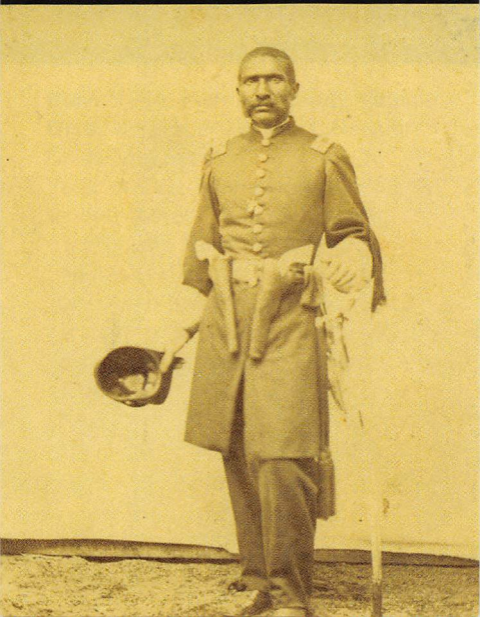


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# Captain William Matthews

William Matthews was a captain in the 1st Kansas Colored who led them in combat at Island Mound. Denied a commission when the unit mustered into federal service, he enlisted as a private.

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