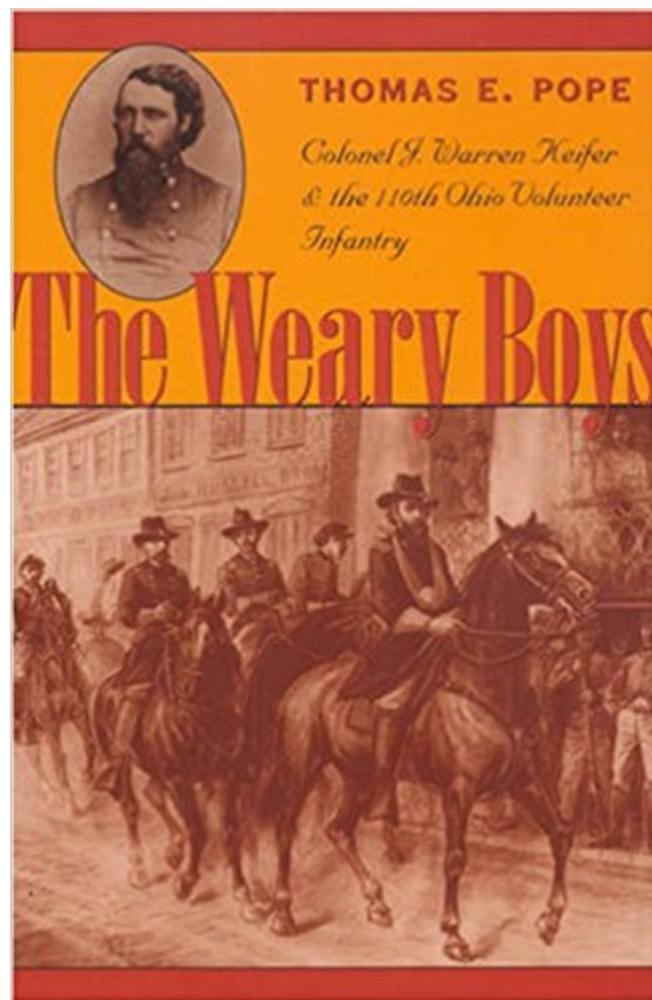




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The Weary Boys: Colonel J. Warren Keifer And The 110th Ohio Volunteer Infantry



Synopsis

“Milroy’s Weary Boys” was the derisive nickname Maj. Gen. Winfield Scott Hancock gave to the survivors of the 110th Ohio Volunteer Infantry after the Second Battle of Winchester. Major General Robert Milroy’s division was consolidated and assigned to the Army of the Potomac, and members of the 110th Ohio Volunteer Infantry were not universally accepted. Many veterans of the Eastern Theater shunned them, and historians have perpetuated this epithet, not recognizing the contributions of the 110th. In *The Weary Boys*, Pope refutes this undeserved derision. Under the command of Colonel J. Warren Keifer, a veteran of the Civil War’s Western Theater, the 110th proved their worth many times over. Only fifteen of the 175 volunteer regiments from Ohio that served in the Union Army suffered the loss of more than one hundred men. The 110th was one of these regiments.

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My great-grandfather was one of the "Weary Boys" so I was really excited to find this book. It is an interesting, actual account of what life was like for the soldiers during the civil war.

... the Civil War or Ohio History. Pope gives a detailed account of an Ohio regiment’s three-year tour of duty in the war, from the recruitment process in 1863 through the battles it participated in to Lee’s surrender in ’65. The 110th Ohio fought in many battles, including the Second Battle of Winchester, the Battle of the Wilderness, the Battle of Monocacy, and the final assaults at Petersburg and Appomattox Court House. Pope includes many first-person accounts from soldiers’ letters and

journals, and from Keifer's book about the war. You get a real feel for the conditions the soldiers lived under and their opinions about the decisions of their superiors--something you rarely get from standard history texts.

Good read. The book was well written technically. I became more enlightened on the politics behind the scenes of the Civil War and more appreciative of the deplorable conditions of the soldiers.

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