

WOOD, JAMES M

Name WOOD, JAMES M
Rank PVT Company G Unit 101 IL US INF

Personal Characteristics

Residence MORGAN CO, IL Age 21 Height 5' 9 Hair SANDY
Eyes BLUE Complexion LIGHT Marital Status MARRIED Occupation FARMER
Nativity MONROE CO, MI

Service Record

Joined When AUG 9, 1862 Joined Where WAVERLY, IL
Joined By Whom ROBERT MCKEE Period 3 YRS
Muster In SEP 2, 1862 Muster In Where JACKSONVILLE, IL
Muster In By Whom N/A Muster Out N/A
Muster Out Where N/A Muster Out By Whom N/A
Remarks DISCHARGED OCT 20, 1864 AT JEFFERSON BARRACKS MO FOR DISABILITY

He is listed on the Jacksonville Civil War monument and the 1872 Morgan Co. History.

From the Illinois Marriage database:

WOOD, JAMES M SPERRY, ANN S 08/09/1862 C/ 4 134 MORGAN
WOOD, JAMES M SHATLAND, JULIA A 12/09/1875 005/0076 SANGAMON

James M and Ann Sperry Wood had five children, Elizer M., b.1 May 1863, John Eli, b.31 Jul 1865, Joel Blinn, b. 10 Dec 1866, Benjamin Walter, b.25 sep 1869, and Charlotte Elizabeth b.25 Oct 1871, d. 8 Sep 1872. He remarried in 1875. She died 1 Mar 1890. They had no children. He married Bertha Ann Thomas in Missouri 9 Sep 1890. They had 3 children, Alford James, b..11 Mar 1891, twins, Huburt D and Herbert D, b. 23 Jan 1896. James was wounded at Resaca, GA, losing use of his elbow. After his discharge he tried farming and tinsmithing, but both were too difficult. He started making brooms and selling them sometime after his third marriage. He did that for the rest of his life. They lived in Girard, Macoupin Co., IL.XX pict
He applied for pension Jan 12 1865, from IL. His wife, Bertha A. applied for pension Mar 25 1925 from IL. He died 16 Feb 1925, and is buried in Girard Cemetery, Girard, Macoupin Co., IL



Obit:

JAMES MATTISON WOOD was born in LaSalle Mich, April 23rd 1841, and died at his home in Girard, Ill., February 16, 1925 at the age of 83 years. 9 months, and 24 days. He came to Illinois in 1856 making a trip from Toledo, Ohio to Waverly in a wagon, while other members of the family came by canal and river to Homer, Ill., from whence their goods were hauled to Waverly by wagon.

On August 9th, 1862, he volunteered as a member of Company G, 101st Regiment, Ill., Vol. Inf., and was mustered into the service at Jacksonville, Ill., Sept. 19th of the same year. His Regiment was engaged in several battles during his time of service, among the most prominent were Jackson, Boliver, Vicksburg, Memphis, Look Out Mountain, Missionary Ridge and Recacca, Ga. At Vicksburg Company G volunteered to help Commander Farragut run his fleet of gunboats passed the confederate batteries. In this engagement, Mr. Wood was made Orderly Sergeant and carried orders from the Flagship to the Gun boats in a skiff. He was wounded at Racacca, Ga., May 15, 1864 and was sent to Jefferson Barracks, St. Louis, Mo, where he was honorably discharged, October 20th the same year.

Mr. Wood was married three times, His first wife was Sophia Ann Speary. To this union was born 5 children, namely, Benjamin Wood of Springfield, Ill., have preceded him in death.

After the death of his first wife, he was united in marriage to Julia Ann Shattlan. To this union no children were born. After the death of his second wife, he was again united in marriage to Bertha Ann Myers. To this union was born three children, Alfred J., Herbert B. and Hubert D. Mr. Wood with his family moved to Girard in March, 1902 where he has made his home.

Mr. Wood accepted Christ nearly 40 years ago. He loved the church and his latter years were spent in true devotion to God. He was a patient sufferer all through his illness, as he would place his arm about the children's neck and kiss them and thank them for their care in waiting on him.

He highly appreciated every thing that was done for him by any one and would always express his thanks as long as he could utter it.

As a Father and Husband, he was loving, kind and true. He loved his family and home, he loved his grandchildren, as he enjoyed taking them in his arms and on his knee and relating to them some of his experiences while in the army.

He was highly esteemed by all who knew him.

He leaves to mourn their loss; A loving wife, four sons, Benjamin. W. Wood of Springfield, Ill.; Alfred J. of Auburn, Ill.; Herbert B. of Peoria, Ill., and Hubert D. at home; also four step-children, Will Eskew of Virden, Ill.; John Eskew of Murrayville, Ill.; Mrs., Ed Easey of Auburn, Ill.; also one daughter-in-law, wife of John E. Wood, deceased; eleven grandchildren and seven great grandchildren; also a host of relatives and friends. XX check 1st children for missing line.



James M. Wood



