

CONFEDERATE MEDAL OF HONOR EFFORT UPDATE

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As you now know Kennesaw Camp 700 has taken up the effort to nominate a most deserving Confederate veteran for our highest award. He is Sergeant Isaac Peter Collier of Company K, 5th. Regiment Georgia Volunteer Infantry. Sgt. Collier was from Upson, County.

Since our last meeting I have accomplished several things in this effort and want to update the Camp. My brother and I were gone for eleven days during the first half of May on a whirlwind trip to such places as Richmond, Five Forks, Malvern Hill, Chancellorsville, Ellwood Plantation, (burial site of Stonewall Jackson's arm), Manassas, Fredericksburg, Lee Chapel and VMI, Luray Caverns, Guinea Station, etc, and etc. I have been busy!

————— ITEMS ACCOMPLISHED —————

- \* Contacted our fellow SCV'er of the Stone Mountain Camp and told him we would indeed take-up the effort to nominate Sgt. Collier. Chris Davis was my contact and the one who brought the valliant deeds of Sgt. Collier to my attention.
- \* Chris was very pleased and volunteered to furnish me with all the necessary clean duplicate copies of all necessary information that had to be submitted with the application form.
- \* I made handout copies of SCV information concerning the Confederate Medal Of Honor, also copies of information concerning a Maryland receipt. These will be handed out at an upcoming meeting.
- \* Received a timely excerpt from Above And Beyond, A history of the Medal of Honor from the Civil War to Vietnam, from Camp Adj. Lee Alexander. This proved most helpful later.
- \* Called Gregg Clemmer, of the Medal of Honor Committee. He lives in Germantown, Maryland. I asked for an application form and we discussed at length the Confederate Medal of Honor and things military in general. If awarded to Sgt. Collier the Camp's fee will be 49% or \$100. The SCV covers the other 51% of the cost.
- \* Contacted the National Headquarters.
- \* Received large package of copies mentioned above from Chris Davis and also received SCV application form mentioned above as well.
- \* Studied information and began thought processes.

By the time of our July meeting SCV application form will have been completed with a cover letter produced and all copied and most likely the entire package will have been mailed in for consideration.