

## Billy Buskin's Grave

### Village Road, Wilmot, New Hampshire

At the top of the embankment on Village Road heading west, just before Chase Pond, is a small marker and flag for Billy Buskin, the Civil War horse owned by Wilmot native Captain Francis Chase (hence Chase Pond). The white house across the road was the Chase home.

The government gave the horse to Chase when he was discharged after serving as a wagon master with the Quartermaster Corps. Chase rode Billy home from the war and the sturdy equine lived to be more than 30 years old.

Every Memorial Day, when the graves of deceased veterans are decorated with fresh flags, Billy Buskin's grave also receives a new flag.

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