## **MILITARY RECORDS**

## **USEEFUL ADDRESSES & WEB-SITES**

Daughters of the American Revolution 1776 D St., NW Washington, DC 20006-5392 http://www.dar.org/

Confederate Research Center P.O. Box 619
Hillsboro, TX 76645-0619
http://www.hillcollege.edu/
museum/research-center.html

National Personnel Records Center (Military Records)
1 Archives Dr.
St. Louis, MO 63138-1002
https://www.archives.gov/st-louis

General Society of the war of 1812 P.O. Box 106 Mendenhall, PA 19357-0106 http://gsw1812.org/

American Battle Monuments Commission Court House Plaza II, Suite 500 2300 Clarendon Blvd. Arlington, VA 22201-3367 https://www.abmc.gov/

Fold 3 <a href="https://www.fold3.com/index.php?">https://www.fold3.com/index.php?</a>

Naval Resource Guide <a href="http://www.navsource.org/Naval/guide.htm">http://www.navsource.org/Naval/guide.htm</a>

Sons of the American Revolution 1000 S. 4<sup>th</sup> St. Louisville, KY 40203-3208 https://www.sar.org/

Sons of Confederate Veterans P.O. Box 59 Columbia, TN 38402-0059 http://www.scv.org/

National Archives & Records Administration 8601 Adelphi Rd. College Park, MD 20740-6001 https://www.archives.gov/research

United States Daughters of 1812 1461 Rhode Island Ave., NW Washington, DC 2005-5402 <a href="http://www.usdaughters1812.org/home.html">http://www.usdaughters1812.org/home.html</a>

U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs 810 Vermont Ave., NW Washington, DC 20420-0001 <a href="https://www.va.gov/">https://www.va.gov/</a>

Find My Past http://www.findmypast.com/

## THE FIRE

On July 12, 1973, a disastrous fire at the National Personnel Records Center (NPRC) destroyed approximately 16-18 million Official Military Personnel Files (OMPF). The records affected:

Branch	Personnel and Period Affected	Estimated Loss
Army	Personnel discharged November 1, 1912 to January 1, 1960	80%
Air Force	Personnel discharged September 25, 1947 to January 1, 1964 (with names alphabetically after Hubbard, James E.)	75%

No duplicate copies of these records were ever maintained, nor were microfilm copies produced. Neither were any indexes created prior to the fire. In addition, millions of documents had been lent to the Department of Veterans Affairs before the fire occurred. Therefore, a complete listing of the records that were lost is not available. However, in the years following the fire, the NPRC collected numerous series of records (referred to as Auxiliary Records) that are used to reconstruct basic service information.