Goah W. Stewart, Captain, Co. K 1st Missouri Confederate

1840  Stewart was born in Missouri.

1860  August 2: The United States Federal Census enumerated in Pemiscot County, MO showed 20 year old Goah, living with his father and siblings.

1861  June 22: Enlisted in the Confederate Army in Memphis, Tennessee.

1862  May 26: Promoted to 1st Lieutenant at the re-organization.


May & June: Company Muster Roll. Present.


September & October: Company Muster Roll. Absent. Remarks “Absent on furlough.”

November 22: Captured by US army in New Madrid County, Missouri. He was taken to Gratiot Street Prison, St. Louis, Missouri.

November & December: Company Muster Roll. Absent. Remarks “Received furlough 24 July 1863 & has not reported back had information he is in Mo.”

1864  January & February: Company Muster Roll. Absent. Remarks “Received furlough 24 July 1863 & has not reported back had information he is in Mo.”

August 26: Promoted to Captain.

November 30: Wounded at the Battle of Franklin.

December 17: Captured in Franklin, Tennessee during the Confederate retreat from Nashville.

December 27: Snippets from a letter written by Captain Stewart to his sister from Franklin, Tennessee.

“Dear Sister Sallie,

...I was wounded on the 30th of Nov. in a fight at this place. I am at Dr. Waldridge’s. Also Lieut. Foote, who is badly wounded in the right side. I have no
language to express the thankfulness I feel for the kindness we have received from the young ladies and Dr. Waldridge and wife. They have taken us from the hospital and given us a nice room in his house. They are moving the wounded to Nashville. We will be removed as soon as we are able to Nashville. And from there to prison.

...I lost 4 men killed and 6 wounded in my Company in the fight at this place. Newton and Thomas was wounded, they are getting well. Col. Garland and Capt. Woodrich was killed.

...I am wounded in both thighs, the ball passing thence and missed the bones.”


January 23: Forwarded to Louisville, Kentucky. Then he was immediately forwarded from Louisville to Fort Delaware 2 days later.


1870 An undated United States Federal Census taken in Butler, Pemiscot County, Missouri shows Goah, a farmer and merchant, living with his wife Cynthia and their children: Carrie, 6 and Burr, 3.

1872 October 18: Appointed US Postmaster in Stewart, Pemiscot County, Missouri.

1879 January 17: Goah Stewart died.