

Jubal Early Chapter 553 Newsletter



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Chapter News

Fifteen members and two guests were present at our June meeting which was held at the Old Chapel Church in Penhook, Va. Our newest member, Ms. Cheri Rae Foutz received her certificate. She joined under her Great, great, great grandfather, William A. Finney, a Private in Co. F, 57th Va. Infantry.

A Membership application has been submitted for our eighth newest member, Trea Burwell. She is joining under her ancestor, Creed Holland who was a teamster for the 58th Va. Infantry

First District Chairman, Lynn Reed was also present and installed our new chapter officers:

- President - Beverly Woody
- Vice Pres. - Janet West
- 2nd V.P. - Martha Hubbard
- Secretary - Shirley Dent
- Treasurer - Arlene Cundiff
- Registrar - Linda Nezbeth

Guests and family members were invited to attend the installation of officers as well as the program given by Dr. Francis Amos. He gave a very informative program on the Old Chapel Church which was founded in 1769. Several members had family ties to the church. Members saw the painstaking work that has been done to restore this old church to its original condition.

Several members participated in the Veteran's Memorial Day Program at the Franklin County History Museum on June 4 – 6th. The 57th Va. Infantry re-enactors from New York were our guests and camped on the grounds of the Museum. Del. Charles Poindexter was our key-note speaker for the ceremony and members of various SCV camps participated.

Following the Veteran's Memorial Day Ceremony, lunch was served by the ladies of the Jubal Early Chapter. The 57th group were treated to a farewell dinner at the Rocky Mount Church of the Brethren on Sunday evening.



Newest member, Cheri Rae Foutz receives her membership certificate from President, Martha Hubbard.



Other News

The Fincastle Rifles Camp of the SCV will be hosting a ceremony at the Hanging Rock Monument in Salem on Sat. June 18th from 9:00 a.m. thru 1:00 p.m. A wreath will be placed at the monument.

Members are reminded that this year's Virginia Division Convention will be held at the Lynchburg Holiday Inn on Main Street from Thursday, Oct. 6 thru Sunday, October 9th.



Upcoming Events

- June 22nd 9:00 p.m. - Hanging Rocky Ceremony
Salem
- Oct. 6th – 9th - Virginia Division Convention
Lynchburg



September Meeting
Sat., Sept. 10th – 10:30 a.m.
Franklin County Library
Rocky Mount

Confederate Ancestor of the Month

Each month the Jubal Early Chapter of the UDC features a Confederate Ancestor. The "Ancestor of the Month" for June 2016 is Daniel Ford Keen. The Jubal Early Chapter is proud to present his story.

Daniel Ford Keen

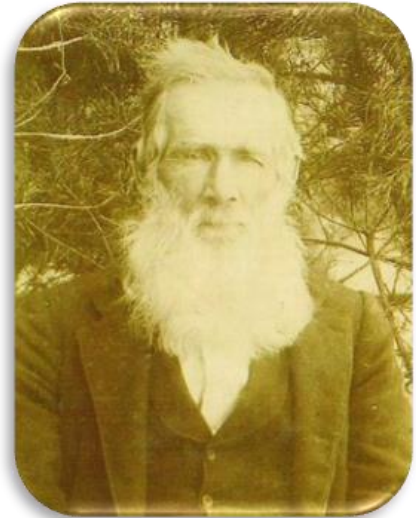
Born in Franklin County on 18 June 1830, Daniel was the fifth of seven children born to Ashford Thomas and his first wife, Elizabeth (Edwards) Keen. His siblings were: Gilly Coleman, born in 1819; Elizabeth Ann, born in 1820; Thomas William, (1823-1886); Mary Ann (1825-1892); Lucy E, born in 1827; and Judith F., born in 1832. After the death of his first wife in 1832, Ashford married in 1836 to Frances Elizabeth Glass. They would have six children: David; John; Christina; Sally; Julia Annie; and Charles.

Daniel married on 14 October 1858 to Mary Frances Herndon. She was born 22 April 1840 in Franklin County, the daughter of Doctor Aaron and Elizabeth (Perkins) Herndon. Daniel and Mary had nine children: William B.; Ashford; Elizabeth Ann; Nancy F.; Aaron H.; John Daniel; Gillie Virginia; unnamed infant girl; and Helen R. Keen.

On 1 March 1862, Daniel enlisted at Bachelor's Hall, Virginia as a Sergeant in Co. I, 57th Va. Infantry. He was detailed to "enrolling conscripts and arresting deserters and those men who were AWOL" in February 1863. He was listed as being on the rolls 15 November 1864.

Mary Frances died on 7 March 1879. Daniel married Mary Jane Pearson in Franklin County on 14 October 1880. She died prior to 1884 when Daniel married a third time. He married on 11 December 1884 to Nannie H. Hatchett. She was a widow and daughter of William and Harriett W. Laprad.

Daniel was receiving a Confederate Pension in 1900. He died on 30 August 1909. His place of burial is unknown.



Daniel Ford Keen



June Activities



Jubal Early Chapter members at the Veteran's Memorial Day services at the History Museum, June 4th.



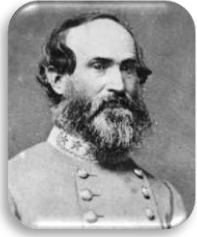
First District Chairman, Lynn Reed installs the new officers of the Jubal Early Chapter.



**Left: Old Chapel Church
Penhook, Virginia**

Right: Dr. Francis Amos speaks about the history of the Old Chapel Church and the work involved in its restoration.





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