suffolk.

During his time with the 48th Alabama they were at Gettysburg, Chickamauga, Knoxville and the Wilderness.

1st Lieutenant Henry Figures was killed May 6, 1864 at the battle of the Wilderness. The 48th Alabama was serving in Law's Brigade

(Compiled Service Records – Confederate, Micro Copy 311, Roll 211; United Daughters of the Confederacy, Richmond, Virginia. January 2, 1863 Letter of Henry S. Figures, Private collection of Henry Kidd, Petersburg, Virginia.)