

**TRAIL OF TEARS
MEMORIAL WALK**

DURING LATE OCTOBER AND EARLY NOVEMBER 1838, LIEUTENANT EDWARD DEAS LED A GROUP OF CHEROKEE FROM CHATTANOOGA, TN TO INDIAN TERRITORY, KNOWN TODAY AS OKLAHOMA. THIS ROUTE HAS COME TO BE KNOWN AS THE BELL'S ROUTE OF THE TRAIL OF TEARS.

LIEUTENANT DEAS' JOURNAL AND PAYMENT VOUCHERS DOCUMENT THIS JOURNEY THROUGH FAYETTEVILLE AND LINCOLN COUNTY.

THE NATIONAL PARK SERVICE HAS OFFICIALLY ADDED THIS ROUTE TO THE NATIONAL HISTORIC TRAIL LIST.



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**FAYETTEVILLE
TRAIL OF TEARS
MEMORIAL
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**COME WALK WITH SHATTUCK
AND FRIENDS ON THE LAST
SATURDAY OF OCTOBER**

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LIEUTENANT EDWARD DEAS 4TH ARTILLERY, UNITED STATES ARMY

LIEUTENANT EDWARD DEAS WAS A GRADUATE OF THE UNITED STATES MILITARY ACADEMY AT WEST POINT. HE SERVED IN THE ARMY FROM 1828 TO 1848.

DURING 1837 AND 1838, A FORCED REMOVAL PLAN OF THE NATIVE PEOPLE WAS IMPLEMENTED CONSISTING OF THE REMOVAL OF THE TRIBAL PEOPLE OF THE CHEROKEES, CHICKASAWS, CHOCTAWS, CREEKS AND THE SEMINOLES.

LIEUTENANT DEAS ESCORTED SEVERAL GROUPS OF NATIVE PEOPLE BY WATER AND LAND. ONE OF THE LAST GROUPS TO BE REMOVED WAS THE "SO CALLED TREATY PARTY". THE GROUP TRAVELED ALONG THE ROUTE KNOWN AS "BELL'S ROUTE" (ALONG A PATH KNOWN TODAY, AS HIGHWAY 64). BELL'S ROUTE WAS NAMED FOR MR. JOHN BELL, A CHEROKEE WHO TRAVELED WITH THE GROUP.

THE GROUP CAMPED ALONG THE EAST SIDE OF THE ELK RIVER BEFORE CROSSING AT CHENAULT FORD AND ENTERING FAYETTEVILLE.

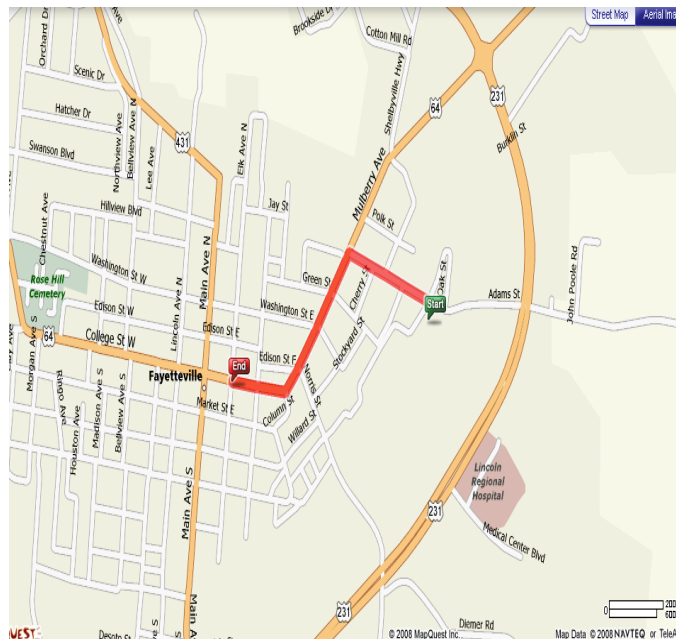
ON 28 OCTOBER 1838, LIEUTENANT DEAS BOUGHT SUPPLIES FROM LOCAL FARMERS OF LINCOLN COUNTY TO HELP FEED BETWEEN 600 AND 800 OF THE CHEROKEE INDIANS. HE ALSO BOUGHT SHOES AND BLANKETS FOR THE PEOPLE ON 29 OCTOBER FROM NORRIS CLEMENTS STORE IN FAYETTEVILLE. ALONG THE WAY THROUGH LINCOLN COUNTY HE ALSO BOUGHT FLOUR, CORNMEAL, CANDLES, FEED AND FODDER FOR THE ANIMALS. THE GROUP LEFT LINCOLN COUNTY IN EARLY NOVEMBER 1838 ON THEIR WAY TO OKLAHOMA.

FAYETTEVILLE, TENNESSEE LAST SATURDAY OF OCTOBER

JOIN SHATTUCK AND FRIENDS ON THE LAST SATURDAY OF OCTOBER FOR THE ANNUAL TRAIL OF TEARS MEMORIAL WALK. THIS EVENT IS HELD ANNUALLY ON THE LAST SATURDAY OF OCTOBER. WE WILL WALK, **REGARDLESS OF THE WEATHER.**

PARTICIPANTS SHOULD PLAN TO MEET ON ADAMS STREET IN FAYETTEVILLE, TN ABOUT 9:30 A.M.. THE MEMORIAL WALK WILL BEGIN AT 10:00 AND PROCEED TO THE COURTHOUSE SQUARE IN DOWNTOWN FAYETTEVILLE ALONG THE ROUTE INDICATED ON THE MAP.

SPECTATORS ARE INVITED TO JOIN US ON THE COURTHOUSE SQUARE OR ANYWHERE ALONG THE ROUTE.



MAKE PLANS TO

WALK WITH US

YOU ARE WELCOME TO JOIN US AS WE WALK THE TRAIL OF THE ANCESTORS.

PERIOD DRESS WOULD BE NICE, BUT IS NOT NECESSARY.

WOMEN AND GIRLS MAY WEAR LONG SKIRTS, LONG SLEEVE BLOUSES, SHAWLS OR BLANKETS.

MEN AND BOYS MAY WEAR JEANS AND LONG SLEEVE SHIRTS WORN OUT SIDE OF JEANS.

GROUPS ARE WELCOME TO PARTICIPATE

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