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EXPECTED IN FOLLOWING MEMORIAL BY UNDEE
DAUGHTERS OF CONFEDERACY TO
MRS ALICE WHITING WATERMAN
AND HER "BOYS"





CONFEDERATE REST

THE VALIANT CONFEDERATE SOLDIERS WHO LIE BURIED HERE WERE MEMBERS OF THE 1ST ALABAMA INF. REG., CONFEDERATE STATES OF AMERICA. THEY WERE CAPTURED IN THE SPRING OF 1862 IN THE CIVIL WAR BATTLE OF ISLAND NO. 10 IN THE MISSISSIPPI RIVER SOUTH OF CAIRO, ILLINOIS. THEIR TASK WAS TO HALT RIVER TRAFFIC CARRYING MEN AND SUPPLIES TO NORTHERN FORCES FURTHER SOUTH.

AFTER WEEKS OF FIGHTING UNDER EXTREMELY DIFFICULT CONDITIONS, THEY WERE FORCED TO SURRENDER. CONSTANT FIRE FROM RIVER GUNBOATS AND LAND FORCES MADE THEIR POSITION UNTENABLE. AFTER SURRENDER, THEY WERE MOVED TO CAMP RANDALL AND WHEN THEY ARRIVED MANY WERE SUFFERING FROM WOUNDS, MALNUTRITION AND VARIOUS DISEASES.

WITHIN A FEW WEEKS 140 GRAVES WERE FILLED, THE LAST RESTING PLACES FOR THESE UNSUNG HEROES, FAR FROM THEIR HOMES IN ALABAMA, TENNESSEE, MISSISSIPPI, LOUISIANA AND ARKANSAS.

HERE, ALSO, IS THE GRAVE OF ALICE WHITING WATERMAN, A GRACIOUS SOUTHERN LADY WHO DEVOTED MORE THAN 30 YEARS OF HER LIFE TO CARING FOR THE GRAVES OF "HER BOYS"

GIFT OF MR. AND MRS. WILLIAM AUSTIN HUGGINS
IN MEMORY OF HIS FATHER AND GRANDFATHER,
CONFEDERATE SOLDIERS, BOTH OF WHOM ARE BURIED
IN SOUTHERN SOIL.

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