George Washington George was a veteran of the Union Army in an Indiana regiment. By 1890 he had settled in the Smithfield area. He told a census taker he was born in April, 1842; his parents' birthplaces were recorded as unknown.

At the time the 1850 census was taken, Washington George was living with the family of Jesse H. Bailey in Pleasant Run Township of Lawrence County, Indiana. Ten years later, when the 1860 census was taken, George W. George was still there, living in Shawswick Township, Lawrence County, Indiana. He was eighteen years old, and was still living and working as a farm laborer with the family of Jesse H. Bailey.

Mr. George served the Union in Company A, 24th Indiana Infantry. As a resident of Lawrence County, he enlisted on July 31, 1861, and was mustered out on November 15, 1865. The 24th Indiana Infantry served in the western theatre of operations during the War, largely in Arkansas, Louisiana, and Mississippi.

About 1867, Mr. George and his wife, Katherine Hackney, were married. Her headstone gives her name as Kate, and says she was born April 16, 1846. Census records say she was born in Indiana to two Tennessean parents. She told the census taker in 1900 that she had given birth to six children, five of whom were still living. She died March 30, 1902 and was buried in Arwine Cemetery with a readable headstone. Mrs. Hackney was a sister of Union veteran Benjamin Hackney who also lies buried at Arwine Cemetery.

In 1880, the George family was living in Shawswick Township, Lawrence County, Indiana. George said both his parents were born in North Carolina. Mr. George appears in the 1890 census of Union veterans in Precinct 4 of Tarrant County. At the time, he owned his farm. Family sources at ancestry.com say Mr. George died at Birdville on September 26, 1908, and that his wife was Katherine Hackney (1846-1902). He has no death certificate on file. Mrs. Kate George has a
readable headstone in Arwine Cemetery. It seems likely that Mr. George is buried there in an unmarked grave.

The Georges' children included Alice George (Sept. 12, 1869-Jan. 21, 1947, married William Henry Morland, and died in Memphis, Tennessee), Jennie George (born about 1873), Mary George (born about 1875); and John W. George (born in December of 1879 or January of 1880), Charles E. George (born in August 1884).