

SERGEANT EDWARD J. WENTWORTH

He was born in Madison County, New York in 1837. He moved with his parents to the small frontier town of Dowagaic, Cooper Township, Michigan. Near Franklin, TN, the ground at Thompson's Station shook and changed hands several times, and they were doing well until they began running out of ammunition. The next thing he knew, he was bandaged and on a train headed for Richmond, VA, by way of Chattanooga. He was getting worse on the train and they off loaded him in Chattanooga and sent him to Academy Hospital, over by the river. They treated his wounds, but they were too grave for recovery. The Confederate organization even discharged him and paroled him on the 22nd of March so that he could travel back to federal lines. But being too weak, he died on April 4, 1863. He was buried in the Chattanooga Confederate Cemetery, and his name is misspelled on his tombstone. You know, you will not find any Confederates in the Federal Cemetery.


