

Wiley Hicks served two enlistments in Captain William Cone's Company of 1st Regiment of Florida Mounted Militia. The first was from August 16, 1840 to September 15, 1840. He was mustered in again on November 23, 1840 at San Pedro and mustered out at Fort Maccoomb on March 3, 1841. His company was involved in battles near Camp Pleasant and Fort Jackson.

Wiley Hicks married Elizabeth Whittimore in Camden County, Georgia on April 15, 1841. She was born in Georgia in April 1827. They had twelve children but only ten are known.

1. Isabella Hicks, born 1843.
2. Henry Hicks, born October 1845; died Sept. 24, 1919; married 1st, Phoebe Tillis about 1865 - Phoebe was the daughter of Richard Tillis of Polk County; married 2nd, on Nov. 21, 1886 Mrs. Marcilla M. (Smith) Rutledge, widow of Sherrod J. Rutledge.
3. Eli Hicks, born 1846; married Phoebe _____.
4. James Hicks, born March 1849; died 1913; married Mary Ann M. Durden on April 25, 1878 in Bradford County, Florida.
5. Francis "Frank" Hicks, born 1851; married Elizabeth _____.
6. Wiley Hicks, Jr., born 1856; died 1935; married Caroline Elizabeth Ballard on June 1, 1879 in Polk County.
7. George W. Hicks, born October 1858; died 1940; married Ada Ardell _____.
8. Mary Elizabeth Hicks, born Feb. 7, 1865; died Dec. 13, 1906; married on June 9, 1884 in Polk County, John B. Tillis, son of Richard Tillis.
9. William Benjamin Hicks, born Oct. 4, 1867; died April 29, 1938; married on June 23, 1887, Bettie Peters, daughter of William Seaborn Peters.
10. Robert E. Hicks, born Aug. 15, 1870; died Jan. 1, 1928; married Mary _____.

Wiley Hicks lived near the St. Mary's area for about a year after his last Indian War service, then moved into Alachua County near the Suwannee. On November 6, 1850 he applied for bounty land based on his military service. Warrant #5863 for 160 acres was issued to him on July 5, 1851.

During the Civil War, Wiley was a member of Company A of 1st (Reserves) Florida Infantry of the Confederate Army. His sons, Eli & Henry were also members of the Confederate Army.

Near the end of the war Wiley moved to Waldo, Florida where he operated a dry goods and grocery store. About 1870 Wiley moved to Polk County settling in the Medulla area. Wiley died there on Feb. 10, 1890 and was buried at Fitzgerald Cemetery.

Mrs. Elizabeth Hicks applied for a widow's pension on August 29, 1898. She received this pension until her death on Dec. 3, 1904. She was buried in Fitzgerald Cemetery at Medulla, Florida.