

CONFEDERATE HOME OF MISSOURI REGISTRY CARD

Name Goffey, J. W.

Admitted July 1, 1929. Entered Home Aug. 25, 1929

Born Dec. 23, 1842 At Bowling Green, Ky.

From Houston, Mo.

Co. Co. E Reg. Bank Private

Died Dec. 12 1925 Expelled Withdrew

Notify Daughter Mrs. Fred Bezona
Sand Springs, Okla.

Place of Interment

Remarks

COFFEY, JAMES W.

*Admission Board 1/29/29
Reference - 4/19*

APPLICATION FOR ADMISSION

...TO THE...

CONFEDERATE SOLDIERS' HOME

AT HIGGINSVILLE, MISSOURI

—OFFICERS OF THE HOME—

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April 9th., 1929.

STATE OF MISSOURI }
County of } ss.

*Wightstill
~~Wight~~
is middle
Name*

I, J. W. Coffey

hereby apply for admission to the Confederate Soldiers' Home of Missouri. My full name is

James Waightstill Coffey

I was born on the 23rd day of December 1842

at Boling Green, Warren County, ~~Kentucky~~ Kentucky.

My present residence is Houston, Texas County, Missouri.

My postoffice address is Houston, Missouri.

County of Texas, State of Missouri. I have lived continuously in the State of Missouri for Fifty-Nine (59) years, immediately preceding this application.

I enlisted in the Confederate Army at the town of Company Shops, North Carolina

in the County of in the State of North Carolina.

in E. Company, 6NCOT Regiment, Brigade.

Isaac E. Avery was my Captain and Fisher my Colonel.

My rank was Private, promoted to Captain under General Ewell. Transferred to

1st. Manassa (Fall Run), Seven Pines; (Wounded); Camp Branch; (Slightly Wounded) Fredericksburg; Cedar Creek; Stone River; Kings Salt Works; Hollis Gap; Abbingdon Va.;

*35
42
93*

*1929
86
43*

If ever wounded, state when and where and the nature of the wound **Battle of Seven Pines; ...**
1861; Shot thru elbow; End. Wound at Camp Branch; 1861; Shot thru Right
Wrist, Battle of Fredericksburg; 1862. Shot in Right Thumb. Split over Right
eye with saber. Cut on back of Right arm at juncture with shoulder, saber
marke (2) on Right thigh.

If ever captured, state when and where **No.**

If ever in prison, state when and where **Never.**

State when paroled or discharged **XXXXXX**

State why paroled or discharged **XXXXXX**

If not paroled or discharged, how did you leave the Confederate Army? **Disbanded by Federal Authority.**

I also apply for admission for my wife, whose full name is
who was born on the _____ day of _____, 18____
at _____
and to whom I was married on the _____ day of _____, 18____

I further state that I was not a substitute. That I served honorably during the war in said army (or navy) and was true and loyal to the Confederacy to the end of the war; and that I have borne a good character ever since. That I am **Eighty-Six (86)** years of age. That I am ~~unmarried~~ **unmarried.**

That I am of **Ruddy** complexion, **5 Ft. 9 In.** feet in height. That my nearest relative is **Mrs. Fred Bezoni; Mrs. O. D. Pinkston; & Mrs. Cole Stevens (daughters) Sand Springs, Okla., Reward, California & Reward, California** whose postoffice address is **Respectively.**

That because of **Old age and ill health and no capital**

I am unable to provide for and support myself (~~and that she is unable to support herself~~) and therefore make this application. That I am a person of sobriety, good habits, and of sound mind, and if admitted to the Home, I agree to abide by and obey all rules and regulations made by the proper authorities of the Home for its government, and I will perform all the duties required of me, and obey all lawful orders of the officers of the Home, and I sign this application with full knowledge that my violation of the rules, or disrespectful language or conduct to the officers of the Home will subject me to punishment or dismissal at the discretion of the Board of Managers.

WITNESS my signature this 9th day of April, 1929

(Applicant sign) J. W. Coffey His mark
By [Signature]
(Postoffice) Houston, Missouri

STATE OF Oklahoma
Missouri,
County of Tulsa as.

On this day personally appeared before me J. W. Coffey

who, being duly sworn upon his oath, says that the matters and facts stated in the foregoing application are true to the best of his knowledge and belief.

Witness my signature and official seal this 9th day of April, 1929
B. M. Bringer, Notary Public.

(My commission expires Aug. 16, 1931)

CERTIFICATE OF WITNESSES

Fred Bezoni
being duly sworn says that he knows the within named applicant and has known him for 47 years.

That he is confident that he served honorably in E Company, 6 N.C. S. I. Regiment, Brigade, C. S. A. and that the statements contained in his application are worthy of belief.

The said Fred Bezoni for himself further affirms that he is 67 years old, being born on the 9th day of February, 1861.

(Witness sign here)

Fred Bezoni
Subscribed and sworn to before me this 16th day of April, 1929.

Ellen Coffman
being duly sworn says that he knows the within named applicant and has known him for 55 years.

That ~~he~~ ^{she} is confident that he served honorably in E Company, 6 N.C. S. I. Regiment, Brigade, C. S. A. and that the statements contained in his application are worthy of belief.

The said Ellen Coffman for himself further affirms that he is 61 years old, being born on the January day of 21st, 1868.

(Witness sign here)

Ellen Coffman
Subscribed and sworn to before me this 16th day of April, 1929.

Application For Admission

TO THE

Confederate Home of Missouri

NAME OF APPLICANT

J. W. Coffey
Residence *Higginsville, Mo.*

Died *Dec. 3* 1865

Buried at *Confederate Home*

Withdrew 19

Expelled 19

PRESIDENT'S ENDORSEMENT

The within application is approved

W. L. Higginsville
President

July 1st 1919

Admitted *July 25* 1919

W. L. Higginsville
President

*on medical records
to be
admission
Done in Dept*

CERTIFICATE OF COUNTY JUDGE OR MAYOR

STATE OF MISSOURI,) ss.
County of *Texas*

This is to certify that I have examined into the statements contained in the foregoing application of *J. W. Coffey* and am satisfied from the evidence adduced before me that he served honorably in the Confederate Army (or navy) and was loyal to the government of the Confederate States to the end of the war; and that he has borne a good character ever since, and that his present condition is such that he is unable to provide for himself (and wife) unaided. Transportation to Higginsville, Missouri, will be furnished.

~~(Given under my hand as Judge, recorder of the County Court of Texas County, Mo.~~
this *27th* day of *April* 19*19*

John S. Stiles
Judge or Mayor

STATE OF OKLAHOMA,) ss
COUNTY OF TULSA
CERTIFICATE OF PHYSICIAN

I, *C. E. Calhoun* certify that I have known applicant (name) *J. W. Coffey* for *one* years and that he is of sound mind, not an habitual drunkard, nor is he afflicted with any cancerous affections or contagious disease, nor has he ever been an inmate of any insane asylum. Before me *B. M. Risinger* a Notary Public of Sand Springs, Tulsa Co., Oklahoma, personally appeared *C. E. Calhoun* practicing physician of above mentioned City and acknowledged that he signed the above certificate *and that the commission of said certificate expires Aug. 16, 1931.*

B. M. Risinger
Notary Public

Note—Application will not be considered until this affidavit is executed in full

Confederate Home of Missouri
Higginsville, Missouri

AFFIDAVIT OF APPLICANT

J. W. Coffey, and being first duly sworn, says that

his financial condition is as follows:
~~that~~

I am at this time possessed of the following Real Estate and no other:
~~that~~ 1/2 Acre in Houston, Texas County, Missouri.

which is mortgaged as follows: (Give full detail describing notes in full)
\$ 459.00 to the following \$ 100.00 to Dr. Blankenship, Houston, Mo.
\$ 109.00 to Judge Barton, Houston, Mo. \$250.00 to Covert, Hiatt & Lamsar,
Houston, Mo.

I have the following personal property and no other: (Include cash and money in bank, and notes receivable.)
None.

And I further affirm or swear that I have not withheld any information as to my financial condition at this time and that I have not within the past year disposed of any property, real or personal, including money to any of my relatives, or any other person except as follows:
(Here give full detail of any transaction by which you have lost or disposed of money or property during the past 12 months.)

J. W. Coffey His mark
Wm. Jennings

State of ~~Missouri~~ Oklahoma,
County of Tulsa, } ss.

On this 9th day of April 1929 before me appeared J. W. Coffey and his wife, to be personally known to be sound minded, who being duly sworn, did say that the above statements are true and that they are all of the truth with reference to financial affairs of applicant or affiants, covering the period of the past 12 months.

My Commission expires August 15th., 1931 Notary Public in and for said County and State.

HIBBT, LAMAR & COVERT
ATTORNEYS AT LAW
BANK OF HOUSTON BUILDING
HOUSTON, MO.

W. L. HIBBT
MRS. LAMAR
C. E. COVERT

April 27, 1929.

File
5-1-29

Confederate Soldiers' Home,
Higgenville, Missouri.

In Re: Application of J. W. Coffey.

Gentlemen:

Enclosed herewith please find application of J. W. Coffey for admission to the home executed. If there is anything further required please advise us and if possible we will attend to supplying it. Mr. Coffey is at present visiting with a relative at Sand Springs, Oklahoma but his home is here. The half acre of real estate which he describes in his application is situated within one block of this office. It is on a back street and is not in a desirable location. In our opinion it is not worth the amount of the mortgages against it. It has a small dwelling house situated thereon, but it is in very bad repair and the porches are rotten, the windows are broken and is in a generally run down condition.

As soon as this application has been passed on, kindly notify us and we will notify Mr. Coffey.

Yours very truly,

HIBBT, LAMAR & COVERT.

By *[Signature]*

KL:EM

WAR DEPARTMENT
THE ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE

WASHINGTON

IN REPLY
REFER TO
ORD
Jame

May 7, 1929.

Respectfully returned to

Superintendent,
Confederate Home of Missouri,
Higginsville, Missouri.

The name James Waightville Coffey has not been found on the rolls on file in this office of Company E, 6th Regiment North Carolina Infantry, Confederate States Army, which rolls cover the period from June 20, 1861, to December 31, 1864. One Joseph W. Coffey served in that company.

Isaac E. Avery was a Captain in Company E, and Charles F. Fisher was a Colonel in the above mentioned regiment.

It is deemed proper to remark, however, that the collection of Confederate States Army records on file in the War Department is far from complete, and the failure to find the name of any person thereon is by no means conclusive evidence that such person did not serve at some period not covered by the records on file in this office.

The 1st Mannassa, Morgan's Command, has not been identified.

C. H. Bridger
Major General
The Adjutant General.
By *O. S.*

May 10, 1929.

Messrs. Hyatt, Lamer & Covert,
Houston, Mo.,

Dear Sirs:

We are in receipt of advise from the War Department which states that the name James W. Coffey has not been found on the rolls of Company E, 6th N. Cal. Infantry, and that these rolls are from June 20th, 1861 to December 1st, 1864.

That record also shows Capt. Isaac E. Avery and Col. Chas S. Fisher in command.

One Joseph W. Coffey served in that Company, but it does not seem likely that our Mr. Coffey would not know his own name.

May I suggest that you get in touch with your client and see what explanation he may make of this seeming contradiction of his claim, so that we may present it to the Board of Trustees together with this record, and his application when they meet June 1st.

Yours very truly,

Superintendent.

FHC*P

HIRT, LAMAR & COVERT
ATTORNEYS AT LAW
BANK OF HOUSTON BUILDING
HOUSTON, MO.

W. L. HIRT
HURRY LAMAR
C. E. COVERT

June 25, 1929.

Confederate Home of Missouri,
Higgensville, Missouri.

In Re: Application of James W. Coffey.

Gentlemen:

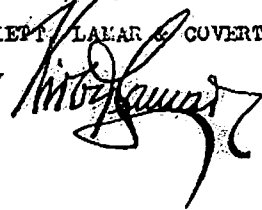
Enclosed herewith please find an affidavit of James W. Coffey identifying himself with the name Joseph W. Coffey as appears in the war records mentioned in your former letter.

We hope this affidavit will be duly considered at the next meeting of the board, and if this evidence does not seem sufficient, we would respectfully ask that the matter be continued further in order that Mr. Coffey may be given an opportunity to furnish further evidence of his identity.

Yours truly,

HIRT, LAMAR & COVERT.

By



KL:EM

A F F I D A V I T

STATE OF OKLAHOMA,)
COUNTY OF TULSA,)

I, James W. Coffey upon my oath state and depose that my name given at my birth was Joseph W. Coffey; that I enlisted in Company E. 6th. N. Car. Infantry in April 1861 under the name of Joseph W. Coffey and carried the name of Joseph until the fall of 1862, when it appeared to be dangerous for Joseph W. Coffey on account of his activities against the union forces, the activities being those of a scout such as burning bridges and such work in the rear of the enemy lines as would harass them as much as possible. In the fall of 1862, I assumed the name of ^{James} ~~Joseph~~ W. Coffey under which name I have lived since that date; that I am the Joseph W. ~~Ex~~ Coffey whose record was reported to the Confederate Home.
Further affiant saith not.

James W. Coffey
Affiant. *by B. M. Pringer*

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 31st. day of May
1929.

B. M. Pringer
Notary Public

My commission expires August 16th., 1931.

Higginsville, Missouri.

To Whom It May Concern:

I have this 2nd. day of January A.D. 1936 mailed the following personal belongings of J.W. Coffey, deceased, to F.W. Bezoni, located at Sand Springs, Oklahoma.

I watch, \$2.35 in cash.

W. M. Kirby
Assistant Superintendent.