

Company C, 120th OVI

STEARNS, Alonzo M. 13 Aug 1862 Alonzo Merrill STEARNS
Private Stearns was age 34 when he entered service. He was discharged 15 Apr 1863 at Memphis, Tennessee on a Surgeon's certificate of disability.

Father: Nathan STEARNS
Mother: Mary MONKTON
Birth: 14 Dec 1827, Perrysville, Ashland Co OH
Marriage: Mary A HEATH 13 Apr 1851, Ashland Co OH
Death: 21 Mar 1889, Tipton, Moniteau Co, MO
Cemetery: Odd Fellows Cemetery, Tipton, Moniteau Co, MO
Page created at [Find a Grave](#).

Listed in the Wooster Republican on 29 January 1863:
In No. 3 Hospital, Adam's Block, Memphis: A. M. Stearns, company C, 120th.
In Foundry Hospital, Memphis, Tennessee: A. M. Stearns, 120th, discharged.

Pension Index: Alonzo M STEARNS, C 120th OH Inf, applied for invalid's pension on 23 Oct 1863, Application 34861, Certificate 211597. His widow, Mary A STEARNS, applied for pension 4 Aug 1891, Application 501256, Certificate 301186, filed in Missouri. This record card has the death date for Alonzo as 24 Mar 1889 at Tipton, MO.

Contributed by Ian:
1850 census of Ohio, Ashland, Green Twp., p 110: N. Stearns 62 Shoemaker VT; M. Stearns 57 (f) VT; A. Stearns 23 (m) Carpenter OH <--Alonzo; M. Stearns 20 (m) OH [Milo Eloftus Stearns; 1830-1896]
[Note: Alonzo's father was Nathan Stearns, b. 19 Mar 1788 Monkton, Addison, Vermont; d. 1851; Mother named Mary; indeterminate dates of birth, d. 1872.]
[Note: Mother's last name may be MONKTON.]

[Ashland County marriage bonds](#) at Ashland County Genweb: Alonzo M STEARNS married Mary A HEATH 13 Apr 1851.

1860 Census, Series M653 Roll 930, Green Twp, Ashland Co OH, page 279: Alonzo STEARN[S], age 33 OH, master carpenter; Mary, age 30 NY; Nepthas P [Is this Mathias?], age 3 OH; Mary STEARNS, age 70 VT.
[Nepthas must be Mathias shown in the 1880 Census.]

1870 Census, Worthington Twp, Richland County, OH, page 406: Alonzo STEARNS, age 42 OH, carpenter; Mary, age 40 NY; Martha, age 23 WI; Minena, [male] [Is this Mathias?]age 9 OH; Roby [female], age 6 OH; Emma, age 2 OH. [Note from Ian: "Miran" is actually Myron N. Stearns, b. <1861> in Ohio, d. 29 Apr 1932 in Ventura, California."Roby" is undoubtedly Ruby. Martha, I think, is a niece, d/o Alonzo's brother Norman Lanson Stearns and wife Rebecca Smith.]

1880 Census, Perrysville, Green Twp, Ashland County, OH, page 25D: Alonzo STEARNS, age 53 OH, sawyer, father born MA, mother born VT; Mary A, wife, age 51 NY, parents born NY; Mathis U or Mathias H, son, age 23 WI, sawyer; Miran N, son, age 19 OH, working in saw mill; Roby, daughter, age 14 OH; Eugena?, daughter, age 11 OH; Eva? M, daughter, age 7 OH.

Moved to Missouri.

Contributed by Ian:
1890 Veterans Census, Willowfork Twp., Moniteau, Missouri, Line 4, House 14, Family 14
Mary A., widow of Stearns Alonzo M
Pvt C 120 Ohio Inf
Enlisted: 12 Aug 1862
Discharged: 15 Apr 1863
Disability: Eplepsey [sic]
P.O.: Tipton

Contributed by Ian from Alonzo's pension papers:
Alonzo M. Stearns and Mary A. Heath were married 13 Apr 1851 in Perrysville, Ashland County, Ohio (certified copy of marriage included in pension papers).

That Alonzo M. Stearns enlisted at Green Twp., [Ashland] Ohio, 13 Aug 1862 as a Private; mustered in at Camp Mansfield, Ohio (looks like Capt. C.M. Peale? - writing very tiny and quasi-illegible) 14 Oct 1862, in Co C, 120th OVI, Capt. John F. McKinley.

In November and December 1862 he is reported "in hospital" at Memphis, and "so borne until discharged for disability 15 Apr 1863." Another section indicates he was honorably discharged at Memphis, Tennessee 11 Apr 1863 on a certificate of disability (chronic dysentery), however the certificate says he was discharged on 15 Apr 1863 at Memphis.

According to the certificate of disability, Alonzo was born in Ashland County, Ohio, is 34 years of age, 5' 7 + 3/4" tall, dark 'complexion', hazel eyes, black hair, and was by occupation a carpenter when he enlisted.

That Alonzo M. Stearns died 21 Mar 1889 at Tipton, Moniteau County, Missouri.

Mary A. Stearns appeared before notary public on 07 Aug 1890, in Moniteau County, to say she is the widow of Alonzo M. Stearns, etc. There are no children under the age of 16 listed.

That Mary A. Stearns was last paid \$12 on 04 Oct 1912 and was dropped because of death 18 Dec 1912.

1900 IA, Clinton, Clinton, ED 08:

Smith Wm. H.	27 Aug 1872	M-1	Clothing salesman	IA	ENG	ENG
Smith May	26 Jun 1873	Mo0/0L			OH	OH NY
Stearns Mary A.	69 Oct 1830	MIL Mo5/5L	Widow		NY	NY NY

1910 Census, Series T624 Roll 84, Garl St, Precinct 31, Los Angeles, Los Angeles CA, page 32: Mary E STEARNS, age 79 NY, widow, 5 children/4 still living, no occupation, parents born NY; May Stearns SMITH, daughter, age 37 OH, widow, [no children marked], sales lady in department store, father born OH, mother born NY.

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