

Save the Colors!

"The Will County Regiment"

100th Illinois Volunteer Infantry Regiment

At the end of the Civil War, the volunteer units returning home turned in their national and regimental colors, or flags, to the State of Illinois. Among those units was the 100th Illinois Infantry, "the Will County Regiment".

Civil War flags were made of weighted silk and painted with oil based paints. Silk is a natural product and due to age the silk has become brittle and has in many cases "turned to dust." Many of the flags are now beyond salvage and with the passing of time eventually all of them will disintegrate if not properly conserved. This flag would have been a symbol of great pride to the men who served under it.

Our campaign is to raise \$40,000 to restore the national colors of the 100th Illinois infantry and bring them to the Joliet Area Historical Museum for display. Please won't you help to commemorate the sesquicentennial anniversary of our area's Civil War history with a contribution?

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The 100th Illinois fought at the engagements listed on their flag.

The regiment was formed in Joliet with men from Will County.

They left in September, 1862 and returned in June of 1865.

