

Civil War Project How-To Form

(How to Use the Website www.vermontcivilwar.org)

My Civil War soldier's name is

1. Type in the URL www.vermontcivilwar.org. Vermont in the Civil War history site will appear. This is the very best site to find out information about men who served from Vermont in the Civil War.
2. At the top right hand corner will be a list of options in red.
3. Click on "Search for a soldier!" Making sure you spell the soldier's name correctly, type in the last name followed by a comma and then the first name. (Example: Boeri-Boyce, Jennifer) If you have spelled and capitalized everything correctly, your soldier will come up. If there are two names, choose the one that is credited to Hartford. Not all soldiers will be correctly credited to Hartford. One or two people per classroom may find out that this database says a different town name.
4. Underneath the soldier's information is a paragraph explaining the abbreviations. Read and find out as much information about your soldier as you can. Write it down! Use the sheets provided to keep track of the information you find.
5. Return to the homepage. Look at the right hand corner again and click on "Site Map". Scroll down to the "I" section and click on "Infantry Units". This main page will tell you about Vermont's participation in the war. However, on the left are listed all the regiments. Find your soldier's regiment and click on it. This new page will have an entire history of what your soldier's regiment did during the war. On the left are additional choices. Use this part to find out as much as you can about your soldier's experience. Write it down on the forms provided.

Example: What dates did he serve? This can help you find out what battles he participated in and where he spent his time. The choices "Organization and Service", "Timeline", and "Rosters" can provide a lot of very useful information.