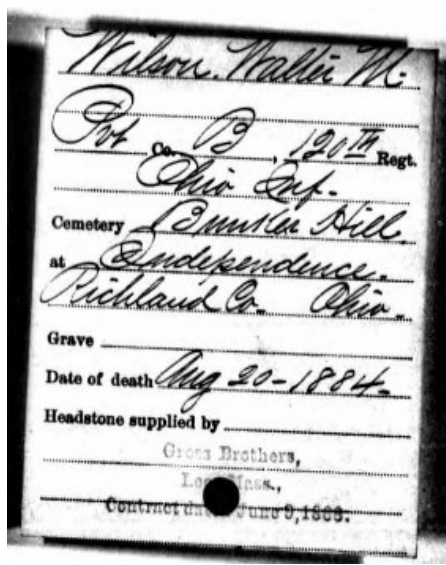


## Company B, 120<sup>th</sup> OVI



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WILSON, Walter M. 2 Mar 1864  
Private Walter Wilson was 17 when he entered service. He was transferred to Co E, 114th OVI on 27 Nov 1864. Transferred to Co B, 48th OVI, 24 July 1865. Mustered out 9 May 1866.

Father: Maxwell WILSON  
Mother: Sarah VALKENBURG  
Birth: 11 April 1847, Ashland Co, OH  
Marriage: Martha J. HAWKINS on 15 Sep 1868, Edgar Co IL  
Death: 20 Aug 1884  
Cemetery: Bunker Hill, Independence, Richland Co OH  
Relationship: Brother to James and George WILSON of Co B 120th.

Pension Index: Walter M WILSON, E 114th OH, B 120th OH, B 48th OH Inf. Widow, Martha J. WILSON, filed 24 September 1886, Application 345120, Certificate 238460, filed in Illinois.

Headstones Provided for Deceased Union Civil War Veterans, 1879-1903: Walter M WILSON, Pvt, Co B 120th OH Inf. Cemetery: Bunker Hill, Independence, Richland Co OH. Died 20 Aug 1884. [See insert of stone order record.]

### Walter M. Wilson, Company B

#### [The History of Edgar County, Illinois, Containing a History of the County--its Cities, Towns, &c:

Directory of Its Tax-payers; War Records of Its Volunteers in the Late Rebellion Portraits of Early Settlers and Prominent Men; General and Local Statistics; Map of Edgar County; History of Illinois, Illustrated; History of the Northwest, Illustrated; Constitution of the United States, Miscellaneous Matters, &c., &c. Illustrated, 1879. W. LeBaron Jr.]

page 607, Paris Township

"W. M. Wilson, Constable, Paris; was born in Ashland Co., Ohio, April 11, 1847, where he was raised and received a good common-school education. During the late war of the rebellion, he enlisted with the 120<sup>th</sup> Ohio V. I.; was in a number of severe engagements; among which were the Red River expedition, and the siege of Blakely, and was one of the fortunate ones who escaped without a scratch; he mustered out at Galveston, Texas, May, 1866. He came to Paris in the following November, and engaged in farming; after continuance of four years, he removed into Paris and followed blacksmithing until 1875, when he was appointed upon the police force, and, after serving two years, was elected Constable, which position he now holds. He is a young man, of good business ability, and it is fair to predict for him a brilliant future. On Sept. 15, 1868, he married Miss Martha J. Hawkins; they have two children - Joseph E. and Merta R."

1850 Census, Hanover Twp, Ashland Co OH, Dwelling 193, Family 193: Maxwell WILLSON, age 39 PA, farmer; Sarah, age 35 PA; Henry, age 13 PA; George, age 12 PA; Martha, age 9 PA; James, age 8 PA; Lydia, age 6 OH; Walter, age 3 OH; Sarah J, age 10 months OH.

1860 Census, Hanover Twp, Ashland County, OH, page 64: Maxwell WILSON, age 48 PA, farmer; Sarah, age 45 PA; James, age 18 PA; Levina A, age 15 PA; Walter, age 13 OH; Sarah J, age 11 OH; Mary E, age 9 OH; Phebe, age 4 OH. [Family search also lists as siblings George W <1847>, Henry <1849>, and Martha <1851>.]

Edgar County Court Records: Walter M. WILSON married Martha J. HAWKINS on 15 Sep 1868.

1870 Census Paris Township, Edgar County, Illinois: Joseph HAWKINS age 59 VA, a farmer, Mary A, age 53 VA; Walter M WILSON age 24 OH, a farmer; Martha J, age 20 IN; Joseph E, age 10 months, IL; James M HAWKINS, age 30 OH, a farmer. [We see from the 1880 census below that they were living with, apparently, Martha's parents.]

1880 Census 3rd Ward, Paris, Edgar County, IL: Walter M WILSON, age 33 OH, a constable, parents born PA; Martha J, wife, age 30 IN, parents born VA; Joseph E, son, age 10 IL; Mertie R, daughter, age 6 IL; Ora A, daughter, age one IL; Mary A HAWKINS, mother-in-law, age 62 VA, parents born VA.

Family Search record of Ohio Deaths and Burials says that Walter Wilson died 20 Aug 1884 in Hanover Ohio, age 37, born 1847. This must be Hanover Township, Ashland Co OH where he was living in 1860.

Daughter's marriage: Illinois, Marriages, 1815-1935: Myrtle R. WILSON married Edward L. RANSFORD 23 Mar 1897 at Paris, Edgar, IL. Her father was Walter M. WILSON. Her mother was Martha J. HAWKINS.

Daughter's marriage: Illinois, Marriages, 1815-1935: Ora WILSON married Edward T. HOWARD 14 Jun 1897 at Paris, Edgar Co IL. Her father was Walter WILSON. Her mother was Martha HAWKINS.

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