

George W. Roberts collection

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3 mss boxes

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Biographical Note:

George W. Roberts was born on March 3, 1834 in Williamsburg, Indiana. As a local plasterer, he married Orisa A. Stetson on September 21, 1854. On August 3, 1862, Roberts enlisted in Company E, Indiana 69th Infantry Regiment. He was promoted to Full Sergeant and mustered out on July 5, 1865 in Mobile, Alabama. Roberts and Orisa had three children, Alice, William, and Eva. Orisa passed away on October 30, 1894 and Roberts later married Mary E. Ball on September 6, 1902.

Roberts was an avid member of the Grand Army of the Republic. He died on March 10, 1913 in Richmond, Indiana.

Source:

Ancestry.com; U.S. Civil War Soldier Records and Profiles, 1861-1865.

Scope and Content:

The George W. Roberts collection includes two Civil War diaries, correspondence, a coffee can, and spoon belonging to George W. Roberts; annual encampment ribbons, Grand Army of the Republic awards and ribbons, and miscellaneous Civil War insignia ranging from circa 1861-1914.

The collection also includes membership and meeting ribbons from his daughter, Eva Roberts Courtney, who was President of the Woman's Relief Corps during 1943-1944.

Also included are transcriptions of George W. Roberts correspondence ranging from 1862-1912; undated.

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Collection Inventory
Box and Folder Listing:

Box 1. *George W. Roberts Subject Files, 1861-1944*

| Folder | |
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| 1. | George W. Roberts Pocket Diary, 1864 |
| 2. | George W. Roberts Pocket Diary, 1865 |
| 3. | 69 th Indiana Regiment Annual Reunion Ribbons, 1892-1909 |
| 4. | 69 th Indiana Regiment Annual Reunion Ribbons, 1892-1909 |
| 5. | Grand Army of the Republic Annual Encampment Ribbon, 1903 |
| 6. | Grand Army of the Republic Annual Encampment Delegate Ribbons, 1911 May-1914; undated |
| 7. | Eva Roberts Courtney, Woman's Relief Corps Ribbons, 1943-1944 |
| 8. | U.S. Grant Post No. 5 Ribbon, undated |
| 9. | U.S. Grant Post No. 120 Ribbon, undated |
| 10. | Miscellaneous Civil War medals, circa 1861-1865 |
| 11. | Civil War coffee can and spoon, circa 1861-1865 |

Box 2. *George W. Roberts Subject Files, 1862-1921*

| Folder | |
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| 1. | Correspondence, 1862 |
| 2. | Correspondence, 1863 |
| 3. | Correspondence, 1864 |
| 4. | Correspondence, 1864 |
| 5. | Correspondence, 1865 |
| 6. | Correspondence, 1866 |
| 7. | Correspondence, 1872 |
| 8. | Correspondence, 1874 |
| 9. | Correspondence, 1876 |
| 10. | Correspondence, 1878 |
| 11. | Correspondence, 1879 |
| 12. | Correspondence, 1880 |
| 13. | Correspondence, 1888 |
| 14. | Correspondence, 1912 |
| 15. | Correspondence, undated |
| 16. | William H. Strickler Special Orders, 1864 |
| 17. | George W. Roberts Discharge Papers, 1865 July |
| 18. | 69 th Indiana Infantry Regiment Annual Reunion Pamphlets, 1898-1921; undated |
| 19. | 69 th Indiana Regiment, Indiana Volunteers History, undated |
| 20. | Vicksburg National Military Park Catalog, 1939 |
| 21. | Correspondence Transcription, 1862-1863 |

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| 22. | Correspondence Transcription, 1863 |
| 23. | Correspondence Transcription, 1864 |

Box 3. *George W. Roberts Subject Files, 1865-1912*

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| Folder | |
| 1. | Correspondence Transcription, 1865 |
| 2. | Correspondence Transcription, 1872-1912; undated |
| 3. | Pocket Diary Photocopy, 1864-1865 |
| 4. | Pocket Diary Photocopy, 1864-1865 |
| 5. | Pocket Diary Photocopy, 1864-1865 |

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