

J.N. Harrison

Born

Died:

Period of Service: Civil War,
Mexican War, Florida War
Sources: *J Miner Early Days*,
Military Record Rock Island
DCA 3/30/1865 B10 F2

Entered in Land Office in 1865.

Served in the Regular Army in the Florida War, and also in the Mexican War. In the early 1870's his widow sold the Point to William Betts, "so the point has never been owned by anyone but soldiers since it was bought from Uncle Sam 60 years ago." (J. Miner)

He was drafted in the last draft of the Civil War, but possibly did not serve as the war ended about two weeks later. (DCA March 30, 1865)

NOTE: Jesse Miner included a brief item on Harrison's Point in his *Military Record of Rock Island*:

"Harrison's Point was bought by H.D. Miner in 1853, who was a soldier in the Civil War. It was sold in 1855 to John Beam, who was also a soldier and killed in battle in 1857(sic) He sold to M. Craw who went to the army with his three sons in 1865. J.N. Harrison who had been a soldier in the Mexican War bought the point in the early seventies, his widow sold it to Wm. Betts."

"Other soldiers who have lived at the Point are Wm. D. Lee, who served in the 42nd Illinois Regiment. He was killed at the battle of Chicamauga September 19, 1963. John Ritchie fished there in 1859 and was a soldier in an Illinois Regiment. Mr. Berbage (sic), shoemaker at the Point from 1860-1862, although not a Mexican soldier, was a drummer boy at the battle of Waterloo. Ed Childs, brother-in-law of M. Craw, also served in a Wisconsin regiment. John Warren fished there in 1869. He had served in a Wisconsin Regiment and was badly wounded in the shoulder. Thus the Point has been owned by soldiers continuously for 58 years and has had an even dozen American soldiers residing there."

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