

Arkansas Grand Army of the Republic Commander

1886

Charles Clary Waters

Birth: Mar. 5, 1844

Death: Oct. 22, 1927

Burial: Oakland and Fraternal Historic Cemetery Park, Little Rock, Pulaski County, AR

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Hon. CHARLES CLARY WATERS, lawyer, was born at Munfordsville, Hart county, Kentucky, in 1844, a son of Andrew and Harriet M. (Clary) Waters. His father was born in Massachusetts, was educated at Amherst College and was a teacher by profession. He came west and south, engaged in educational work in Tennessee and Kentucky and eventually established at Bowling Green, Kentucky, a preparatory school in which youths were fitted for college. The immediate subject of this notice was educated principally under his father's preceptorship. The family removed to Litchfield, Illinois, and later to Bunker Hill, in that state. At Litchfield, in 1862, on becoming eighteen years old, young Waters enlisted in Company A, Ninety-first Regiment, Illinois Volunteer Infantry, as a member of which organization he served about a year, chiefly in Kentucky. He was then commissioned a first lieutenant in the Fifty-sixth United States Infantry and was later promoted to a captaincy. He served with that regiment during the remainder of the war. Its headquarters were principally at Helena, Arkansas, and when hostilities were at an end he liked Arkansas well enough to decide to remain here. Taking up the study of law in this state, he was in 1866-67 a student at the Harvard Law School. He was admitted to the bar in Helena in 1867. In 1867-71 he was prosecuting attorney for the first judicial circuit, which embraced several counties along the Arkansas river. In 1871 he represented Phillips county in the state

legislature. He was in 1871-74 judge of the criminal court of that county. His home was at Helena until 1876, when he removed to Little Rock to become United States district attorney for the Eastern district of Arkansas, to which office he was appointed by President Grant and which he filled with great ability for thirteen years under subsequent appointments by Presidents Hayes, Arthur and Harrison. Since relinquishing that position he has given attention to private law practice and officiated as referee in bankruptcy for the western division of the Eastern district of the United States district court in Arkansas, embracing about seventeen counties. Captain Waters is a member of the Loyal Legion and of the Grand Army of the Republic for the state of Arkansas. Kate (Phillips) Waters, his wife, was born at Eastport, Mississippi. They have a son, C. Phil Waters, of Little Rock, and a daughter, Mrs. Hattie Russell, of Dallas, Texas.

Spouse: Kate Phillips (1854 - 1927)

Children: Charles Phillips Waters (1878 - 1929)