

## **Robert Hornback**

**Enlisted as a 1st Sergeant on 18 August 1862.**

**Enlisted in Company K, 114th Regiment Illinois on 18  
Sep 1862.**

**Promoted to Full Captain on 8 Aug 1863.**

**Mustered out Company K, 114th Infantry Regiment  
Illinois**

**on 3 Aug 1865 at Vicksburg, MS**



## History of the 114<sup>th</sup> Infantry Regiment Illinois Volunteers

The One Hundred and Fourteenth Illinois Infantry was organized at Camp Butler, Illinois and was mustered into Federal service on September 18, 1862. Eight hundred and ninety-five officers and enlisted men from Cass, Menard, and Sangamon counties were accepted into service with the unit.

Less than two months later, on November 8, 1862, the unit embarked for Memphis, Tennessee, for active service. The Regiment joined the First Division of the 15<sup>th</sup> Army Corps under Generals Grant and Sherman and subsequently saw action throughout the South.

During its term of service, the 114<sup>th</sup> Infantry Regiment Illinois Volunteers participated in more than 35 various skirmishes, engagements, and battles including the siege of Vicksburg. The Regiment was mustered out of the United States Service on August 3, 1865. It arrived back at Camp Butler, Illinois, on August 7, receiving final payment and discharge on August 15.

1865.

The 114<sup>th</sup> Infantry Regiment served (like all the other federal forces) for the preservation of the Union. Unlike the other regiments which passed into history and out of existence, the 114<sup>th</sup> has been reactivated for a new purpose. Now the 114<sup>th</sup> serves not as a fighting unit, but as a patriotic organization, serving this country, state, county and city to honor those men who gave their lives to maintain the land of the free and home of the brave.

Since 1969, the 114<sup>th</sup> Infantry Regiment Illinois Volunteers has been a living symbol of the Civil War heritage of the State of Illinois.



## *Company "K" 114th Illinois Infantry*

Name	Rank	Residence	Date of Muster	Remarks
ALLEN, William J	Private	Menard Co	Sep 18, 1862	MO July 17, 1865; was pris.
BAISTER, Henry	Private	Menard Co	Sep 18, 1862	Mustered out Aug 3, 1865
BECKMAN, Henry	Private	Menard Co	Sep 18, 1862	MO to date May 30, 1865; was prisoner
BELA, Paul	Private	Menard Co	Sep 18, 1862	Mustered out May 15, 1865
BELL, Thomas	Private	Menard Co	Sep 18, 1862	—
BOOTH, Edward	Private	Petersburg	Sep 18, 1862	Mustered out May 18, 1865
BRACKEN, James	Private	Menard Co	Sep 18, 1862	Mustered out May 18, 1865
BRACKEN, James A	Private	Menard Co	Sep 18, 1862	Mustered out Aug 3, 1865
BRACKEN, William	Private	Menard Co	Sep 18, 1862	Discharged Jun 28, 1865
BRADLEY, King H	Private	Menard Co	Sep 18, 1862	Disch, Apr 3, 1865; disabl.
BULL, John	Private	Menard Co	Sep 18, 1862	Mustered out Aug 3, 1865
CHARLE, John	Private	Menard Co	Sep 18, 1862	Deserted July 1, 1863
CLOSNER, Charles C	Private	Menard Co	Sep 18, 1862	Mustered out Aug 3, 1865
COLEMAN, Thomas (1st)	Private	Menard Co	Sep 18, 1862	Deserted Mar 14, 1863
COLEMAN, Thomas (2d)	Private	Menard Co	Sep 18, 1862	Deserted Jan 13, 1863
DAWSON, Thomas J	Private	Menard Co	Sep 18, 1862	Mustered out Aug 3, 1865
DENION, Joseph	Private	Menard Co	Sep 18, 1862	Killed at Jackson, Miss., May 14, 1863
DENION, William J	Corporal	Menard Co	Sep 18, 1862	Died in Menard Co., Ill., Nov 6, 1862
DONALDSON,	Recruit	—	---	Tr. to Inv. Corps, Sep 1,

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DONNER, George W	Private	Menard Co	Oct 9, 1862	Mustered out Aug 3, 1865
DOUGLASS, William	Private	Menard Co	Sep 18, 1862	MO Aug 3, 1865 as Corp'l.
ESTILL, David F	Sergeant	Menard Co	Sep 18, 1862	Died at Camp Sherman, Miss., Aug 31, 1863
ESTILL, Isaac T	Private	Menard Co	Sep 18, 1862	Corp'l. Died Nov 9, 1864
ESTILL, John H	Private	Menard Co	Sep 18, 1862	Mustered out Aug 3, 1865
ESTILL, Samuel	Captain	Menard Co	Sep 18, 1862	Resigned Aug 6, 1863
FASS, Claus B	Private	Menard Co	Sep 18, 1862	MO Aug 3, 1865 as 1st Serg.
FISH, Ezra	1st Lt.	--	Apr 2, 1864	Resigned Oct 27, 1864
FISHBACH, William	Private	Menard Co	Sep 18, 1862	Was prisoner. Died at Annapolis, Md., Dec 30, 1864
FISKE, Barnard	Private	Menard Co	Sep 18, 1862	Mustered out Aug 3, 1865
GERYTS, Gert	Private	Menard Co	Sep 18, 1862	Deserted Nov 6, 1862
GRANT, William A	Private	Menard Co	Sep 18, 1862	Mustered out Aug 3, 1865
GUNN, Montgomery	Private	Menard Co	Sep 18, 1862	Mustered out Aug 3, 1865
HARMS, John	Private	Menard Co	Sep 18, 1862	Tr. to Inv. Corps, Sep 1, 1863
HART, John M	Private	Menard Co	Sep 18, 1862	Serg't. Died Aug 9, 1864; wounds
HENSHEE, Julius	Private	Menard Co	Sep 18, 1862	Mustered out Aug 3, 1865
HICKS, George W	Private	Menard Co	Sep 18, 1862	Disch, Oct 27, 1865, as 1st Sgt; disability
HORNBACK, Robert	Captain	Menard Co	Dec 22, 1863	Mustered out Aug 3, 1865
HORNBACK, Robert	1st Serg.	Menard Co	Sep 18, 1862	Promoted Captain [Aug 8, 1863]
HUGHES, Logan	Private	Menard Co	Sep 18, 1862	Disch, Jan 19, 1863; disabil.


HUGHS, William	Private	Menard Co	Sep 18, 1862	Disch, Dec 23, 1862; disabil.
JOHNSON, William	Private	Menard Co	Sep 18, 1862	Died, Mason, Ill., Nov 29, 1864
KEARNS, Thomas	Private	Menard Co	Sep 18, 1862	Mustered out Aug 3, 1865
KILLION, Michael	Private	Menard Co	Sep 18, 1862	Mustered out Aug 3, 1865
KNOLES, Henson	Sergeant	Menard Co	Sep 18, 1862	MO to date May 25, 1865
KNOLES, Jacob	Private	Menard Co	Sep 18, 1862	Mustered out Aug 3, 1865
KNOLES, Jesse	Corporal	Menard Co	Sep 18, 1862	Disch, Oct 9, 1864; wounds
KNOLES, Marion	Corporal	Menard Co	Sep 18, 1862	Mustered out Aug 3, 1865
KNOLES, Samuel S	Private	Menard Co	Sep 18, 1862	MO to date May 30, 1865 as Serg't.; was prisoner
KNOLES, Thomas A	Private	Menard Co	Sep 18, 1862	Mustered out Aug 3, 1865
KNOLES, William R	Private	Menard Co	Sep 18, 1862	Disch, Jan 24, 1863; disabil.
LANDMAN, Cobus C	Private	Menard Co	Sep 18, 1862	Missing in action at Gantown, Miss.
LEISMAN, Heye C	Private	Menard Co	Sep 18, 1862	Mustered out Aug 3, 1865
LEPKINGER, Frank	Private	Petersburg	Sep 18, 1862	Mustered out Aug 3, 1865
McATTEE, Dudley	Private	Menard Co	Sep 18, 1862	Mustered out Aug 3, 1865
McATTEE, Lafayette	Private	Menard Co	Sep 18, 1862	Mustered out Aug 3, 1865
McATTEE, Martin V B	Recruit	---	Jan 11, 1865	Sub. MO Aug 3, 1865
McDONALD, William P	Private	Menard Co	Sep 18, 1862	Disch, Apr 19, 1863; disabil.
McGARY, William	Private	Menard Co	Sep 18, 1862	Mustered out Aug 3, 1865
McGLIRE, Phillip	Private	Menard Co	Sep 18, 1862	Deserted Mar 14, 1863
McLAIN, Evan	Private	Menard	Sep 18, 1862	MO to date Aug 7, 1865;

		Co		prisoner of war
McMILLER, Anthony	Private	Menard Co	Sep 18, 1862	Mustered out May 23, 1865
MEYER, Harmon	Private	Menard Co	Sep 18, 1862	Died, N. Orleans, Mar 25, 1865
MEYERS, William	Private	Menard Co	Sep 18, 1862	Mustered out Aug 3, 1865
MITCHELL, John	Recruit	Richmond	Mar 21, 1865	Transferred to 58th Ill. Inf.
MILLER, John F	Corporal	Petersburg	Sep 18, 1862	MO Aug 3, 1865 as private
MONGOMERY, Louis L	Private	Menard Co	Sep 18, 1862	Mustered out Aug 3, 1865
MOORE, Louis P	Corporal	Menard Co	Sep 18, 1862	Died at Duckport, La., July 14, 1863
MORRIS, James	Corporal	Menard Co	Sep 18, 1862	Died Aug 9, 1864; wounds
MORRIS, Joseph H	Recruit	Petersburg	May 3, 1864	Disch, Feb 28, 1865; disabl.
MORRIS, Wallace B	Recruit	Petersburg	July 5, 1864	Corp'l. Tr. to 58th Ill. Inf.
OSWALD, Joseph	Private	Menard Co	Sep 18, 1862	Died, Vicksburg, Oct 11, 1863
PATTERSON, Thomas	Private	Menard Co	Sep 18, 1862	Mustered out Aug 3, 1865
PETERSON, Ole	Corporal	Petersburg	Sep 18, 1862	Mustered out Aug 3, 1865
PHILBRICK, Clement	Private	Menard Co	Sep 18, 1862	MO to date May 30, 1865; was prisoner
PICKARD, John A	Recruit	Richmond	Mar 17, 1865	Transferred to 58th Ill. Inf.
POWER, George W	Corporal	Menard Co	Sep 18, 1862	Mustered out Aug 3, 1865
REYNOLDS, Richard M	Sergeant	Menard Co	Sep 18, 1862	Disch, Feb 13, 1863; disabil.
ROGGE, Henry C	2nd Lt.	Petersburg	Sep 18, 1862	Died at Milliken's Bend, La., Jun 5, 1863
RONNY, Thomas	Private	Menard Co	Sep 18, 1862	Deserted Nov 6, 1862
SATOFF, Menne	Private	Menard Co	Sep 18, 1862	Deserted Nov 6, 1862
SCOTT, Walter	Recruit	Petersburg	Apr 2, 1864	Tr. to 58th Ill. Inf. as Corp.
SHUTT, Frederick	Private	Menard Co	Sep 18, 1862	MO to date May 30, 1865
SNODGRASS, Isaac	Private	Menard	Sep 18, 1862	Died, Memphis, Sep 14, 1863



SNODGRASS, Rhodes	Private	Menard Co	Sep 18, 1862	Died, hosp. boat, Aug 23, 1863
SPENCE, Thomas	Private	Menard Co	Sep 18, 1862	Deserted Mar 20, 1863
SULLIVAN, George W	Private	Menard Co	Sep 18, 1862	MO Aug 3, 1865 as wagoner
SUTTON, John H	Recruit	Litchfield	Mar 21, 1865	Transferred to 58th Ill. Inf.
SUTTON, Sylvester	Private	Menard Co	Sep 18, 1862	Mustered out Aug 3, 1865
TAYLOR, James	Sergeant	Menard Co	Sep 18, 1862	Mustered out Aug 3, 1865
TAYLOR, Walter	Private	Menard Co	Sep 18, 1862	Died, Memphis, Oct 7, 1863
TERHUNE, Lucian	1st Lt.	Menard Co	Sep 18, 1862	Resigned Feb 29, 1864
THOMAS, Arthur	Private	Menard Co	Sep 18, 1862	Died in Menard Co., Ill., Feb 20, 1863
TRUMBO, Charles A	Private	Menard Co	Sep 18, 1862	Discharged Jan 23, 1865
TRUMBO, John W	Private	Menard Co	Sep 18, 1862	Died July 17, 1863
TRUMBULL, John	Recruit	Richmond	Mar 17, 1865	Transferred to 58th Ill. Inf.
TURNER, Francis M	Recruit	Petersburg	Jun 9, 1864	Tr. to 58th Ill. Inf., as Corp.
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TYLER, James S	Recruit	---	---	Disch. Feb 2, 1865; disabl.
WARING, John	Private	Menard Co	Sep 18, 1862	Mustered out Aug 3, 1865
WEIRS, Gerard	Private	Menard Co	Sep 18, 1862	Disch, Mar 4, 1864; disabl.
YELKIN, John	Private	Menard Co	Sep 18, 1862	Died, Memphis, Apr 13, 1863

*Transcribed by Jim Willison*



## CAMP BUTLER

CAMP BUTLER CIVIL WAR CON-  
CENTRATION CAMP FOR UNION  
VOLUNTEERS OCCUPIED A LARGE  
AREA IN THIS VICINITY FROM 1862  
TO 1864 IT WAS ALSO A PRISON  
CAMP FOR CAPTURED CONFED-  
ERATES NOW A NATIONAL  
CEMETERY IT CONTAINS THE  
GRAVES OF 1442 UNION AND  
CONFEDERATE SOLDIERS

ERECTED BY THE STATE OF MISSOURI  
1964



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*On the 4th day of August, 1862, during the recent struggle for national existence, Captain Hornback came forwards, and offered his services to the country as a private in Company "K," 114th Regiment Illinois Volunteers, under Colonel Judy. Rendezvousing at Camp Butler, Springfield, the regiment soon after proceeded to Memphis, Tennessee, and here and in the vicinity it remained till April 1, 1863, guarding railroads, scouting, and skirmishing, incident to soldier life. At the expiration of this time, the regiment received orders to join the forces under General Grant, at Grand Gulf, Mississippi. Proceeding from this point against the enemy, under General Johnston, the 114th and several other regiments came upon the Rebels, April 10, strongly posted at Raymond; and after several hours' sharp fighting, forced the enemy from their works. Pushing the retreating foe, on the 14th they again encountered the enemy in force in their fortifications, at Jackson, Mississippi; and after a severe pitched battle, in which the old 114th hotly engaged, the Rebels were dislodged from their works, and the town captured. Again, on the 16th instant, the regiment was closely engaged with the enemy at Champion Hills, in the rear of Vicksburg; after which it participated in the investment, siege, and surrender of that Gibraltar of America. For more than two months the regiment was under almost constant fire; exposed to all the hardships of war in a malarious climate; frequently lulled to sleep by the sullen boom of the enemy's guns, and aroused from early mourning slumber and dreams of home by the sharp screaming of solid shot, and loud, close explosions of shrapnel and shell; and thus did he bear the danger and perils of the siege, and thus share in the joy and triumph of the victory. But even after this great victory there was no rest for the gallant 114th, which was in the entire siege of that place, and being among the first to enter the town when evacuated by the Rebels, July 16, 1863. In October, 1863, for soldierly and meritorious conduct, Mr. Hornback was promoted from Orderly Sergeant to the rank of Captain; and while in Memphis received the appointment of City Provost Marshal;*

*but preferring to share the dangers of active campaigning with his men, he declined the appointment. During the spring of 1864, the 114th had numerous engagements with the Rebels, under General Forrest, with various successes. On the 10th of June, 1864, the 114th was engaged in the severe and disastrous battle at Guntown, Mississippi, in which the regiment suffered severely. Captain Hornback himself was wounded, and lost nearly one-half of his men. About a month after, the regiment again encountered the same force, and obtained ample satisfaction, completely routing the enemy after a severe three days' battle. In the following August the regiment was transferred to the depot west of the Mississippi, and participated in the pursuit of Price in Arkansas and Missouri, engaging in a severe battle near Kansas City, Missouri, in October, 1864. After the expulsion of Price from Missouri, Captain Hornback's command joined General Thomas, at Nashville, and took part in the overwhelming defeat which he administered to Hood, December 14 and 15; after which the regiment proceeded to the siege of Mobile, going via New Orleans. The old 114th was engaged in the entire siege of Mobile, and shared in striking the last blow at armed treason, planting the old flag upon the last remaining stronghold of the enemy. The war being ended, Captain Hornback and the few surviving veterans of the 114th returned home, to enjoy in peace and quiet the fruits of their dearly-bought victory.*

# Illinois.



*In Menard County, Illinois, November 14, 1828. was born, Robert Hornback, eldest son of Abraham and Abigail (Bracken) Hornback; and here he has continued to reside till the present time. Being the*

*oldest son of a large family, he bore a large share of the hardships incident to pioneer life. The Captain remembers distinctly of plowing with an old-fashioned plow, with a wooden mould-board, at the age of five and a half years. Reared to farm-life, he has since, from choice, continued the honorable occupation of agriculture.*

*On the 29th of February, 1850, Captain Hornback was united in marriage to Miss Catharine Rogers, an amiable lady, daughter of Samuel and Rebecca Rogers, of Menard County, by whom he became the father of seven children, four of whom are yet living.*

*On the 10th of February, 1867, he sustained the deepest bereavement of his life, in the death of his wife, -the mother of his children, who, for seventeen years, endured with him the trials and hardships of life; and in November of the same year, to provide for his motherless children, he was married to his present wife, Miss Margaret J. McGilora, a very worthy lady, by whom he has four children. On the 4th day of August, 1862, during the recent struggle for national existence, Captain Hornback came forwards, and offered his services to the country as a private in Company "K," 114th Regiment Illinois Volunteers, under Colonel Judy. Rendezvousing at Camp Butler, Springfield, the regiment soon after proceeded to Memphis, Tennessee, and here and in the vicinity it remained till April 1, 1863, guarding railroads, scouting, and skirmishing, incident to soldier life. At the expiration of this time, the regiment received orders to join the forces under General Grant, at Grand Gulf, Mississippi. Proceeding from this point against the enemy, under General Johnston, the 114th and several other regiments came upon the Rebels. April 10, strongly posted at Raymond; and after several hours' sharp fighting, forced the enemy from their works. Pushing the retreating foe, on the 14th they again encountered the enemy in force in their fortifications, at Jackson, Mississippi; and after a*

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*Since the war, Captain Hornback has been extensively engaged in farming, and raising and shipping stock, and is now one of the most successful farmers of Menard County. All who know the Captain esteem him as a gentleman, honorable and upright in character and conduct, and active, industrious, and energetic in his business transactions. As a thorough-going, self-made man, he is one of the pillars of support of his native County.*

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