Alabama Military Records

General Sources of Information

The ADAH Public Information Subject Files: Alabamians at War collection contains records which document the participation of Alabamians in the following wars: Revolutionary War; War of 1812 and Creek War of 1813-1814; Creek War of 1836; Texas Revolution; Mexican War; Spanish-American War; World War I; World War II; Korean War; and Vietnam War. ADAH staff compiled the information from clippings, brochures, reference correspondence, photocopies and typescripts of original documents, and various printed materials in the ADAH collections. Most of the information is about people and events associated with the various wars. Information compiled about the Civil War is in a separate collection, the ADAH Public Information Subject Files: Civil War and Reconstruction.

Books, manuscripts, and other materials are described in the online catalog. Materials include both private collections and government records. Use the general search terms suggested in the links below, or look for specific names of people, places, or events.

Some photographs and documents have been scanned and are available in the digital collections. Browse by topic within each collection or search for particular people or places.

The Archives staff can also perform limited research for a fee. Submit a request using the Research Request Form.

American Revolution

- Thomas McAdory Owen, Revolutionary Soldiers in Alabama
- ADAH Public Information Subject Files: Alabamians at War
- Books and manuscript material (search the online catalog for "American Revolution")

War of 1812 and Creek War of 1813-1814

- ADAH Public Information Subject Files: Alabamians at War
- Alabama militia service cards (on microfilm in Research Room)
- Books and manuscript material (search the online catalog for "War of 1812" or "Creek War 1813")
  - Mississippi Territory militia general military information
  - Mississippi Territory militia correspondence
- Digital collections

Creek War of 1836

- ADAH Public Information Subject Files: Alabamians at War
- Alabama militia service cards (on microfilm in Research Room)
- Books and manuscript material (search the online catalog for "Creek War 1836")
  - Governor Clement Comer Clay militia files
  - Governor Arthur Bagby militia files
- Digital collections
Texas Revolution
- ADAH Public Information Subject Files: Alabamians at War
- Alabama militia service cards (on microfilm in Research Room)
- Books and manuscript material (search the online catalog for "Texas Revolution")
  - Governor Benjamin Fitzpatrick militia files
- Digital collections

Mexican War
- ADAH Public Information Subject Files: Alabamians at War
- Alabama Mexican War volunteers service cards (on microfilm in Research Room)
- Books and manuscript material (search the online catalog for "Mexican War" or "War with Mexico")
  - Governor Joshua L. Martin militia files
- Digital collections

Civil War
- ADAH Public Information Subject Files: Civil War and Reconstruction
- Alabama Civil War Service Records Database
- Willis Brewer, *Brief Historical Sketches of Military Organizations Raised in Alabama During the Civil War*
- National Archives compiled service records (on Fold3 in the Research Room)
- Books and manuscript material (search the online catalog for "Civil War")
  - Governor Andrew B. Moore, 1857-1861
  - Governor John Gill Shorter, 1861-1863
  - Governor Thomas Hill Watts, 1863-1865
  - Confederate regimental history files (see also digital collections below)
  - Confederate Alabama militia and home guard unit files
  - Alabama Civil War unit muster rolls (on Ancestry.com in the Research Room)
  - Confederate pension applications (on microfilm and Ancestry.com in the Research Room)
  - 1907 and 1921 censuses of Confederate soldiers in Alabama (on microfilm and Ancestry.com in the Research Room)
  - Confederate pensioners' records (on Ancestry.com in the Research Room)
- Digital collections
  - Alabama Civil War and Reconstruction Newspapers
  - Alabama Civil War Period Flag Collection
  - Confederate Regimental History Files

Spanish-American War
- ADAH Public Information Subject Files: Alabamians at War
- Alabama military service cards (on microfilm in Research Room)
- Books and manuscript material (search the online catalog for "World War 1914-1918")
  - Governor Joseph Forney Johnston administrative files
  - Alabama Adjutant General’s Office administrative files
- Digital collections
World War I

- ADAH Public Information Subject Files: Alabamians at War
- Alabama World War I draft registration records (on microfilm and Ancestry.com in the Research Room)
- Books and manuscript material (search the online catalog for "World War 1914-1918")
  - Governor Charles Henderson administrative files
  - Alabama Adjutant General’s Office administrative files
  - Alabama Council of Defense administrative files
- Digital collections
  - Alabama World War I Service Records
  - Alabama World War I Gold Star Files

World War II

- ADAH Public Information Subject Files: Alabamians at War
- Surname clipping files (on microfilm in the Research Room)
- Books and manuscript material (search the online catalog for "World War 1939-1945")
  - Governor Frank Dixon administrative files
  - Governor Chauncey Sparks administrative files
  - Alabama Secretary of State military absentee ballots
  - Alabama Council of Defense administrative files
- Digital collections
  - Alabama Active Military Service Reports

Korean War

- ADAH Public Information Subject Files: Alabamians at War
- Surname clipping files (on microfilm in the Research Room)
- Books and manuscript material (search the online catalog for "Korean War")
- Digital collections
  - Alabama Active Military Service Reports

Vietnam War

- ADAH Public Information Subject Files: Alabamians at War
- Surname clipping files (on microfilm in the Research Room)
- Books and manuscript material (search the online catalog for "Vietnam")
- Digital collections
  - Alabama Active Military Service Reports