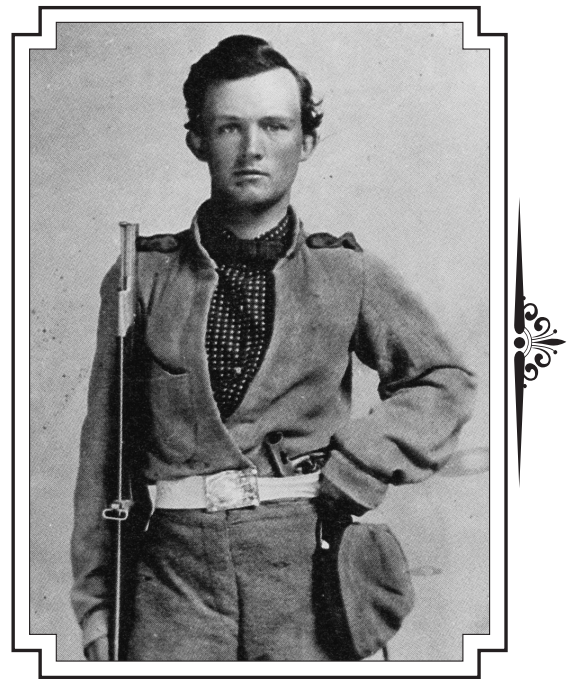
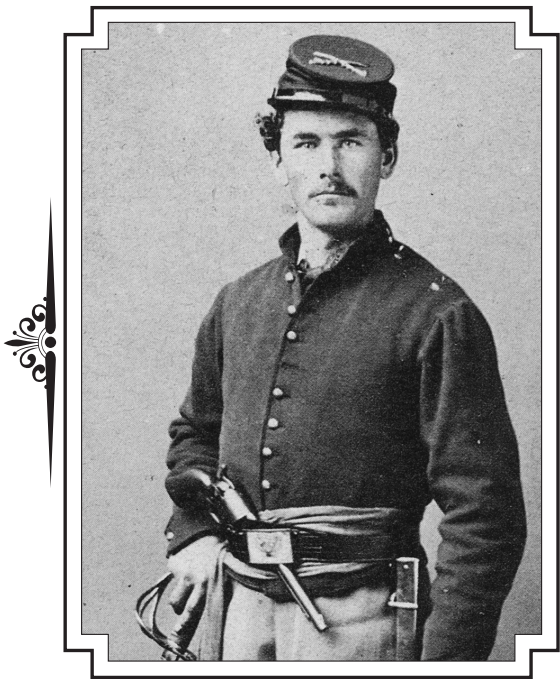


# TWO SOLDIERS

Jerry Garcia and I both learned this civil war song from Mike Seeger's solo LP on the Vanguard label, released in 1964. When we got together 25 years later, Jerry suggested it for our growing repertoire. We put together an arrangement in which the whole band (including Joe Craven on fiddle and Jim Kerwin on bowed bass) played this very stark and sturdy melody in unison, which proved to be an effective device. Occasionally Joe would throw in a bit of harmony as well.

Notice how many of the bars begin with slides (as in bar 1,2,5,7 etc.) This articulation provides emphasis on those particular downbeats as well as providing some interesting phrasing which was taken up by the entire band.



## Recordings —

**Mike Seeger** - *Mike Seeger*  
*Vanguard VCD 79150*

**Garcia/Grisman** - *Jerry Garcia and David Grisman*  
*Acoustic Disc ACD-2*

**Garcia/Grisman Original** - *Jerry Garcia and David Grisman*  
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