

OCCGS Civil War Project Template

Veteran's Information

Veteran's Name: Thomas J. ECHOLS

Birth Date: 3 September 1851

Location: Alabama

Death Date: 7 September 1918

Location: Santa Ana, CA

Buried at: Santa Ana Cemetery

Plot Location: M-10-1-10

GPS Coordinates: N33° 46' 05.32097" W117° 50' 26.34527"

(DMS) Datum: NAD83. Coordinates are +/- 1.00 feet of the grave location



Side Served: Confederacy

Rank: Private

Company: D

Unit: 34TH INFANTRY

State: ALABAMA

Occupation: Carpenter

Family Information

Parents –

Father: Isaac Newton Echols

Birth Date/Location: 1821, Habersham County, Georgia

Death Date/Location: 10 April 1899, Jefferson County, Alabama

Mother: Martha J. Goolsby

Birth Date/Location: 1828, Georgia

Death Date/Location: ABT1860, Alabama

Spouse: Ella Ann Powell

Birth Date / Location: 29 August 1858, Mississippi

Death Date/Location: 12 March 1941, Santa Ana, Orange County, California

Marriage Date / Location: 1878, Mississippi

Children –

Name: Guy Echols

Birth Date / Location: October 7, 1879, Pontotoc County, Mississippi

Death Date / Location: 1899, Enlsey, Jefferson County, Alabama

Name: Willie Echols (Isenberg)

Birth Date / Location: 19 December 1881, Mississippi

Death Date / Location: 1917, Orange County, California

Name: Newton Sydney Echols

Birth Date / Location: September 1883

Death Date / Location: 24 August 1884, Milam County, Texas

Name: Bruce Edward Echols

Birth Date / Location: July 4, 1885, Rockdale, Milam County, Texas

Death Date / Location: August 25, 1964, Orange County, California

World War I Draft Registration, California

Name: Walter Echols

Birth Date / Location: February 1888

Death Date / Location: 1906, Tyler, Smith County, Texas

Name: Gertrude Echols (Salkeld)

Birth Date / Location: 26 February 1892, Paris, Lamar County, Texas

Death Date / Location: 19 January 1972, Hemet, Riverside County, California

Name: Victor Eugene Echols

Birth Date / Location: 10 February 1897, Nelson, Choctaw County, Oklahoma

Death Date / Location: 19 January 1952, Santa Ana, Orange County, California

World War I Draft Registration, Oklahoma

Name: Ray Compton Echols

Birth Date / Location: 18 March 1901, Indian City, Payne County, Oklahoma

Death Date / Location: 13 July 1974, Santa Ana, Orange County, California

World War I Draft Registration, California

Additional Information

Records indicate his name was both Thomas James and James Thomas and state of birth Alabama and Georgia

Lt Col James W. Echols was in command of Co D 34th Alabama Infantry. James W. Echols could be the half brother of Isaac N. Echols, Thomas J. Echols father.

U.S. Civil War Soldier Records

Name: Thomas J. Echols

Side: Confederate, 34th Regiment Alabama Infantry

Company: D,G

Rank In: Private

Rank Out: Private

Received Southern Cross – date unknown

Sources

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- Memorial #85327368, Created by: David Woody, Record for Gertrude (Echols) Salkeld
- Memorial 58985132, Created by Tony & Cindy Lloyd, Record for Willie Isenberg

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- Record for Bruce Echols, mother's maiden name Powell
- Record for Victor Echols, mother' maiden name Powell
- Record for Ray C Echols

Footnotes

1 Photograph of tombstone for Thomas Echols, Santa Ana Cemetery, Orange County, California taken by Charles Lewis Beal, 2/26/2007. Retrieved 27 December 2012, from Findagrave.com. Used with the permission of Charles Beal.