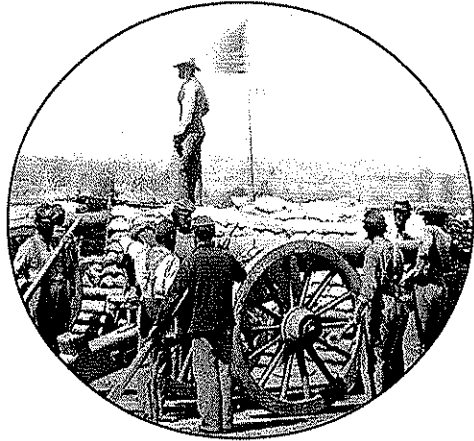


**CIVIL WAR**  
**VOLUNTEER SONS**  
**OF CONNECTICUT**  
**BLAIKIE HINES**



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## SOUTH WINDSOR

THE POPULATION IN 1860 WAS 1,789 (RANK 82)

### THE MOST IMPORTANT DAY OF THE CIVIL WAR

## MAY 16, 1864

### DREWRY'S BLUFF , VA

#### AN OBSTACLE ON THE WAY TO RICHMOND

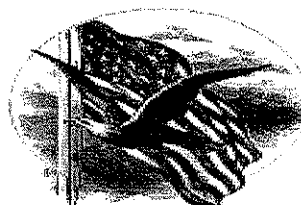
More soldiers credited to South Windsor were listed as casualties (4) on this day than on any other day of the war. Four soldiers were captured in the 7<sup>TH</sup> and 11<sup>TH</sup> Connecticut. One of the captured died in prison.

The date May 16, 1864 ranks 4<sup>th</sup> for total casualties (560) (52 killed, 3 missing, 224 wounded, 243 captured, 38 wounded & captured) for a single day for the State of Connecticut. The Battle of Drewry's Bluff accounted for 545 casualties. There were 15 other casualties scattered about Virginia.

The Battle of Drewry's Bluff (May 13-17, 1864), also called Fort Darling, ranks 3<sup>rd</sup> for total casualties (634) for an engagement for the State of Connecticut. The most intense fighting developed on May 16. South Windsor had all of its casualties on that day.

The Battle of Drewry's Bluff with 4 total casualties for South Windsor was the highest number of casualties for any single engagement of the war for the town.

The Confederate attack at Drewry's Bluff forced the Union Army to retreat to Bermuda Hundred. The civil war would have concluded sooner had the Union Army been victorious.



123 MEN CREDITED TO  
SOUTH WINDSOR SERVED  
IN THE FOLLOWING  
CONNECTICUT  
ORGANIZATIONS

<u>REGIMENT</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
11 <sup>TH</sup>	20 (16%)
12 <sup>TH</sup>	19 (15%)
25 <sup>TH</sup>	16 (13%)
16 <sup>TH</sup>	14 (11%)
22 <sup>ND</sup>	10 (8%)
7 <sup>TH</sup>	9 (7%)
12 <sup>TH</sup> BATTALION	8 (7%)
1 <sup>ST</sup> HEAVY ARTILLERY	6 (5%)
6 <sup>TH</sup>	5 (4%)
5 <sup>TH</sup>	4 (4%)
21 <sup>ST</sup>	4 (3%)
10 <sup>TH</sup>	3 (2%)
20 <sup>TH</sup>	3 (2%)
29 <sup>TH</sup>	3 (2%)
1 <sup>ST</sup>	2 (2%)
1 <sup>ST</sup> LIGHT BATTERY	2 (2%)
2 <sup>ND</sup> LIGHT BATTERY	2 (2%)
14 <sup>TH</sup>	2 (2%)
2 <sup>ND</sup> HEAVY ARTILLERY	1
1 <sup>ST</sup> CAVALRY	1
8 <sup>TH</sup>	1
15 <sup>TH</sup>	1
30 <sup>TH</sup>	1

7% OF POPULATION

**THREE WERE KILLED**

The first South Windsor soldier killed was Private George Bills of Company D, 12<sup>TH</sup> Connecticut. He was killed at New Bern, NC on March 14, 1862.

**SOUTH WINDSOR SOLDIERS  
KILLED**

<u>PLACE</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>NO.</u>
New Bern, NC (11 <sup>TH</sup> )	3/14/62	1
Antietam, MD (11 <sup>TH</sup> )	9/17/62	1
Chancellorsville, VA (20 <sup>TH</sup> )	5/3/63	1

**ELEVEN WERE CAPTURED**

One South Windsor soldier died in captivity at Andersonville Prison, GA.

**SOUTH WINDSOR CAPTURED  
\*(1) DIED IN CAPTIVITY**

<u>PLACE</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>NO.</u>
Pattersonville, LA (12 <sup>TH</sup> )	3/27/63	1
Pattersonville, LA (12 <sup>TH</sup> )	3/28/63	1
Brashear City, LA (25 <sup>TH</sup> )	6/23/63	1
Drewry's Bluff, VA (7,11 <sup>TH</sup> ) *1	5/16/64	4
Cedar Creek, VA (12 <sup>TH</sup> )	10/19/64	1
Federal Point, NC (6 <sup>TH</sup> )	1/18/65	1
Petersburg, VA (1 HA)	3/5/65	1
Burgan, NC (6 <sup>TH</sup> )	4/8/65	1

**TOTAL SOUTH WINDSOR  
CASUALTIES**

<b>DIED</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>11%</b>
<b>KILLED</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>2%</b>
<b>WOUNDED</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>15%</b>
<b>CAPTURED</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>9%</b>
<b>DESERTED</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>15%</b>

**NINETEEN WERE  
WOUNDED**

The first South Windsor soldier wounded was Private Ezra Irish of Company D, 12<sup>TH</sup> Connecticut. He was wounded accidentally at West Hartford, CT on February 11, 1862 and died from his wound. Two South Windsor soldiers died from a wound received during the war.

**SOUTH WINDSOR WOUNDED  
\*(2) DIED FROM WOUNDS**

<u>PLACE</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>NO.</u>
West Hartford, CT (12 <sup>TH</sup> ) *	2/11/62	1
New Bern, NC (11 <sup>TH</sup> )	3/20/62	1
James Island, SC (11 <sup>TH</sup> ) *	6/16/62	1
Antietam, MD (11, 16 <sup>TH</sup> )	9/17/62	2
Fredericksburg, VA (14 <sup>TH</sup> )	12/13/62	1
Baton Rouge, LA (25 <sup>TH</sup> )	3/9/63	1
Irish Bend, LA (25 <sup>TH</sup> )	4/14/63	2
Suffolk, VA (21 <sup>ST</sup> )	5/3/63	1
Port Hudson, LA (12 <sup>TH</sup> )	6/14/63	1
Port Hudson, LA (25 <sup>TH</sup> )	6/27/63	1
Cold Harbor, VA (11 <sup>TH</sup> )	6/3/64	2
Petersburg, VA (11 <sup>TH</sup> )	6/18/64	1
Kenesaw Mountain, GA (5 <sup>TH</sup> )	6/19/64	1
Cedar Creek, VA (12 <sup>TH</sup> )	10/19/64	2
Kell House, VA (29 <sup>TH</sup> )	10/27/64	1