

**AUSTIN SOLDIERS IN SOME  
CIVIL WAR PRISONS AND BURIAL SITES**

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**UNION SOLDIERS**

**ANDERSONVILLE, GEORGIA CONFEDERATE PRISON**

The Austins below were extracted from the Anderson Prisoners list compiled by the late Jack Lunquist, who spent years putting it together, according to Robert Scott Davis, Jr. in an email to Helen Cook Austin on 17 August 2010. The full name list with no mention of Lunquist is posted on the website: [www.itd.nps.gov/cwss/prisoners.htm](http://www.itd.nps.gov/cwss/prisoners.htm)

**Aaron Austin** ..... 7th Pennsylvania Cavalry  
**Alexander M. Austin**..... 16th Connecticut Infantry  
**Alfred Austin** ..... 5th Indiana Cavalry  
**Alpheus Austin** ..... 147th New York Infantry  
**Benjamin F. Austin** ..... 1st Kentucky Cavalry  
**C. Austin** ..... Pennsylvania  
**Charles Austin**..... 19th Pennsylvania Cavalry  
**Darius Austin**..... 8th Michigan Cavalry  
**David Austin** ..... 17th Connecticut Infantry  
**David B. Austin** ..... 2nd New Jersey Infantry  
**David B. Austin** ..... 50th Ohio Infantry  
**Ebenezer V. Austin** ..... 23rd Massachusetts Infantry  
**Edward Austin** ..... 153rd Ohio Infantry  
**Edward Austin** ..... 20th Pennsylvania Cavalry  
**George Austin**..... 36th Wisconsin Infantry  
**Henry Austin** ..... 27th Michigan Infantry  
**Henry Austin** ..... 82nd New York Infantry  
**Ira Austin**..... 3rd Michigan Infantry  
**Ira Austin**..... 85th New York Infantry  
**Isaac Austin** ..... 25th Wisconsin Infantry  
**J. O. Austin** ..... 14th Illinois Infantry  
**J. W. Austin** ..... 14th Illinois  
**James Austin** ..... 4th United States Cavalry  
**John Austin**..... 36th Wisconsin Infantry  
**John H. Austin**..... 1st Rhode Island Cavalry  
**John T. Austin** ..... 21st Wisconsin Infantry  
**N. B. Austin**..... 108th New York Infantry  
**Oliver Austin** ..... 7th New York Artillery  
**Oscar Austin**..... 122nd New York Infantry  
**R. Austin** ..... 5th New York  
**Richard Austin** ..... 5th Connecticut Infantry  
**Royal G. Austin** ..... 5th New York Infantry  
**Stephen Austin** ..... 7th Michigan Cavalry  
**Thomas P. Austin** ..... Unit 7  
**William Austin** ..... 3rd Iowa Cavalry  
**William Austin** ..... 72nd Pennsylvania Infantry

**DANVILLE, VIRGINIA CONFEDERATE PRISON**

The facility consisted of six tobacco warehouses used as prisons for Union soldiers during the Civil War. The graves of the Union soldiers were moved to the Danville National Cemetery. One Austin burial:

**Benjamin F. Austin** ..... Co. F 109th New York Infantry  
..... Private of Boston, Massachusetts  
..... died 3 October 1864, Plot: B 287

**CONFEDERATE SOLDIERS**

**FORT MCHENRY FEDERAL PRISON**

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**H. Austin** ..... Prisoner of War  
**John T. Austin** ..... Political Prisoner  
**Samuel Austin**..... Prisoner of War  
**W. U. Austin** ..... Prisoner of War  
**William Austin**..... Prisoner of War

**POINT LOOKOUT, MARYLAND FEDERAL PRISON CAMP**

Austin Confederate Soldiers Interred Point Lookout Cemetery This is abstracted from a list of names converted from the text listings in Edwin Beitzell's book. The names appear as listed on the Point Lookout Cemetery Monument erected by the SCV organization.

**A. Austin** ..... Co. H, 55th North Carolina  
**D. A. Austin**..... Co. F, 22nd North Carolina  
**J. Austin** ..... Co. B, 4th North Carolina  
**J. L. Austin**..... Co. D, 37th North Carolina

**ELMIRA, NEW YORK U. S. ARMY PRISON CAMP**

This prison was used in 1864-1865. Most prisoners were transferred here from the overcrowded Point Lookout Federal Prison in Maryland. This is a list of burials of Confederate soldiers in the Woodlawn National Cemetery from the Elmira Prison Camp Source: Tom Flynn Walker of Pine City obtained this listing from the Chemung County Historical Society.

**L. Aston** d. 3 Dec 1864..... Co. A, 51st Regt. NC  
**J. W. Austin** d. 3 Sep 1864 ..... Co. F, 32nd NC  
**Richard Austin** d. 11 Jun 1865 ..... Co. C, 3rd Bat. NC  
**S. S. Austin** d. 11 Dec 1864 ..... Co. K, 28th NC  
**T. J. Austin** d. 7 July 1865 ..... Co. A, 21st AL

**ALTON, ILLINOIS FEDERAL PRISON**

List of Confederate prisoners named Austin buried in Illinois. This was an abandoned Illinois State Penitentiary built in 1831 near the Mississippi river at Alton from 1862 to 1865, 12,000 prisoners were there. Some 1354 died of smallpox and other diseases. Graves were unidentifiable. Deaths for three Austin CSA soldiers are listed here. After each soldier's name is the rank, unit, date of entry to prison, his residence, date of death, cause of death, and burial site.

**A. H. Austin** ..... Private, 5th Arkansas  
..... 8 April 1863 Wittsburg, Arkansas  
..... d. 30 May 1863 Small Pox

**Robert Austin** ..... Private, 1st Louisiana  
..... 10/06/63  
.....d. 19 Dec. 1863 Pneumonia, IL State Ground

**Stephen Austin** .....Pvt, E Cockes 3rd Arkansas Infantry  
..... 4 July 1863 Helena, Arkansas  
..... 7 Sept. 1863 Small Pox, Smallpox Island

#### ROCK ISLAND, ILLINOIS FEDERAL PRISON

Confederate Cemetery at Rock Island near the Rock Island National Cemetery, which was established for Union Soldiers and families in 1863. During the Civil War, over 12,000 prisoners were housed on Rock Island (now Arsenal Island). Of those about 2000 died from smallpox, pneumonia, and other medical ailments. They were buried in a separate cemetery located on the eastern end of the island. The staff of the National Cemetery, also located on Arsenal Island, donated a complete list of all those interred in the Confederate Cemetery.

**J. C. Ashton** .....Private, Co. G 58th Alabama  
..... d. 21 February 1864 Plot 569

**John Aston** .....Private, Co. H 58th Alabama  
..... d. 11 January 1864 Plot 173

**James Austin** .....Conscript, MO  
..... d. 22 January 1865 Plot 1804