

Company B, 120th OVI

BYERS, John O. 5 Aug 1862

Private Byers was 21 when he entered service. He was wounded 1 May 1863 in battle of Thompson's Hill, Mississippi; transferred to 105th Co, 2d Battalion, Veteran Reserve Corps, 15 Feb 1864; mustered out 14 Oct 1865 at Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. The pension index also lists John Byers in the 105th and in Co 2 Bat. Veterans Reserve Corps.

In the 28 May 1863 issue of the Wooster Republican it was reported that John O. Byers was wounded in the left thigh.

Father: David BYERS

Mother: Cathrine HOOVER

Birth: 12 Mar 1841 PA

Marriage: Mary Ellen BLACK - Miss Ellen BLACK, 6 Sep 1866, Ashland Co OH

Death: 27 Oct 1914 Richland Co OH

Cemetery: Mansfield Cemetery, Richland Co OH

Relationship: John O. BYERS married the sister of William Riley BLACK of Co C 120th OVI.

Pension Index: John O BYERS, B 120th, 105 C 2nd Battalion VRC. Widow Mary E. Byers applied for widow's pension 4 November 1914, Application 1036367, Certificate 785058, filed in Ohio. Pension Card: Invalid pension 4 Mar 1870, Application 153385, Certificate 109589.

John died 27 Oct 1914 at Mansfield, OH.

1860 Census, Series: M653 Roll: 1051, Congress Twp, Wayne Co OH, page 334: David BYERS, age 55 PA, farmer; Elizabeth, age 34 PA; John, age 20 OH, farm laborer; Susan, age 17 OH; David, age 11 OH; Hannah, age 5 OH; Franklin R, age 1 OH. [1870 Census, Congress Twp, Wayne Co OH, Dwelling 218, Family 228: David BYERS, age 64 PA, farmer; Elizabeth, age 42 PA; Hannah, age 15 OH; Franklin, age 11 OH; Arise [female], age 7 OH; Charles ROCK, age 22 OH, hired hand.]

Family Search, Ohio, County Marriages, 1789-1994: John BYERS married Miss Ellen BLACK on 6 Sep 1866 in Ashland Co OH. Stephen BLACK filed affidavit for license. [Contributed by Kerry Kimberly]

Family Search, Births and Christenings, 1821-1962: Canby BYERS, female, born 20 Nov 1868 at Newville, Richland Co OH. Father John BYERS. Mother Mary Ellen.

1870 4th Ward, City of Mansfield, Richland County OH: John O BYERS, age 28 PA, a baker; Mary E, age 26 OH; Nettie, age 1 OH.

Family Search, Births and Christenings, 1821-1962: Flora BYERS born 23 Mar 1877 at Mansfield, Richland Co OH. Father John BYERS. Mother Mary E. BLACK.

1880 Census, Troy, Morrow Co OH, Dwelling 83, Family 87: John BYERS, age 35 PA, farmer, parents born PA; Mary, wife, age 33 OH, parents born OH; Cambia A, daughter, age 11 OH; James W, son, age 8 OH; Jesse, son, age 6 OH; Flora B, daughter, age 3 OH.

John O. Byers is listed in Mansfield (Ohio) City Directories from 1873 through 1891. During most of that time he lived on South Main St. He was employed at different times as a painter, a laborer, and a gardener. [Contributed by Kerry Kimberly]

Ancestry, 1883 Pensioners, Richland County, OH, p. 294: Certificate #109,589. John O. BYERS, Mansfield P.O., wounded in left thigh, receives \$6.00 monthly. [Contributed by Kerry Kimberly]

1890 Veterans Schedule, Madison Twp., Richland Co., OH, p. 1, line 11, house 62, family 63: John O. BYRES, private, Co. G (sic), 120 Ohio, 5 Sep 1862-4 Oct 1865. Post Office: Mansfield, Ohio. Disability: chronic diarrhea resulting in piles. [Contributed by Kerry Kimberly]

1900 Census, Madison Township, Richland County OH: John BYERS, age 59 born Mar 1841 PA, a farmer, married 34 yrs, parents born PA; Mary E, wife, age 56, born Dec 1843 OH, married 34 yrs, 4 children, 3 still living, parents born OH; Nettie, daughter, age 33, born Nov 1866, single.

Son, 1900 Census, 26.5 South Main ST, Mansfield Ward 2, Madison Twp, Richland Co OH, Dwelling 112, Family 139: James BYERS, lodger, born Sept 1871, age 28 KS, single, father born PA, mother born OH, bar tender.

Daughter, Family Search, Ohio, County Marriages, 1789-1994: Nettie BYERS, age 32, born Newville, OH, married Benjamin GREENAWALD, 24 Jan 1901 at Richland Co OH. Parents: John O. BYERS and Mary E. BLACK. Benjamin was age 37, born Wayne Co OH. His parents: Henry GREENAWALD and Fredrica BORDER.

Son, Family Search, Ohio, County Marriages, 1789-1994: James W. BYERS married Francis N. HEDGES at Richland Co OH on 15 Oct 1901. He was age 30 born <1871> in Clay Co KS. His father was John O. BYERS. His mother was Mary L. BLACK. The bride's father was James A. HEDGES; her mother was Hennitte GOOD. The bride was born in Mansfield in <1871>, age 30.

Haven't found in 1910.

Death record in Ohio: File #57374: John O. BYERS died 27 Oct 1914 at Mansfield, Richland County OH. Married. Farmer. Born 12 Mar 1841 in PA. Father David BYERS born PA. Mother Cathrine HOOVER born PA. Informant Mrs. John BYERS of Mansfield OH. Burial Mansfield Cem.

1920 Census, Madison Twp, Richland County, OH, page 66: Mary E BYERS is living with Benjamin and Nettie GREENAWALD. She is the mother-in-law of Benjamin. Mary is age 76 OH, widowed, parents born OH.

Son, 1920 Census, Cass Lake Village, Cass Co, MN, Dwelling 135, Family 148: James BYERS, boarder, age 49 US, divorced, parents born US, laborer at odd jobs. James is living in the home of John M and Alice EITZER.

Wife's Death record in Ohio: Wife, File # 71740 Mrs. Ellen M. BYERS died 20 Nov 1920 at Madison Twp, Richland Co OH. Born 9 Dec 1843. Father: Daniel BLACK, born England. Mother: Elizabeth RYLAND, birthplace unknown. Widow of John BYERS. Informant: Jesse O. BYERS of Mansfield, OH. Burial: Mansfield Cem.

Daughter's Death record in Ohio: Daughter, File # 70406, Nettie GREENAWALD, of S. Main St, died 22 Nov 1926 in Madison Twp, Richland Co OH. Born 1867 OH. Father was John O BYERS, born PA. Mother was Ellan BLACK. Husband Ben GREENAWALD. Burial Mansfield OH. Informant J. O. BYERS, of Mansfield OH.

Son, 1930 Census, 328 South Sixth St, Los Angeles, Alhambra Co, CA, Dwelling 81, Family 94: James W. BYERS, owned home and rented out part, Age 57 OH, first married age 29, father born PA, mother born OH, occupation cook, not a veteran; Frances N., wife, age 57 OH, first married age 29, parents born OH; Charles E, son, age 24 OH, married, first married age 23, parents born OH, occupation book keeper.

Son, 1940 Census, 328.5 S. Sixth St, Los Angeles, Alhambra Co CA, Household 488: James W. BYERS, age 68 KS, lived same house 1935, not employed, income from other sources; Frances N., wife, age 68 OH, lived in same house in 1935, not employed, income from other sources.

Son, Family Search: California, Death Index, 1940-1997: James W. BYERS, died 7 Jun 1947 at Los Angeles, CA. Born 28 Nov 1871 in KS. Father's surname BYERS. Mother's surname BLACK.

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