

**OHIO CIVIL WAR MEDAL 33RD INFANTRY REGIMENT MEDAL. SERVED
CHICKAMAUGA, LOOKOUT MOUNTAIN, MISSIONARY RIDGE ETC**



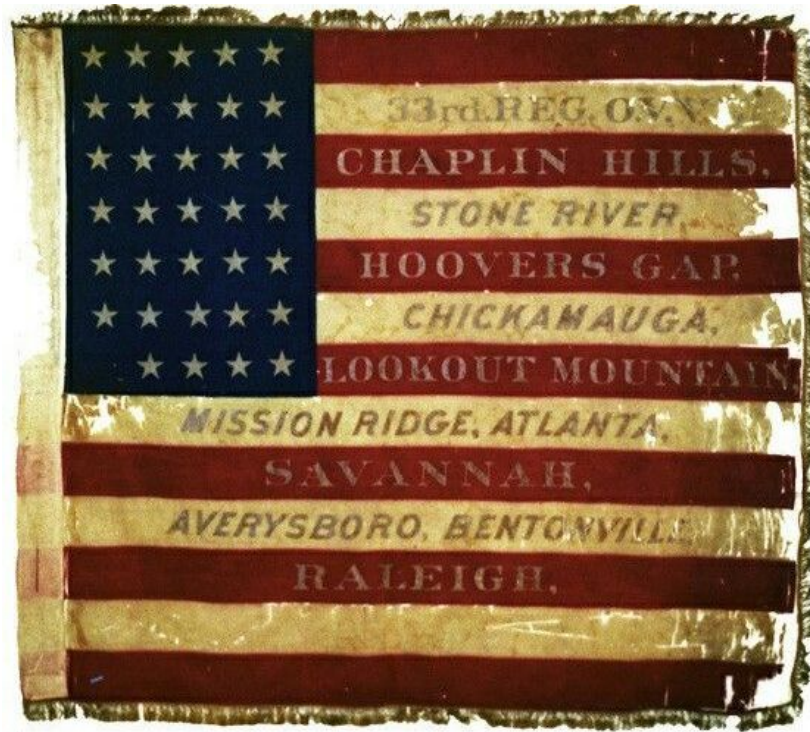
STATE OF OHIO CIVIL WAR VETERAN MEDAL 'WM H. H. YOOKEN, CO G 33D
REGT INFT'

William H.H. Yoakum, age of 22, enlisted as a private on September 11, 1861. He mustered into the 33rd Ohio Infantry, Co. G and participated in many important battles including Chickamauga, Lookout Mountain, Missionary ridge etc. His regiment joined with Sherman and participated in his infamous march to the sea. He mustered out of service on August 12, 1865. He moved to Indiana, married, had five children, and worked as a day labourer until his death in 1916.

OHIO THIRTY-THIRD INFANTRY (Three Years)

This regiment was organized at Portsmouth, from Aug. 27 to Oct. 11, 1861, to serve for three years. It entered the service with an aggregate of 839 men and joined the forces of Gen. Nelson at Maysville, Ky. Its service was somewhat varied during the first year, but it was in no actual engagement until at Perryville, where it went into the fight with 400 muskets and lost 129 men killed and wounded, 25 of whom were buried on the field. It took part in the battle of Chickamauga, going into action with 343 men, and losing in killed, wounded and missing, 168. It fell back with the main army to Rossville and Chattanooga and was cooped up in that beleaguered city until Nov. 24, when it participated in the battle of Lookout mountain and lost heavily. It then rejoined its division and took part in carrying Missionary ridge, losing in that brilliant affair 31 men out of 200 engaged. The regiment then veteranized and after being furloughed home joined Gen. Sherman's forces on the Atlanta campaign, participating in the battles of Resaca, Cassville, Kennesaw mountain, Peachtree creek, and Jonesboro. The aggregate number of officers and men killed and wounded in this campaign was about 170. The 33d followed Hood as far as Villanow, Ga., in his mad movement toward Nashville, after which it accompanied Sherman in his march to the sea and the campaign through the Carolinas. At Bentonville, N. C., it suffered severely, paying there its last tribute to the cause of the Union. It then made the triumphant march through the Confederate capital

to Washington, where it participated in the grand review; was then taken to Louisville, Ky., and mustered out on July 12, 1865



The state of Ohio authorized Tiffany & Company of New York to provide 20,000 medals to recognize those soldiers from Ohio who re-enlisted from the state under War Department General Orders, No. 191, which called for "Veteran Volunteers." These were soldiers who completed their tour of duty and then signed up for further duty as a Veteran Volunteer. The medals were distributed in the summer of 1866 and were officially engraved with the name and unit. The medals were very much based on the British Crimea War medal. Today, the conditions of the medals vary greatly but are more often than not found as discs only due to the very poor suspension design.

Condition, missing top clasp. Still has suspension clip and pin. Disc in excellent condition with nice age toning