

The mission of the 29th Connecticut Colored Regiment C.V. Infantry, a not-for-profit organization based in New Haven, Connecticut, is to commemorate and perpetuate the memory and contributions of our ancestors who fought so gallantly in the regiment for their manhood, honor, freedom and glory. We, the Members of the 29th, promote cultural awareness of African American, Native American and Caucasian officers who served under the Union in the Civil War.



As a not-for-profit historical organization, our goal is to solicit funds to erect a monument at Grapevine Point, Fair Haven, the encampment for the 29th regiment, and to commission artwork for the face plate of the monument that will be reflective of the historic contributions of this Connecticut regiment. Our objectives include preserving the uniformity of our ancestors, participating in parades, establishing relationships with private and public institutions who are involved in historical and educational programming, classroom presentations and working with educators on curriculum development that will increase public awareness of our organization's rich history.

Listed below are the more than 900 volunteers from 120 Connecticut towns and cities who enlisted for service in the 29th regiment beginning in the fall of 1863.

For more information about the 29th, or to make a donation to the Monument Fund, please contact: Harrison H. Mero at 203-776-0571.

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Pvt. Holden, Leverett - D
Pvt. McFarland, Joseph - D
1st Sgt. Williams, Henry - H-E
- Barkhamsted**
Pvt. Jeffrey, Cyrus - G
- Berlin**
Sgt. Smith, James L. - B
Pvt. Scott, Samuel - C
Pvt. Jackson, Henry M. - E
Pvt. Sipple, John - E
Cpl. Morrison, E.L. Wm. - I
Sgt. Gardner, Henry A. - I
Pvt. Green, Samuel - K
- Bethany**
Pvt. Bagdon, Augustus - C
Pvt. Cosden, Charles H. - G
Pvt. Green, Charles - C
Pvt. Smith, Henry - I
- Bethel**
Pvt. Hammett, William H. - D
Pvt. Demis, Francis - K
- Bloomfield**
Pvt. Reader, Cornelius - G
Pvt. Glazier, Henry - G
Pvt. Hyde, David - G
Pvt. Mickel, James - G
Cpl. Mingo, Henry - G
- Bozrah**
Pvt. Thompson, Lewis - B-E
Pvt. Carroll, John - H
Pvt. Thomas, John - I
Smith, George Henry
- Bradford**
Cpl. Brown, Charles - C
Pvt. Butler, Samuel - G
Pvt. Green, Charles H. - G
Pvt. Grimes, John R. - H
Pvt. Mason, Charles - H
Cpl. Smith, Thomas - I
Pvt. Danby, William - I
Pvt. Griffin, Alexander - I
Pvt. Morris, William H. - I
Pvt. Parker, William H. - K
- Bridgewater**
Pvt. Hayes, Moses H. - A
Pvt. Leppan, Harvey - B
Cpl. Smith, Charles - C
Pvt. Freeman, Edwin H. - C
Pvt. Thompson, Joseph - C
Pvt. Elder, William - D
Pvt. Lake, Edward - D
Pvt. Royce, Lyman H. - D
Mus. Lake, William H. - F
Pvt. Johnson, Cato - F
Pvt. Buskirk, Richard - K
Pvt. Caesar, Paul - K
- Bridgewater**
Pvt. Mars, James - E
Pvt. Gregory, William H. - E
Pvt. Mars, Henry - E
Pvt. Dixon, Anthony G. - F
Pvt. Storms, Harvey - F
Pvt. Wright, Samuel - F
- Bristol**
Pvt. Hector, George H. - H
Pvt. Willet, Aaron - I
Pvt. Potter, Ammon - K
1st Sgt. Samuel R. Place - H
- Brockfield**
Pvt. Simons, Tallman - K
- Brooklyn**
Pvt. Lewis, Emor - D
Pvt. Malbone, Albert E. - D
Pvt. Congdon, Elisha H. - G
- Burlington**
Pvt. Newport, Daniel - G
Pvt. Smith, Charles - G
- Canaan**
Pvt. Wooster, Edward C. - B
Pvt. Royce, James - D
Pvt. Vance, Joseph - I
- Canterbury**
Pvt. Benson, John - G
Pvt. Brown, Miles - H
Pvt. Durand, James - H
- Canton**
Pvt. Matthews, Henry - A
Pvt. Hasbrook, David - C
Pvt. Marshall, John W. - C
Pvt. Scott, John - F
Pvt. Smith, William - F
Pvt. Wilson, George - G
- Chatham**
Pvt. Gordon, Christian H. - B
1st Lt. Brown, William H. - D
Cpl. Pennington, Thomas - K
Pvt. Emory, James - K
Pvt. Price, Andrew - C - K
Pvt. Jeffrey, George - K
- Cheshire**
1st Sgt. Miles, Jackson - B
Mus. Grey, Needham - C
Sgt. Garver, Allen - D
Pvt. Miller, Titus - E
Pvt. Stevens, John - D
Pvt. Payne, Enos - E
Pvt. Henson, Frank - H
- Chester**
Sgt. Robinson, Isaac J. - E
Pvt. Fowler, James F. - E
Pvt. Parker, Henry - E
Pvt. Ladue, Alfred - F
- Clinton**
1st Sgt. Spencer, Jacob F. - D
Sgt. Howard, William - D
Cpl. Johnson, Samuel - D
Pvt. Brooks, Chester - D
Pvt. Butler, Thomas - D
Pvt. Purdy, John - D
- Colchester**
Pvt. Hyde, Joseph - B
Pvt. Brewster, William H. - D
Pvt. James, Philip - D
Pvt. Ransom, Augustus I. - D
- Colebrook**
Pvt. Anson, Walter A. - B
Pvt. Hicks, Elias - B
Pvt. Hicks, Samuel - B
Pvt. White, Henry - L - B
Pvt. St. John, Charles - D
Pvt. Warren, Nelson - E
- Columbia**
Mus. Buell, William - B
Pvt. Gardner, Jeremiah A. - H
Pvt. Jackson, Benjamin - K
- Cornwall**
1st Sgt. Lepton, John - F
Sgt. Watson, John H. - I
Pvt. Green, George H. - F
- Covey**
Hosp. Stew. Dimock, Daniel W.
Pvt. Sprigs, Jerome - C
Pvt. Brown, William H. 2nd - H
- Danbury**
Pvt. Overton, Charles - A
1st Sgt. Richards, Charles - B
Cpl. Gaul, Isaac - B
Cpl. Pine, William - B
Cpl. Thomas, Charles - B
Pvt. Armstrong, William - B
Pvt. Banks, Willis - B
Pvt. Brown, Elbert - B
Pvt. Gaul, George - B
Pvt. Knapp, John - B
Pvt. Phillips, Chauncey - B
Pvt. Small, John S. - B
Pvt. Watson, John T. - B
Pvt. Watson, John L. - B
Pvt. Godfrey, Jeremiah - C
Pvt. Butler, Henry - D
Cpl. Halstead, George - E
Pvt. Argy, Charles B. - F
Pvt. Smith, Charles - I
Pvt. Pine, Albert - K
- Darien**
Pvt. Major, George H. - H
Cpl. Duncan, Samuel - K
Pvt. Price, John - K
Pvt. Watson, John S. - K
- East Haven**
Pvt. Seymour, James - G
Pvt. Williams, John A. - H
Pvt. Ruby, Samuel A. - K
- Fairfield**
Cpl. Alexander, Joseph - A
Pvt. Harrison, Charles
Pvt. Thompson, Henry - A
Pvt. Morton, Isaac - B
Pvt. Perry, John - B
Pvt. Storms, Martin - B
Pvt. Copelin, Richard - C
Pvt. Maticce, Benjamin - C
Pvt. Peterson, George W. - C
Pvt. Fatty, Philip - F
Pvt. Wilson, Wyatt - F
Cpl. Burr, George - I
Pvt. Best, Henry S. - I
Pvt. Storms, Gen. Lafayette - I
Pvt. Russell, William - K
Stewart, Robert H. - K
- East Granby**
Pvt. Tingley, James - D
Pvt. Andrews, George W. - F
Sgt. Freeman, William H. - G
- East Haddam**
Pvt. Jones, John H. - I
Pvt. Mulhan, Edward - I
Pvt. Roberts, Alexander - I
- Eastford**
Pvt. Wright, Frederic - I
Pvt. Vance, Thomas - K
Pvt. Colwell, James - D
1st Lt. Stewart, Gordon W. - H
- East Hartford**
Quartermaster Goodwin, George
Pvt. Gardner, William - D
Pvt. Lewis, William J.
Pvt. Brown, Jacob C. - E
Pvt. Miller, Titus - E
Pvt. Francis, George - G
Pvt. Spruce, Charles - G
Pvt. Freeman, George - H
- Enfield**
Cpl. McIntire, Guinup - I - D
Pvt. Holmes, Hudson - D
Pvt. Moore, Samuel - D
Wheeler, Robert - D
Cpl. Groce, Cornelius S. - E
Pvt. Watson, Richard R. - F
Pvt. Baldwin, George - F
Pvt. Branson, Charles - F
Pvt. Fairchild, Charles L. - F
Pvt. Harris, Peter - F
1st Sgt. Demmond, Henry - G
Pvt. Durham, William H. - G
Pvt. Payne, Charles - G
- Enfield**
Pvt. Johnson, Henry - D
Pvt. Johnston, Henry - D
Pvt. Moore, Samuel - D
Pvt. Nichols, Michael B. - D
Pvt. Pell, John H. - D
Pvt. Rolin, James - D
Pvt. Thompson, John T. - D
Pvt. Zebirsky, Samuel - D
Pvt. Payne, Charles - E
Pvt. Nicholas, Burr - F
Pvt. Gray, Charles - G
Pvt. West, Robert - K
- Farmington**
1st Sgt. Kelly, Jeremiah - B
- Guilford**
Cpt. Griswold, Charles - B
Cpl. Thompson, Jacob - H
Pvt. Lawrence, Lyman - I
Pvt. Daniels, Alfred - K
Pvt. Jackson, Abraham - F
- Haddam**
Cpl. Jackson, Andrew - C
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Pvt. Smith, Nelson A. - D
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Pvt. Dubois, John F. - H
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Pvt. Van Liew, William T. - H
- Hamden**
Pvt. Williams, John W. - B
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About the 29th regiment

Under a shower of cannon fire, the soldiers of the 29th held the line. They spent 23 hours in late October 1864, outside Petersburg, Virginia, coming under fire for the first time since organized nearly a year earlier. When the Battle of Kell House was over 80 men were lost, but the 29th Connecticut Volunteer Infantry was heralded.

"The men behaved admirably," Captain Henry G. Marshall later wrote of his unit. "They displayed great coolness and bravery."

Though Confederate rebels took the battle, the 29th claimed a victory, for they were not just soldiers, but black men.

One of 166 black regiments formed during the Civil War, the 29th drew 1,000 free black men and Native Americans from across the state, and included former slaves recruited from the south.

Two dozen members of the 29th listed their hometown as Greenwich, Connecticut.

They were porters, laborers, farmers, and seaman. Organized in the fall of 1863, the unit saw action in Maryland and Virginia and battled Texas rebels who ignored Confederate Gen. Robert E. Lee's surrender, before coming home in October 1865.

When they arrived in Maryland the people there were surprised to see that the regiment from New Haven was made up of black men. The 29th was one of only five black regiments to use its state name.

Other troops, including several hundred more from the state who were not enough for a regiment, were known as the United States Colored Troops.

A laborer born in Darien, Connecticut Thomas Carpenter, left a wife and two children in Greenwich when he joined the 29th in December 1863. He earned the rank of corporal and served through the war's end, dying in 1903 at the age of 70.

Joseph Sills of Woodbridge, Connecticut, met his future father-in-law in the 29th, marrying the daughter of fellow soldier Samuel Franklin of Norwich, Connecticut after the war. Because of the marriage, Al Mero now traces his great-grandfather to that Civil War link.

Lloyd Eugene Seymour of Colchester, Connecticut, petitioned Governor William Buckingham after his tour of duty to form a peacetime militia so blacks and other veterans could use the skills they acquired during the war, his great-great-grandson, Alan Green of Bloomfield, said. At the time, a law forbade blacks from carrying arms during peacetime, but years later the militia Seymour envisioned became the Connecticut National Guard and he enlisted.

The 29th lost hundreds during the war, some wounded or killed in action at Kell House or the fall of Richmond; others succumbing to disease that killed two-thirds of all the soldiers, black and white, who died in the Civil War.

Many are buried in Greenwich's Union Cemetery, Spring Grove Cemetery in Darien and Evergreen Cemetery in New Haven.

It is a story seldom told in history books. Even people with ancestors in the 29th often uncovered those links with surprise. "I told my children and they were flabbergasted," said Al Mero, who only as an adult learned of his relatives in papers discovered when his great-uncle died.

Alan Green found records, letters and mementos of his great-great-grandfather when cleaning his mother's home. "No stories were told to me about it," he said. "I was ecstatic to find such a positive story about this man... When he returned he was still trying to think constructively."

The black soldiers who made up 10 percent of the Union army, faced the rebels of the Confederacy, but many found a tougher enemy, the racism that pervaded even the ranks of the Northern forces.

Until 1864 blacks were paid less than their white counterparts and seldom was a black officer commissioned to lead troops into battle. For a time blacks were kept at the back of the corps, restricted to manual labor. There was segregation in the North, and even the question of whether blacks could fight. "They volunteered to fight in a war that is still being fought to this day," said Vinnie Drake of Derby, whose great-great-grandfather, James Drake, served in the 29th. "It took guts to enlist in an army that, at the time didn't even see you as a human being." A laborer who worked with horses, 32 year old James Drake left his Ansonia, Connecticut home to enlist in 1863. After seeing action in the Battle of Kell House, Drake died in 1899 of an apparent heart attack. Vinnie Drake has a picture of his great-great-grandfather and has his ancestor's Civil War musket which remains in the family.

A letter from Jacob F. Spencer to his wife

Spencer was born in 1840. His date of death is unknown. (Letter reprinted courtesy of the Connecticut Historical Society.)

My Dear wife it has Been along time since i have ritten tou you seeing that their is no engage ment to day I thought I woold pen you a few lines to let you know that I am well as Common except some lame the res of the Boyes are well at present wee left petersburg Wednesday sep 28 for richmond va arived at deep Bottom thursday about 3 oClock in the morning it seamed to me as if i should drop down dead I was so tired it was a dark & foggy night two the Rebs pi[t]ched Battle with us thursday morning at 6 1/2 Wee drove them Back about 4 miles the 8th Pensilvaney & 9th lost over three hundred men this was don in makin acharge wee the 29th Marched up the Balles did whistle aroun our heads dreadffiley wee all expected that it was our last time the Rebs cept fiering for a long time But they finaley gave up after a while wee Could look ahead

& see the men fall one after another wee had orders to drop under abank in which w[e] did very freeley & glad to get off so wee Just set their & look at the woounded men as they passed By some was shot in the face & eyes some in the arme & legs trying to get away this day is the 4th of october & I had a mes of string Beenes so Caled the Black Eyed Pea they grow 7 inches long I also found some Cotton growing & some was ripe & some was not so I thought I wold send you some of the cotton you will find the seed inside which is Black you can plant it in the spring earley it growes Just like our Buck wheat & Just as sprangley as wheat you might plant it in a box where the frost wont tuch it weehave had along spell of rainey weather North east storm the papers say that richmond is as good as taken Burney is on the east side Gen Grant on the south General Sher[i]dan & Gen Sherman on the west & our gun Boat fetching up the rear wee captured the Rebel Ram saturday their will be more Blood shed Before many dayes wee are fixing our Brest workes evry day expecting another Charge every day the rebs dont fire on us & wee dont fire on them But keep hard to work all the time the Boyes have toren down 3 howses & wold tore down another if the officers would let them Abby I sent you home one more ten dollar note in aletter to capt Boardman he sent me some postage stamps & one dolar in green Backs I rote for him to answer Back But I have not got any answer as yet wee have Been expecting to Be payed off But have not received any yet When wee do I shal send it home No more at present

Give my regards to all my enquireing Friends Tell Jane Simones that I have not heard from Horace But once since wee left South Carolinia Tell triphnia Brown that I have heard from William afew dayes ago Joseph is well Amos C Brewster is well & Charles Paul is well & Alfred Reynoles Horace freeman Wilce & john & charles hasard all of them is well & Armenas Dier is quite well for him from your ever trew & loveing Husband Joseph O cross Direct Mr Joseph O Cross Berneys Brigade Tenth Armeey Corps By Way fortres monroe Please to Give my love to frans and rest of the children

In a Civil War battle, skirmishing was an intensely personal kind of fighting, "more of a duel than a battle," a historian wrote a few years after the war ended: "Each man seems opposed to a single personal enemy; and these two aim and fire, deliberately and purposely, at each other; and they take a deeper interest in the result of the contest than when they are atoms in a huge mass."

First Sgt. Jacob F. Spencer of Clinton, Connecticut was part of a regiment, skirmishing with such personal enemies in a patch of woods in Virginia in October 1864, when he captured three South Carolina soldiers. One of the prisoners made the issue even more personal. He would never have surrendered, he said, if he had known Spencer was a "nigger."

But Spencer won a medal for the capture, pinned on him by Major Gen. Godfrey Weitzel, the white officer commanding the separate, but allegedly equal, army division reserved for black regiments.

Spencer's regiment was the 29th Connecticut, one of two raised in the state after the model of such successful black regiments as the 54th Massachusetts, featured in the movie "Glory."

William Buckingham put out a call in November 1863 for men of color to form regiments and hundreds signed up. Spencer enlist-ed as a private in New Haven three days before Christmas, listing his birthplace as Maryland and his most recent residence as Clinton. (There appears to be no record of his life in Clinton either before or after the war; he may have come from another state just to join up.) He gave his age as 23, his occupation as "laborer" and his marital status as single. He was 5 feet, 8 1/2 inches tall, eyes black, hair black. Under "complexion" the recruiting officer also filled in "black."

Spencer apparently made a good impression. A little over a week later, on New Years' Day, 1864, he was made first sergeant of Company D — the highest-ranking black officer in the 100-member company. Such companies, and the regiment they made up, were commanded by white captains and lieutenants. Reaching full strength in March, the regiment went into months of training in Maryland, followed by guard duty in a liberated part of South Carolina. It quickly became clear that, despite promises, black troops were not to get equal treatment.

In "Glory," the white colonel in command of the 54th Massachusetts tears up his own paycheck in solidarity with his troops when they discover they are not to be paid wages equal to white soldiers'. When the soldiers of the 29th Connecticut learned the same thing, they were told to be patient.

"I ... was really disgusted with this failure on the part of the Government to give us a decent compensation for our work as soldiers," wrote Alexander Newton, another soldier in the 29th. "The officers advised us to take it and assured us that at the next payment we should receive our full compensation." Whether or not they got it, records show that at the end of August 1864, when the 29th had already been in battle for two weeks near Petersburg, Virginia, its soldiers had not been paid since April 30.

That August, the Civil War had been dragging on for more than three years. The armies of Ulysses S. Grant and Robert E. Lee faced each other in a maze of earthworks around Petersburg, a railroad hub south of Richmond, the Confederate capital. It was a war of stalemate and attrition presaging the trench warfare of World War I.

If you're heading north on Washington Street in Hartford and stop at the stoplight at Capitol Avenue, you can see a relic of that

siege: Across the street is a strange, fat cannon, looking almost like a tipped iron cauldron, pointing above your head. This is one of the siege mortars that fired 13-inch-diameter iron shells from the Union lines 2 1/2 miles into the besieged city.

Arriving near Petersburg in mid-August, after four months of training and guard duty, part of the 29th went immediately into battle.

"I remember a twenty-pound cannon ball coming towards me, I could see it distinctly through the smoke," wrote Newton, who later became a minister. "It looked like it had been sent especially for me. I said quickly, 'Lord, you promised that a thousand should fall by my side but that it should not come nigh me.' It was quick praying, quick thinking, quick coming; but when the ball was within about three feet of me it struck the ground and bounded over my head."

The regiment took part in a number of minor skirmishes and reconnaissances over the next months, and in the assault on Fort Harrison near Richmond in September -- an engagement in which 14 African Americans, though none from the 29th, won medals of honor.

At the end of October the siege was in its fifth month, and Grant was ready to hunker down for the winter. But he thought he would try one more attack near Petersburg to capture a crucial railroad line. While he did this, the troops closest to Richmond — including the 29th Connecticut — would advance as a distraction.

On October 27, the soldiers of the 29th rose while it was still dark and marched for two hours, arriving at their position at 7 a.m. Their job was to skirmish with the farthest-forward Confederate pickets.

The 600 men of the 29th beat the pickets back, slowly advancing to the first line of Confederate earthworks, where a battery of cannon opened up on them. They killed the battery crew, and in the lull that followed called out to the rebels, "How about Fort Pillow?" — referring to a Confederate massacre of black prisoners in Tennessee — and "Look over here, Johnny, and see how niggers can shoot!"

At nightfall, their muskets fouled with powder residue, the 29th was still at the front. They were still there the next morning. "We held the pits for twenty-four hours," Newton wrote, "brought the rebels to their knees, brought down their flag and unfurled the Stars and Stripes to the breeze." Twelve members of the regiment had been killed and 69 wounded.

It was in this 24-hour engagement that Jacob Spencer had his moment. In a letter to the regimental headquarters the next day, Company D's captain, Frederick E. Camp of Middletown, wrote: "First Sergt. Jacob F. Spencer, of Company D, with the assistance of three men whom he called to his aid, captured 3 prisoners belonging to the Eleventh South Carolina Regiment."

A long winter of trench life followed, but in the spring the siege was broken. Two companies of the 29th were the first infantry units into Richmond after the Confederates abandoned it. A few days later, they saw the jubilation of Richmond's African Americans as President Lincoln visited the city. Then the war was over.

There were still hard times ahead for the 29th. The regiment was shipped to Texas to garrison a post there and found a land of fleas, mosquitoes, mud and disease. "It was a time of sore trials," wrote Newton. "One of our officers, Captain Clark, ought to have been with the Greys instead of the Blues, he had so little use for the Colored troops." He marched them "almost to death," and illness took men at the rate of 10 a day.

Finally, in the fall of 1865, the 29th Connecticut was mustered out of the service and returned to Hartford. There Buckingham, the governor, addressed them in what he must have thought were reassuring terms: "Although Connecticut now denies you privileges which it grants to others, for no other apparent reason than because God has made you to differ in complexion, yet justice will not always stand afar off. Be patient."

They had to exercise a lot of patience. Spencer may have gone back to Clinton, may have returned to Maryland or may have made his way West with so many other black ex-soldiers.

If he were still alive in 1910, he might have felt as Newton did in the war memoirs he published that year: "We are forced to conclude that no man is really free unless he holds in his bosom the right of franchise and has received the liberty to exercise that right. Have the ten millions of Afro-Americans in the United States that right today? The answer comes from many States, NO!"

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For further information about the 29th regiment check out these web sites:

<http://quicksitebuilder.cnet.com/mrben1>

www.itd.nps.gov/cwss/regiments.htm