

Private Irvin Umphrey [filed as Irwin & Irvin Humphrey]
Co. E – “States Rights Guards” - 49th Georgia Infantry
Thomas’s Brigade – A. P. Hill’s Division – Jackson’s Second Corp

Irvin was born in 1841. The 1860 census shows him and his sister M. J. living with Thomas and Alice Musselwhite (both in their 70s) in Dooly, Georgia. Irvin is shown as 22 and a farm laborer and M. J. as domestic help. Irvin is listed with \$50 of personal property and the report notes that he cannot read.

Irvin enlisted March 4, 1862, in Abbeville, Wilcox County, Georgia. He enlisted for the duration of the war. Shown on muster rolls April, 1862; June, 1862; August, 1862; February, 1863 & April, 1863. Irwin’s pay is running the normal 60 days behind. In the April, 1862, muster he was shown absent sick in the Augusta (Georgia) Hospital.

Lumbago caused his admittance to Chimborazo #1 on December 6, 1862, and he was returned to duty December 17th.

Irvin was wounded and captured on May 3, 1863, at Chancellorsville. His right arm was fractured by a Minie ball and was amputated above the elbow by Union surgeons in an Army of the Potomac field hospital. On May 8, 1863, he was received at the U. S. A. General Hospital in Washington, D.C. Irvin was transferred to Old Capital Prison on June 16. Paroled on June 25th and exchanged at City Point, Virginia, on June 30, 1863. On July 1, 1863 he was received at the Confederate Hospital in Petersburg and given a medical furlough home on July 3rd.

In August, 1863, no longer able to perform field duty Irvin was detailed to his home county to recover stragglers. This remained his detailed assignment through the muster reports of February, 1865. He was carried on the Company E muster rolls for the entire war.

There are no indications in his file of any pay after April 31, 1863, with the exception of extra duty pay of \$1.25 per day he received from February 3, 1864 through May 3, 1864. This was a total of \$107.50. No record of parole or Oath of Allegiance.

Irvin married Susan Taylor (1866 or 1867??). He and Susan had at least 8 children. He worked as a farmer (1870) and then a peddler (1880). Susan was a laborer. Irvin is shown as crippled on the 1880 census and applied for a war pension in 1887. Susan died in 1909 and Irvin in 1917 and they are both buried in Jackson County, FL.

Compiled Service Records – Confederate, Brewer Library, UDC Headquarters, Richmond, Virginia – Micro Copy 266, Roll 504; *Roster of Confederate Soldiers of Georgia*, Lilian Henderson, 1960, Hapeville, p239 of the 49th Georgia volume; Ancestry.com Census Reports: (1860) M653-119, P 490; (1870) M593-129, P 807B; (1880) Roll 128, Film 1254128, p. 507B. Oral family history and pension application copy from Woody Jones.