

## ***Military Order of the Stars and Bars***

Founders

By Toni Turk

The ***Military Order of the Stars and Bars*** was formally established on August 30, 1938, in Columbia, SC. There were sixty-two charter members. Of this number fifteen were veterans of the War Between the States; eleven of whom saw service as officers. The remaining four achieved post-war advancements within the United Confederate Veterans.

### **Charter Members serving as officers during the WBTS were:**

Name	Dates	Rank	Unit
Ashe, Samuel A'Court	(1848-1938)*	Captain	Confederate Troops - AAG
Bell, Holland Middleton	(1839-1943)	Captain	AL 41 <sup>st</sup> Inf., Co. H
Bishop, Carter R.	(1850-1941)	Cadet	VMI, Co. C
Brock, Noah Monroe	(1836-1942)	2 <sup>nd</sup> Lieutenant	VA 10 <sup>th</sup> Cav., Co. B
Halsey, Stephen Peters	(1843-1939)	Major	VA 21 <sup>st</sup> Cav., F&S
Hill, Wyatt Tucker	(1846-1938)	2 <sup>nd</sup> Lieutenant	VA 3 <sup>rd</sup> Inf. (Reserves), Co. A
Keyser, Peter James Jr.	(1847-1939)	2 <sup>nd</sup> Lieutenant	VA 3 <sup>rd</sup> Inf. (Reserves), Co. G
Lowry, James A.	(1845-1942)	3 <sup>rd</sup> Lieutenant	NC 48 <sup>th</sup> Inf., Co. A
Robinson, Benjamin McCain	(1845-1938)	1 <sup>st</sup> Lieutenant	AL 63 <sup>rd</sup> Inf., Co. G
Stewart, James M.	(1842-1939)	Major	SC 22 <sup>nd</sup> Inf., Co. G
Wood, William Morison	(1846-1943)	Cadet	VMI

\*Posthumous Founder d. 8/29/1938

### **Charter Members serving as enlisted during the WBTS (advanced under UCV) were:**

Atkinson, Homer	(1848-1945)	Private	VA 39 <sup>th</sup> Inf., Co. B
Dowdy, John Andrew Jackson	(1848-1943)	Private	TX 24 <sup>th</sup> Cav., Co. C
Evans, William McKendree	(1847-1939)	Corporal	VA Richmond "Parker" L Arty
Gellette, Otto Richard	(1846-1944)	UCV	UCV

### **Non-WBTS- Veteran Charter Members of the Order were:**

Name	Relation	Dates	Last Address
Bailey, James Milton	son	(1876-1954)	Penland, NC
Barton, COL Robert Thomas	son	(1891-1980)	Richmond, VA
Bond, LT James Sullivan	son	(1871-1963)	Savannah, GA
Burroughs, Oliver Berrien Jr.	grandson	(1889-1962)	Augusta, GA
Cheatham, MG Benjamin Franklin	son	(1867-1944)	Stratford, VA
Cunningham, COL Carlton Brown	grandson	(1896-1946)	Chicago, IL
Dancy, MAJ Dr. William Remshart	grandson	(1877-1960)	Savannah, GA
Deford, Samuel Davies Drewry	grandson	(1907-1988)	Richmond, VA
Dennis, MAJ Jere Clemens	son	(1861-1954)	Dadeville, AL
Earle, Dr. Baylis Haynsworth	son	(1870-1942)	Greenville, SC

Gardner, LT James	grandson	(1888-1950)	Augusta, GA
Green, Ernest Matthews	son	(1871-1949)	Raleigh, NC
Hancock, MAJ Walker Kirtland	grandson	(1901-1998)	Gloucester, MA
Hancock, LT Walter Scott	son	(1869-1959)	St. Louis, MO
Holman, Hubert Thomison	grandson	(1905-1994)	Fayetteville, TN
Holman, Wayne James Jr.	grandson	(1907-1985)	Plainfield, NJ
Hopkins, COL Walter Lee	grandson	(1889-1949)	Richmond, VA
Hopkins, MAJ Dr. William Benjamin	grandson	(1883-1952)	Tampa, FL
Hume, MG Edgar Erskine Sr.	son	(1889-1952)	Carlisle, PA
Hurt, Hon. Earl Evans	grandson	(1887-1971)	Dallas, TX
Johnson, Dr. James Vandergrift	grandson	(1889-1944)	Tacoma, WA
Jones, Jonathan Ashley	son	(1871-1956)	Atlanta, GA
Law, William Latta Jr.	grandson	(1896- )	Richmond, VA
Lee, CAPT Dr. George Bolling	son	(1872-1948)	New York, NY
Lesley, Theodore L.	grandson	(1911-1978)	Tampa, FL
McCullough, LTC James D'Alvigny	son	(1877-1952)	Honea Path, SC
McDavid, Albert Calhoun Sr.	grandson	(1887-1964)	San Antonio, TX
McLean, COL James Douglas	grandson	(1894-1958)	Quantico, VA
Old, COL William Whitehurst Jr.	son	(1873-1956)	Norfolk, VA
Opie, BG Hierome Lindsay	grandson	(1880-1943)	Staunton, VA
Pickett, LT Charles	grandson	(1894-1965)	Fairfax, VA
Powe, Thomas Erasmus	son	(1872-1945)	Cheraw, SC
Ratliff, Clifton H	son	(1876-1953)	Redlands, CA
Simmons, Hon. Thomas	son	(1861-1950)	Fort Worth, TX
Slemp, COL Rep. Campbell Bascom	son	(1870-1943)	Knoxville, TN
Smith, William O.	grandson	(1905- )	Dallas, TX
Squires, Rev. William Henry Tappey	son	(1875-1948)	Norfolk, VA
Stephens, Hon. Alexander William	son	(1874-1943)	Atlanta, GA
Tabor, COL Dr. George Reed	son	(1864-1947)	Tishomingo, OK
Tilghman, COL Harrison Samuel	son	(1885-1961)	Easton, MO
Wharton, Roger Daniel	son	(1890- )	Manassas, VA
Wheeler, COL Joseph Jr.	son	(1872-1938)*	Wheeler, AL
Wherry, Douglas	son	(1870- )	Richmond, VA
Wickham, Henry Taylor	son	(1849-1943)	Richmond, VA
Wood, Clement Richardson#	grandson	(1888-1950)	Delanson, NY
Wooten, BG William Preston	son	(1873-1950)	Washington, DC
Wright, Howard Pearce	son	(1881-1966)	Jacksonville, FL

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#Suggested the name for the Order

The following Founders served as Commander-in-Chief of the Order:

1938-1945	Homer Atkinson
1945-1948	George Bolling Lee
1953-1954	William Remshart Dancy