

In Civil War he enlisted in Company H 3rd Illinois Cavalry August 21, 1861. Was with General Freemont in the fall of 1861 in Southwest Missouri. Was with General Curtis army in the Spring of 1862 in Southwest Missouri and Northeast Arkansas. Was at the battle of Pea Ridge on March 6th & 7th, 1862. Was with a part of the Company in Southeast Missouri with the command of Co. S.H. Boyd in the summer of 1862. Was with General Sherman in his attack on Haines Bluff in the rear of Vicksburg. In the last days of 1862 was with General McClellan at the battle of Arkansas Post.

In June 1863 was with Hd Qtr 13 Army Corps all through the Vicksburg and Jackson campaign. In the Summer of 1863 was with General Franklin in Southwest Louisiana. From June 1863 until July 1864 was at Port Hudson, La. at which he was promoted to Corporal. Was at Memphis, Tennessee and in the fight with Forrest in his raid on that place on the 21st of August 1864. Was a scout and in skirmishes too numerous to mention.

Was mustered out Sept, 5, 1864 at Springfield, Illinois after serving a little more than three years.