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Biographical Note

Rodger Streitmatter is a Professor Emeritus at the School of Communication at American University in Washington, D.C. A cultural historian, he explores how the media influences the public. He has written over nine books and specializes in History of alternative media; sex and the media; gay and lesbian journalism; journalism history; and African American women journalists.

John Taylor Radford (1838-1864) was the first son of John Blair Radford and Elizabeth Campbell Taylor, born on July 4, 1838. He went to private school for his education, eventually graduating with a law degree from the University of Virginia in 1857. He joined Company K of the 24th Virginia Regiment of Volunteers in 1861, eventually serving under Brigadier General John McCausland as Lieutenant Colonel. He passed away in battle in 1864 at the age of 26 and is buried in the family cemetery in Radford.

William Moseley Radford (1840-1862) was the second son of John Blair Radford and Elizabeth Campbell Taylor, born on August 12, 1840. He went to private school for his education, eventually graduating with a bachelor of arts from the University of Virginia in 1857. He helped organize the Pulaski Boys, the 24th Virginia Regiment of Volunteers in 1861. He served under Brigadier General Jubal A. Early as First Lieutenant and eventually second in command of the unit. He died at the battle of Williamsburg at the age of 21 and is buried in the family cemetery in Radford.

"Faculty Profile: Rodger Streitmatter" entry, American University Washington, D.C., <https://www.american.edu/soc/faculty/rstreit.cfm>

"Radford, John T." entry, National Park Services's Civil War Database, <https://www.nps.gov/civilwar/search-soldiers-detail.htm?soldierId=43ABA7C5-DC7A-DF11-BF36-B8AC6F5D926A>

"Radford, William M." entry, National Park Services's Civil War Database, <https://www.nps.gov/civilwar/search-soldiers-detail.htm?soldierId=51ABA7C5-DC7A-DF11-BF36-B8AC6F5D926A>

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