

To all whom it may Concern:



Paid July 5th 1865  
 The month extra pay from  
 Know ye  
 Company of  
 24th

Know ye, That 1<sup>st</sup> Lieut James M. Hamilton  
 of Captain  
 Company (A,) 85<sup>th</sup> Regiment of Illinois Infantry  
 VOLUNTEERS, who was enrolled on the 1<sup>st</sup> day of January  
 one thousand eight hundred and sixty four to serve three years or  
 during the war, is hereby Discharged from the service of the United States  
 this Fifth 5<sup>th</sup> day of June, 1865, at Washington  
 D.C. by reason of War Dept order May 18<sup>th</sup> 1865  
 (No objection to his being re-enlisted is known to exist.)

Said James M. Hamilton was born in Morgan County  
 in the State of Illinois, is 28 years of age,  
 6 feet — inches high, dark complexion, blue eyes,  
 black hair, and by occupation, when enrolled, a Farmer

Given at Washington D.C. this Fifth 5<sup>th</sup> day of  
 June 1865

George J. Perry  
 Major 25<sup>th</sup> Regt Ia  
 Commanding the Regt.  
 Nov 20 1865

This sentence will be erased should there be anything  
 in the conduct or physical condition of the soldier  
 rendering him unfit for the Army.

[A. G. O., No. 59.]

Just  
 Lt Col Comd  
 85<sup>th</sup> Regt Ia

OATH OF ALLEGIANCE.

I, James M Hamilton do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I have never voluntarily borne arms against the United States since I have been a citizen thereof; that I have voluntarily given no aid, countenance, counsel, or encouragement to persons engaged in armed hostility thereto; that I have neither sought nor accepted nor attempted to exercise the functions of any office whatever under any authority or pretended authority in hostility to the United States; that I have not yielded a voluntary support to any pretended government, authority, power, or constitution within the United States, hostile or inimical thereto. And I do further swear (or affirm) that, to the best of my knowledge and ability, I will support and defend the Constitution of the United States against all enemies, foreign and domestic; that I will bear true faith and allegiance to the same; that I take this obligation freely, without any mental reservation or purpose of evasion; and that I will well and faithfully discharge the duties of the office on which I am about to enter, so help me God.

Subscribed and Sworn at Providence Va

On this 16th day of March 1864

Before me.

James M Hamilton  
1st Lt Col 85th Ills Regt

W. B. Lee  
Capt 9th Ind Infantry  
Assistant Commissary of Musters.

2d Div 14th Ills

MEMORANDUM FROM PRISONER OF WAR RECORDS. No. \_\_\_\_\_

(This blank to be used only in the arrangement of said records.)

NAME.	RANK.	ORGANIZATION.			INFORMATION OBTAINED FROM—						
		No. of Reg't.	State.	Arm of Service.	Co.	Records of—	Vol.	Page.	Vol.	Page.	
<i>Hamilton S. M.</i>	<i>1st Lt</i>	<i>85</i>	<i>Mo.</i>	<i>S.</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>O.R. Co.</i>	<i>7</i>				

Captured at *Peach Tree Creek* Nov 17, July, 1864, confined at Richmond, Va., \_\_\_\_\_, 186

Admitted to Hospital at \_\_\_\_\_, 186  
 where he died \_\_\_\_\_, 186  
 Paroled at *Knights Ready Ga.* Sept. 28, 1864; reported at Camp Parole, Md., \_\_\_\_\_, 186

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