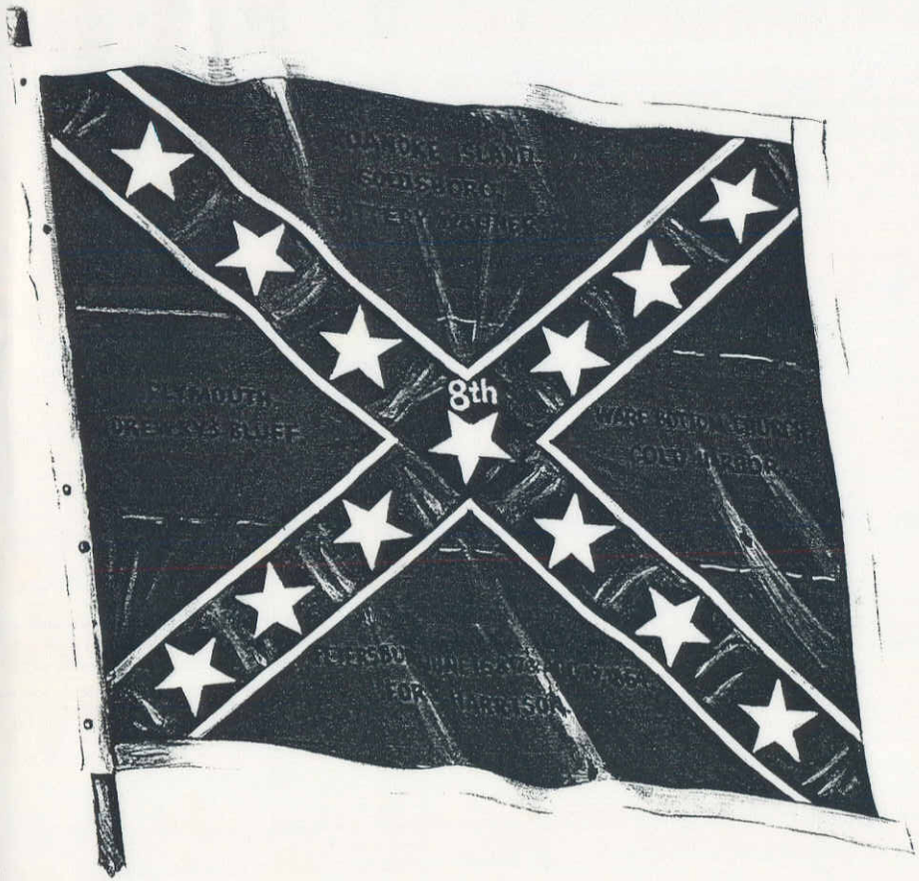

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154th (Senior) Infantry Regiment was organized in 1842 as the 154th Tennessee Militia Regiment. Reorganized at Randolph, Shelby County, Tennessee, in May, 1861, it was permitted to retain its old number. The men were from the counties of Shelby, Henry, McNairy, Hardeman, and Fayette. It fought at Belmont, Shiloh, and Richmond before being assigned to P. Smith's, Vaughan's, and Palmer's Brigade, Army of Tennessee. During April, 1863, it was consolidated with the 13th Regiment. It participated in the difficult campaigns of the army from Murfreesboro to Atlanta, returned to Tennessee with Hood, and was active in North Carolina. This regiment contained 802 men in July, 1861, had 13 disabled at Belmont, and lost thirty-one percent of the 650 engaged at Shiloh. It reported forty-one percent casualties of the 245 at Murfreesboro, and the 13th/154th totalled 428 men and 263 arms in December, 1863. The unit was included in the surrender on April 26, 1865. Its commanders were Colonels Edward Fitzgerald, Michael Magevney, Jr., and Preston Smith; Lieutenant Colonels John W. Dawson and Marcus J. Wright; and Majors Jones Genette, John D. Martin, and Marsh M. Patrick.

Allison's Cavalry Squadron was formed in March, 1863, at Alexandria, DeKalb County, Tennessee, with three companies. The unit served in Forrest's, J. W. Grigsby's, and J. S. Williams' Brigade, Army of Tennessee. It participated in the fight at Chickamauga, then was involved in the Atlanta Campaign, Wheeler's raid into Tennessee, and the campaign of the Carolinas. The squadron was included in the surrender on April 26, 1865. Colonel Robert D. Allison was in command.

Bankhead's-Scott's Battery was organized in May, 1861, at Memphis, Tennessee. It participated in the Battle of Shiloh, then was assigned to M. Smith's Battalion of Artillery, Army of Tennessee. The unit took an active part in the campaigns of the army from Murfreesboro to Missionary Ridge. Here many were disabled, and the company disbanded in December, 1863. It lost twenty-two percent of the 93 engaged at Shiloh, had 1 killed and 2 wounded of the 81 at Murfreesboro, and reported 2 killed and 14 wounded at Chickamauga. Captains S. P. Bankhead and William L. Scott were in command.

Baxter's-Freeman's-Huggins' Battery was organized at Camp Harris, Nashville, Tennessee, in May, 1861. The unit contained 73 effectives in April, 1862, served in Tennessee, moved to Alabama, then returned to Tennessee. Here it was active at Parker's Cross Roads, Thompson's Station, and Brentwood. Later it fought at Chickamauga and for a time was assigned to F. H. Robertson's Battalion of Wheeler's Cavalry Corps. The battery went on to participate in the defense of Savannah and the campaign of the Carolinas. During February, 1864, there were 77 men present for duty, and the company was included in the surrender of the Army of Tennessee. Its captains were Edward D. Baxter, Samuel L. Freeman, and Amariah L. Huggins.

Brown Horse Artillery was formed during September, 1862, at Lexington, Kentucky. The unit was stationed at Cumberland and Big Creek Gaps, then moved to Knoxville. In July, 1863, it participated in J. S. Scott's raid into Kentucky and in August was at Concord, Tennessee. The company then disbanded. Captain W. R. Marshall was in command.

Eldridge's-Wright's-Mebane's-Phillips' Battery was organized in Hardin County, Tennessee, in October, 1861. Some of its men came from Fayette and Wayne counties. The unit served in Mississippi, fought at Murfreesboro, then returned to Mississippi. Later it was assigned to R. E. Graves' and R. Cobb's Battalion of Artillery, Army of Tennessee. After participating in the Battle of Chickamauga, the company took an active part in the Atlanta Campaign and Hood's operations in Tennessee. It was then sent to Mobile and on May 4, 1865, included in the surrender of the Department of Alabama, Mississippi, and East Louisiana. This battery lost 6 killed, 14 wounded, and 2 missing at Murfreesboro, had 68 men engaged at Chickamauga, and in April, 1864, reported 66 present for duty. Only 15 effectives surrendered. It was commanded by Captains J. Wesley Eldridge, John W. Mebane, J. W. Phillips, and E. E. Wright.

Forrest's Escort Company was organized at Murfreesboro, Tennessee, in September, 1862, with men from Bedford County. General N. B. Forrest was instrumental in recruiting and forming the company, and it served with him throughout the war. It was mustered into service with 90 men and surrendered on May 4, 1865, with 119. Captains Montgomery W. Little and John C. Jackson were in command.

Hamilton's Cavalry Battalion [also called 4th Battalion] was organized in December, 1862, in Jackson County, Tennessee. The unit served in Dibrell's, Grigsby's, and J. S. Williams' Brigade, Army of Tennessee. It participated in the Battle of Chickamauga, served