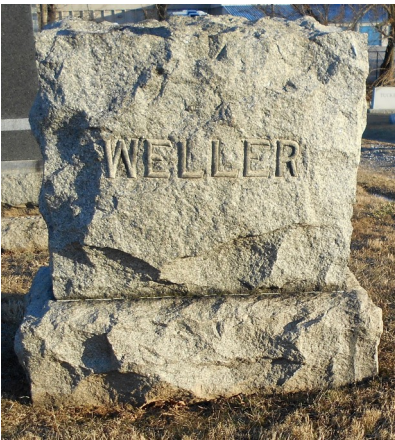
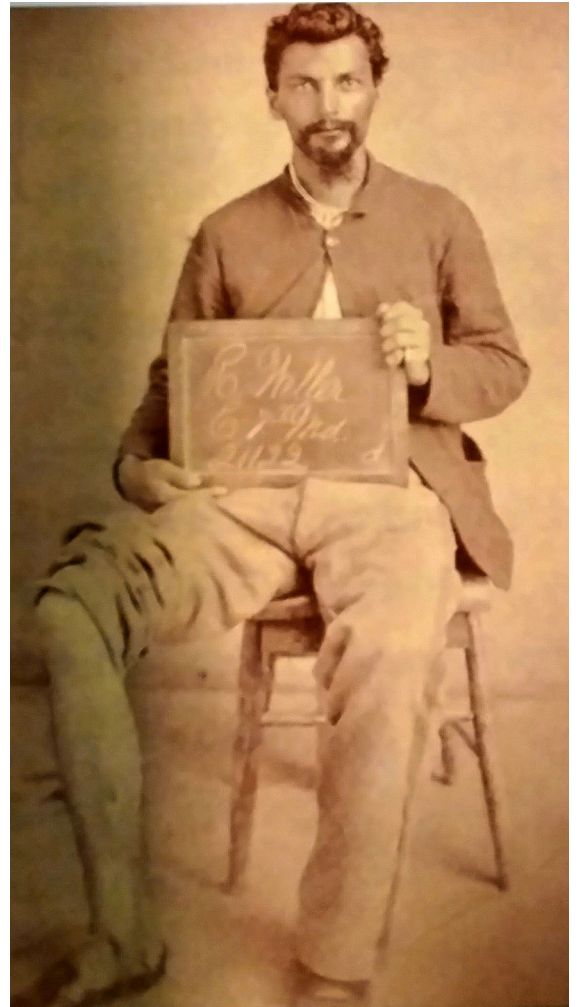


# Cpl. Robert N. Weller,

## Co. E

Between 1862 and 1865 the 7th Maryland lost 1 officer and 78 enlisted men killed or mortally wounded and 1 officer and 109 enlisted men to disease. The last 7th Maryland casualties occurred in early April 1865 as the Union Army (including the 7th Maryland as part of the Army of the Potomac's V Corps) pursued the Confederate Army of Northern Virginia from Petersburg to Appomattox Court House. On the morning of April 9, 1865, Confederate General Robert E. Lee launched a last-ditch attack to try and break through the Union forces encircling him. The V Corps quickly deployed in support of Union cavalry confronting the Confederate attack and blocked the escape attempt. Soon after white flags appeared as news of the Confederate surrender passed along the lines.

On November 10, 1862, Robert enlisted in Company E of the 7th Maryland in Baltimore. He was recorded as being 5' 6" tall, of dark complexion with brown hair and dark eyes. His younger brother Henry (aged 19) had already enlisted in Company E in August 1862. Robert was sick in a Washington hospital from September 1863 to March 1864, returning to duty in time for the Overland Campaign in the Spring of 1864. He was again sick in the division hospital in August 1864. Following his injury at Appomattox Court House Robert was treated at Harewood Hospital in Washington before being discharged with a Certificate of Disability in June 1865. He filed for a War Department pension in 1870. Robert's brother Henry also survived the Civil War despite being captured twice in October 1863 and March 1865.



Returning home to Maryland, Robert continued working as a wheelwright and carpenter. He and Eliza Jane eventually had five children, though only three lived to adulthood (two daughters and a son). Robert passed away February 14, 1906 (aged 69) and was buried in Mount Olive Cemetery in Randallstown, Maryland, in a Weller family plot. Eliza Jane died December 14, 1922, and was laid to rest near him.

*Note: Photo of Robert Nelson Weller courtesy*

