

## John Washington Hawkins

John Washington Hawkins was born 31 March 1838 in Todd County, Kentucky. His parents were Nathaniel Hawkins and Mary F. Edwards. He was called Wash for at least part of his life.

John's family was recorded on the 1840 census in Todd, Kentucky on page 255 of film #7832.

The family moved from Kentucky to Conway, Arkansas in 1848.

On 7 October 1850 John Washington Hawkins is listed on the Conway, Arkansas census on page 235 of film #2479 in Welborn Township. He is 14 living with his family.

John Washington Hawkins married Susan Ann Watson on 9 November 1856 in Conway Co. Arkansas as recorded in Book A, page 86 of the Conway Marriage Record. They were married by J. D. Stockton, Methodist Episcopal Church.

James was born in 1857, in Arkansas.

Henry E. was born in Arkansas in 1858.

Mary Lee was born in Arkansas in 1860. It appears she was originally named Harriett.

The John Washington Hawkins family is listed on the 6 June 1860 census for Welborn, Conway, Arkansas as recorded on page 449 of film # 803039. Family members are listed as W. Hawkins, 23, born in Kentucky, Susan A. 22, born in Tennessee, Henry E. 2, and Harriet 3 months.

John enlisted in the Army on 9 October 1861 at Camp Lee, Arkansas. He served as a private in the First Arkansas Confederate Mounted Rifles, Company I, The McCullough Rangers of Conway County under General Thomas J. Churchill. His age is given as 31, and he had blue eyes, brown hair, light complexion, and is listed as 5'7" tall. Deserted 8/1/62, Taken prisoner 15 October 1862 at Rowan (Bourbon) County, KY. Sent to prison at Camp Chase, OH

John was discharged from the Army in 1865, probably in April or May.

George Washington was born in February 1866 in Conway, Arkansas.

Hugh was born in 1867 in Conway, Arkansas. He died about 1900 in Alpin, Perry, Arkansas.

John Egbert was born on 15 April 1870 in Conway, Arkansas. He married Mary E. and he died 4 December 1935 in Plumerville, Conway, Arkansas.

John's family was recorded on page 91 of film #545549 of the 13 August 1870 census for Union Township, Conway, Arkansas. They are in the Springfield Post Office. J. W. 33, farmer, Ann 32, Charles 13, Mary 11, George 4, Henry (Huey) 2 and John 5 months.

Thomas Nathaniel was born 14 May 1873 in Conway, Arkansas. He died on 13 September 1953 in Sapulpa, Creek, Oklahoma.

Robert was born in Conway, Arkansas in 1876

On 21 June 1880 John's family is listed in Conway, Arkansas on page 336C of Union Township as recorded on film #1254041. J. W. 43, Susan A 42, George W. 15, Huey H, 13, John E. 9, Thos I 7, and Robert B 4. Mary Caperton 20, living in the next house.

Claude was born 14 March 1881 in Waldron, Scott, Arkansas. He died 4 December 1954 in Hobart, Kiowa, Oklahoma.

John worked on the railroad for many years.

Family tradition says John was thrown from a horse and landed on a tree stump impaling him on a sharp piece of wood. His obituary seems to indicate differently. He died on 15 December 1892 in Conway, Arkansas. A detailed newspaper account records his death. He is buried in the Wilder Cemetery in Union Township.

## Susan Ann Watson

Susan Ann Watson was born in September of 1838 in Tennessee the daughter of Harrison Watson and Mary Tatom.

She is listed with her parents on the 1840 Fayette County, Tennessee census on film #24544.

She is listed on page 230 of the Welborn Township, Conway, Arkansas census on 1 October 1850 film # 2479. She is 11 years old living with her family.

Susan is listed on the 1900 census for Howard Township, Conway, Arkansas on page 57 of film #1240055. She is living with Thomas M. Garrison, 22, her grandson. The date was 7 July 1900. Also in the house are Vida 17, Irene 1 and Susan A. 61.

Susan completed a Pension Application on 15 August 1901 in Conway, Arkansas.

Susan received a pension each month and milked a cow and sold vegetables from her garden to make a living.

Susan cannot be found in the 1910 census.

On 21 January 1920 Susan is living with her son J. E. Hawkins in Steel Township, Conway, Arkansas as recorded on page 7 of film #1820058.

Susan died of cancer on 17 August 1924 in Conway Co. Arkansas. She is buried in Mt. Pleasant Cemetery.

## OBITUARY FOR J. W. HAWKINS

J. W. Hawkins, an old citizen of Conway County, died at his home in Union township, this County December 15, at 11 P.M. Deceased was born March 31, 1838, in Todd County, Kentucky, and moved to Conway County with his father in 1848, being then 10 years of age. Squire Hawkins, as he was known, professed religion in 1871 and became a member of the Missionary Baptist church. He was ordained deacon in this church in 1888, at Cedar Creek Church, this county, and was a most devout and consistent Christian until his death. He died at perfect peace with all the world and thoroughly resigned to his approaching end. Squire Hawkins was a brother of T.C. and N. E. Hawkins and Mrs. G. L. Cunningham, all residents of Morrilton. He was buried with Masonic honors by Springfield Lodge F&AM of which he had been a member for many years. The funeral obsequies took place at the grave. Religious services by Rev. B. M. Stephens, his pastor and lifelong friend.

The Pilot sincerely mourns with his bereaved family in their hour of misfortune, but it can be truly said that their loss is his gain, as the deceased had been in feeble health for a number of years.

In "Arkansas Confederate Veterans and Widows Pension Applications" was found: Hawkins, Wash, 16238 Hawkins, Ann Mrs., Co. I, 1 Ar-C, date 61-65, w/appl. 8-15-01, Conway County, V. Dec 12-10-1921



