

Head-Quarters, 1st Div. 14th A. C.

Kingston, Ga., Nov. 8th, 1864.

Colonel:

As you have left the Military Service of the United States after serving through the term for which you enlisted, I wish to give you this testimonial of my respect for you as an Officer and as a man. You have belonged to my Command for thirteen months, during which you have participated in many of the most important battles that have occurred in this War. From Lookout Mountain and Mission Ridge to Jonesboro, you have never failed to fight the enemy with courage, zeal and skill. You have always kept your Command in such a state of discipline as to give me the assurance that all was well where you commanded, and in consequence thereof, you and your Regiment have probably been called upon to do more than an equal share of duty.

Whether you remain in Civil life or return in the course of the War to the Army, I shall wish you success, and sincerely recommend you to the favor of your fellow citizens and to your Governor and the President.

Very Respectfully,

Your most obdt. servant,

Wm. P. Carlin,

Brig. Gen'l.

To

Lt. Col. D. F. Griffin,

late of

38th Ind. Vet. Vols.

(Copy.)

Arranged by Mary G. Griffin, Typewritten by Ella Compton,

Louisville, Kentucky,

February, 1899.

Note - 257 letters
M. Griffin
Feb. 20 - 1933

Important fights in which the
 38th Ind. Vol. Regiment
 engaged, during period covered
 by dates on letters in this book

- Before Atlanta, Ga.
 - Buzzards Roost.
 - Chattahoochie.
 - Chickamauga, Ga.
 - Dug Gap.
 - Hoover's Gap, Tenn.
 - Jonesboro.
 - Kennesaw Mountain.
 - Lookout Mountain.
 - Mission Ridge.
 - New Hope Church.
 - Perryville, Ky. (or Chaplin Hill.)
 - Resaca.
 - Stone River.
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Commissions Conferred On

D. F. Griffin;

1861-66. Inc.

* Captain: Anderson Rifle's Independent Company
for the Indiana Legion, New Albany,
Wayne County, Indiana. MAY. 30TH 1861

* 1st Lt. and Adj't: Thirty Eighth Ind. Regiment.
= mustered out 3/24/62 = SEPT. 20TH 1861

* Major: Thirty Eighth Ind. Regiment.
= mustered in 2/25/62. = FEB. 22ND 1862
= mustered out 9/25/62 =

* Lt. Colonel: Thirty Eighth Ind. Regiment.
= mustered in 9/26/62 = SEPT. 4TH 1862
- Vice Meriwether, resigned. =

* Colonel: Thirty Eighth Ind. Reg. Vols.
Vice B. H. Ordway, resigned. AUG. 22ND 1864

* Colonel By Brevet. MCH. 13TH 1865

* Brigadier General By Brevet. MCH. 13TH 1865

* Commissions signed by Oliver P. Morton, Gov. Ind.
* " " " " Andrew Johnson, President.

In April 1, 1862 - Assigned to duty on staff of
the General commanding, as Brigade
Inspector and Ordnance Store Keeper
until relieved by Major Kennedy - JUNE 27-1862

Leave of absence (Annapolis) for 15 days - April. 19TH 1865

Placed in recruiting service during 36 days stay of Regiment in
New Albany Ind. After returning at Nashville, Ga. Dec. 20-1865.

Head-Quarters Dept. of the Columbia,

Anseover Barracks, Wash., June 14th, 1892.

Mrs. D. F. Griffin,

My Dear Madam:-

Please accept my cordial and heartfelt thanks for your congratulations on my appointment as Brigadier General in the Army. I feel sure that you spoke the sentiments of your gallant and noble husband when you wrote me; for I believe he would heartily have congratulated me had he lived to hear of my promotion.

As the widow of so brave and patriotic a soldier, I feel honored and indeed in receiving your congratulations.

Sincerely yours,

William F. Carlisle