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GEORGE E. ARMOR LETTERS, 1862–1863

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BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH

George E. Armor lived in Delphi, Indiana. He enlisted on 5 September 1861 as a musician and was mustered into A Company, Indiana 9th Infantry. The regiment left the state soon after for western Virginia, went into quarters at Cheat Mountain, and was engaged at Green River and camp Alleghany. It was transferred to Major General Buell's army on 19 February and sent to Nashville, where it was assigned to William Nelson's division, with which it participated in the second day's battle of Shiloh. It was during this battle that Armor was injured. He was discharged for disability on 30 June 1862.

On 20 July he re-enlisted, under the name George E. Armer, as a private and because he was unfit for battle he worked in the medical unit. He was mustered into B Company, Indiana 86th Infantry and the regiment left for Louisville on 20 September. In Louisville it was assigned to the 14th brigade, 5th division, Army of the Ohio, and was in pursuit of General Braxton Bragg for two months.

When the Army of the Cumberland was formed the regiment was assigned to the 2nd brigade, 3rd division, 21st corps, and in the battle of Stone's River, Tennessee it was on the left wing. It was with the division that saved the right from rout, bringing victory out of defeat, and driving the enemy nearly a mile. Armer was killed at Stone's River on 31 December 1862. He was shot through the heart while on the battlefield loading a body onto a stretcher.

Sources:

American Civil War Research Database. Duxbury, MA: Historical Data Systems, Inc., 2005 [cited 15 June 2005]. Available from World Wide Web: (<http://civilwardata.com/>)

SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

This collection consists of one discharge letter for Armor after he was injured at the battle of Shiloh and no longer fit for military duty. On the back of the letter is an oath of identity. Also included are three letters of appointment for Armor to work in a medical capacity within the army, a letter of praise regarding a report written by Armor about his unit's activities, and three letters to Armor's relatives about the circumstances surrounding his death.

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