James H. Courtney, Private, Co. E, 1st MO Cavalry, C.S.

1842 (abt.) James H. Courtney was born to Absalom and Catharine Courtney in Missouri.

1850 November 8: The U.S. Federal Census enumerated in Buchanan County, MO showed 8-year-old James living with his parents and siblings. His father, Absalom, was a farmer.

1852 (abt.) James’ mother Catharine Courtney died.

1860 September 20: The U.S. Federal Census enumerated in Buchanan County, MO showed 18-year-old James living with his widowed father and siblings. His father, Absalom, was a farmer.

1861 April 18: James father, Absalom, remarried. His second wife was named Felicity Hill.

December 19: James H. Courtney enlisted in the C.S. Army in St. Clair County, Missouri

1862 January 16: James mustered in as a Private to Company E, Gates’ Regiment, 1 Cavalry Missouri at Camp Price


May to December: Company Muster Roll. Present.

1863 January & February: Company Muster Roll. Present. Remarks “sworn in for war”

March to June: Company Muster Roll. Absent. Remarks “Sick”

July to December: Company Muster Roll. Present.

1864 January to April: Company Muster Roll. Present.

May & June: Company Muster Roll. Absent. Remarks “Sick.” In June James spends some time in Madison Hospital in Montgomery, Alabama.


November 30: James H. Courtney was killed in the Battle of Franklin

1866 James H. Courtney was permanently buried in the McGavock Confederate Cemetery, Section 10, Grave 46.