Zimri Carter, Sergeant, Co. E, 16th South Carolina Infantry, Confederate

1838 April 16: Carter was born in South Carolina to Thomas and Eleanor Carter.

1850 November 22: The U.S. Federal Census enumerated in Laurens, Laurens County, South Carolina showed 12-year-old Zimri living with his parents and siblings. His father, Thomas, was a farmer and owned 9 slaves.

1860 June 22: The U.S. Federal Census enumerated in Tumbling Shoals, Laurens County, South Carolina showed 22-year-old Zimri living with his parents and siblings. His father Thomas was a farmer and owned 10 slaves.

1861 November 27: Enlisted in the C.S. Army. He mustered into Co. E of the 16th SC Infantry.

1862 May to December: Company Muster Rolls. Present

1863 January to June: Company Muster Rolls. Present.

   July & August: Company Muster roll. Absent.
   September & October: Company Muster Roll. Present

1864 January & February: Company Muster Roll. Absent. Remarks “absent on furlough from 31 day Jan 1864 to the 9 March 1864.”

   July & August: Company Muster Roll. Absent. Remarks “absent sick by authority of surgeon since July 22, 1864”

   November 30: Wounded while fighting in the Battle of Franklin. “Diagnosis: simple fl. wd. of Lt. Thigh upper 3”

   December 17: Captured in Franklin, Tennessee.

   Dec 26: Admitted to No. 1 U.S.A. General Hospital, Nashville, TN

1865 Jan 5: Received in Louisville, Kentucky from Nashville. From there he was forwarded onto Camp Chase in Ohio. He ultimately ended up at Point Lookout, Maryland.

   June 5: Released from Point Lookout, Maryland

1866 (abt) Married Adeline Riley.
August 11: The U.S. Federal Census enumerated in Laurens, Laurens County, South Carolina showed Zimri, a farmer, and Adeline living with their two young children.

June 9: The U.S. Federal Census enumerated in Sullivan, Laurens County, South Carolina showed Zimri, a farmer, and Addie living with their 4 young children: Ella, Suda, Tommy and Telulah.

May 4:

We were pleased to see our friend, Mr. Zimri Carter, of Princeton, on our streets last Saturday. It always makes us feel good to greet him, as he is always jolly and pleasant. He is an enthusiastic advocate of the new county.

(The first misslick Zimri Carter, our lifetime friend, ever made in his long pilgrimage. Nobody to look at him would suspect three score and ten.)—EDITOR ADVERTISER.

June 15: The U.S. Federal Census enumerated in Sullivan, Laurens County, South Carolina showed Zimri, a farmer, and Addie living with two of their adult children: Lillie and Maggie.

June 18: Zimri Carter died. He was buried at the Carter Family Cemetery in Laurens County, South Carolina.

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1 The Laurens Advertiser, Laurens, SC, Tuesday 4 May 1897, pg. 3

Mr. Zimri Carter Dead.

After a lingering illness, covering a period of several years, Mr. Zimri Carter, a well known citizen of the county, died at his home near Princeton, Saturday, June 17th. The burial services took place Sunday afternoon from the Carter cemetery.

The deceased was about 62 years old. He was a genial, big-hearted friend and citizen and up to a few years ago he probably never knew what a day's sickness was. He made himself friendly and everybody was his friend.

His wife, who was Miss Addie Riley and five children survives. The children are Mrs. Thomas Campbell, formerly of Cross Hill, now of Anderson, Mrs. H. L. Machen of Honea Path, Mr. Thomas Carter, Miss Lillie Carter and Mrs. Martin Arnold of Princeton.

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We were so sorry to hear of the death of Mr Zimri Carter, of Princeton. He was a gallant ex-confederate, an ardent patriot, a progressive citizen, a hospitable gentleman, warm hearted friend, affectionate husband and brother, and we tenderly sympathize with the bereaved family.

***Zimri was active in politics. He was a democrat.

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2 The Laurens Advertiser, Laurens, SC, Wednesday 21 Jun 1905, pg. 1
3 The Evening Index, Greenwood, SC, Thursday, 22 Jun 1905, pg. 3