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Born at _____________________________, Kentucky, _______ 18 (about 1826)

Son of ____________________________ and ____________________________

Enlisted at Sacramento, November 15, 1861, to serve 3 years as Private, Company E, 5th California Infantry, and stationed at Camp Union until January, 1862; went with the Company to Southern California and arrived at Fort Yuma in April; marched via the Gila route to Tucson and stationed there from July until December; the Company was at Fort Bowie from January to May, 1863; was on the Rio Grande until May, 1864, and then joined the Gila River expedition to establish Fort Goodwin, A.T.; marched back to Mesilla in November, 1864, where he was honorably discharged when the Company was mustered out on the 30th of that month.

Mentioned by John H. Marion as a very early pioneer in Yavapai County and the Parish History of Arizona names him as a settler in the Salt River Valley about 1870; the Arizona Miner of February 12, 1875, refers to him as a freighter between Prescott and Ehrenburg; the Miner for September 21, 1875 stated that:

John Moon has returned from the Final Mountains and informs us that he has located a hog ranch and proposes to raise bacon for the Final mines.

Listed U. S. Census 1880 at Skull Valley, Yavapai County, A.T., age 54, born in Kentucky, occupation - Stockraiser; he was living there in 1890 when he applied for a pension.

Died at ____________________________ on September 10, 1905, buried at Cemetery

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

Orton, R.H. - Records of California men in the War of the Rebellion, Sacramento, 1890, p. 697.
U. S. Veterans Administration - Pension records, S.C.651,413
The Arizona Miner, Prescott, February 12, 1875, and September 21, 1875, 3:12.
The Prescott Courier, July 7, 1891 (list of pioneers)

Obituaries in Arizona newspapers and any further mention in the indexes.