MARTIN MONROE FRY

Born August 19, 1844 in Lynnville, TN, about 30 miles south of Columbia, TN.

When 16 years old, enlisted in Company B of the Third Tennessee Infantry Regiment, organized at Lynnville on May 16, 1861. They first traveled to Springfield, TN. Then were sent to Camp Trousdale, Summer County, to receive training. First sent up to Bowling Green, Kentucky, but didn't get into a battle there.

He fought in the following battles: Shiloh, TN, in April of 1862 where he was slightly wounded. Then the Battle of Corinth, Mississippi. Then at luka, Holly Springs, and Grenada - all in Mississippi. Then he fought at Chickamauga, GA and all through the Atlanta Campaign from Dalton to Atlanta. Fry was wounded again at Varnell Station, Georgia. He also fought in the Battle of Spring Hill, Tennessee.

After his regiment surrendered and was paroled, he was on his way home in June of 1865 when arrested by Union troops and put into prison at Pulaski, TN, only 30 miles from home. He was accused of burning a bridge and killing a man. I don't know if he did it or didn't do it. But, he was held under sentence of death for 4 months until then President of the United States Andy Johnson, a Tennessean, pardoned him in October of 1865.

After the war, he lived over in the rural countryside of Alton Park, and worked as a contractor. He did a little farming, too.

