Henry Clay Shaw, Sergeant, Co. K, 33rd MS Infantry, C.S.

1844  Shaw was born in Amite County, MS to Richard and Mary Shaw. His parents had at least 6 sons: Horatio, George, Henry, William, John and Richard.

1850  October 28: The U.S. Federal Census enumerated in Amite County, MS showed 6 year old Henry living with his parents and siblings. His father, Richard, was a farmer and owned 3 slaves.

1860  July 2: The U.S. Federal Census enumerated in Liberty, Amite County, MS showed 16 year old Henry living with his parents and 3 brothers: William, John and Richard. His father was a planter and owned 9 slaves.

1861  November 14: Older brother, William Shaw, enlisted in the C.S Army in Liberty, Amite County, MS. He was mustered into Co. K 44th MS Infantry.

1862  March 10: Enlisted in the C.S. Army in Amite County, MS.

March 10 – August 31: Company Muster Roll. Present. Remarks “Private appointed 2 Sgt 12 May.”

June 10: Brother William died in Macon, MS of disease.

November & December: Company Muster Roll. Present.

1863  March & April: Company Muster Roll. Present.

May & June: Company Muster Roll. Present. Remarks “appointed 1st from 2nd sgt Feb 1, 1863”

July to December: Company Muster Rolls. Present.

1864  March & April: Company Muster Roll. Present.

May 3: Brother, John, enlisted in the C.S Army in Monticello, MS. He was mustered into Co. K 33rd MS Infantry with his brother.


November 30: Killed in action at the Battle of Franklin.

"The color-bearer of the Thirty-third was killed some fifteen paces from the works, when Lieutenant H.C. Shaw, of Company K, carried them forward, and when in the act of planting them on the works was killed, his body falling in the trench, the colors falling in the works.” Brig. Gen. Featherston

***Henry’s brother John was wounded at either the Battle of Franklin, or Nashville. Records reported him being wounded and in a hospital in Meredian, MS in January of 65.***

Henry C. Shaw was buried at the McGavock Confederate Cemetery, Section 25: Grave 46.