

150 Years After the U.S. Civil War

Whether our ancestors wore Blue or Gray, their DNA runs deep within us. Please join the NEAGS as we remember our ancestors and the lives they lived during this terrible time in the history of our nation.

Many of you have already found the Confederate soldier and documented his service. You may have joined the Sons of Confederate Veterans or the United Daughters of the Confederacy. How many have found a Union soldier and researched his service? We want to honor everyone who lived during this period in our history.

Friday Evening Dinner Theater

On **Friday evening March 21, 2014** a **Memorial Dinner Theater** at the Pitman Theater will honor our Civil War Ancestors. A special dinner similar to what might have been served during a time prior to the Civil War in the south when food was in good supply. *"My Grandfather's Watch"*, an original program written by Steve Gipson & performed by Steve & Allison Gipson of Button Willow Church in Whitwell, Tennessee, will be shown.

Dress – Casual *unless* you would wish to dress in Civil War period finest. Check the special box on the registration form *IF* the ladies plan to wear hoops. **Discount** available *IF* attending both Fri. & Sat. events.

Saturday NEAGS Ancestor Swap Meet ~ "North & South"

Saturday, March 22nd

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9am – 3pm \$20.00 each at Senior Center 623 Broad St., Gadsden, AL

Friday, March 21st

"Memorial Dinner Theater"

6pm – 9pm \$20.00 at Pitman Theater 629 Broad St., Gadsden, AL

DISCOUNTS AVAILABLE IF PURCHASED BY MAR. 8TH



Speaker, J. Mark Lowe

See <u>http://neags.com</u> for flyer & registration form & last information.

Sat., March 22, 2014 the **Ancestor Swap Meet** will be held at the Senior Activity Center. The day will be divided into two sessions -- one will explore the North and the other session the South. New information & areas to research will make the Ancestor Swap Meet a good day for all attending. *Mark Lowe, professional genealogist, is our special guest speaker.*

Due to space limitations, no Civil War dress at the Saturday meeting. As usual the day will be filled with fellowship, fun, and door prizes *PLUS* a hot lunch at no extra charge.

To keep memories alive, **please send us a story or stories about your Civil War ancestors (North or South)**. All stories will go in a special notebook for at Nichols Library or if you prefer in a family file. Email stories to <u>ancestorswapmeet@bellsouth.net</u> or bring by Nichols Library (open on Thu). Maximum two (2) pages per story. Digital format preferred.

Use Registration Form to reserve either or both events. **NOTE:** Fri Dinner Theater by RESERVATION ONLY. AVAILABLE UNTIL MAR 8th. No 'late' admission at the door. Sat., Ancestor Swap Meet Registration at the door - \$25.

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