

JACOB B. WHEELER GRAVE .

Location : On road from Panthersville to Wesley Chapel. 15th. District, DeKalb County. Panthersville District. *(See Note)

Recorded April 21, 1932.

Wheeler had been in a convalescent hospital at Flat Shoals on South River.

In August, 1864 some of Sherman's foragers raided the section and the sick soldiers organized to meet them. In the fight that followed Wheeler was killed. His body being left in the woods, was found by Dr. H. J. Fowler, of the neighborhood. He enlisted the aid of A. C. Tuggle, another citizen of the area and something of a carpenter. He made a plank coffin and Wheeler was buried at night by star light. A small Testament on the body furnished identification

In an article by Sarge Plunkett in the Constitution in April, 1895, contributions were invited for a grave marker. In July of that year an upright slab, some four feet tall, was erected at the lone grave by the side of the road. For inscription see next page.

* re-burial in the Wheeler family plot in the Elim Baptist Church Cemetery in Hinesville, Ga. on December 16, 1978.

Jacob B. Wheeler Grave (cont.)

In Memory
of
Jacob B. Wheeler
of Liberty Co.
Member of
The 5th. Ga. Cavalry Co. D
was killed while
Defending his country
Aug. 1864.
He was a noble and brave
Confederate Soldier.

Erected by the Ladies
Memorial Society of
Panthersville
July 1895.