**Joseph Feldkamp, Corporal, Company #**

Joseph Feldkamp was born in Rieste, Osnabruck, Hanover Germany to Joseph and Catherine

Feldkamp. When he was 19, he immigrated to Cincinnati in 1856. Evidently family members were

already there.

He enlisted in the Ohio fourth Cavalry in September of 1861 as a private in Company E. His brother

George enlisted a few months later. He was wounded 3 times - and captured by John Hunt Morgan in

Lexington. He was paroled a day later. He was mustered out in July of 1865, at the end of the Civil

War.

After the war, in Jan of 1866, he married Maria Helmes. They had 8 children - 3 of which lived to

adulthood.

Joseph and his brother George were chair makers. George, in fact, has a patent for a certain type of

chair. They were highly successful in a business called Geo Feldkamp and Bros. This was a retail and

wholesale furniture manufacturing business and store which sold mattresses and bedding as well.

In 1885, there was an extensive fire at this five store facility. It was a total loss.

Later Joseph started his own chair making company with his son, Harry called Jos Feldkamp and Son Chair makers.

He died of heart failure in i903. He is buried at Old St. Joseph in Cincinnati, Ohio