

## Major Philip Cook

Captain Philip Cook, 8<sup>th</sup> United States Infantry was a commanding officer who was promoted to Major on 15 August 1813. Major Cook mustered in 2,500 militia at the fort. Major General John McIntosh and Brigadier General Davis Blackshear were placed in charge of the troops.

He commanded the fort after May 1812, and his family lived with him inside the fort. The 3<sup>rd</sup> Infantry had 73 men stationed at Fort Hawkins on 6 June 1812. In November 1814, Major Cook had 210 officers and men stationed at Fort Hawkins.

His daughter, Martha Pearson Cook (later Winship) did much to help the hospital efforts in Georgia during the War Between the States. Philip and Martha were buried at historic Rose Hill Cemetery in Macon, Georgia.

At the tender age of 14 on May 1, 1828, Martha married Isaac Winship, age 26, in Bibb County. They had eleven children: Capt. Emory Winship, C.S.A.; Laura Ellen; Anna Eliza; Martha Angelina; Mary Cook; Ida Louise; Sarah Irene; Emily Lavina; Victoria Comer; Isaac Phillip, and Nathaniel Robertson Winship.

In 1860, Martha and family lived in Atlanta, Georgia. During the War Between the States, Martha organized the first military hospital in Atlanta, Georgia. After the war, Isaac and Martha returned to Bibb County where she died in 1882.