

Company D, 120th Ohio Volunteer Infantry



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CARY, William* 21 Aug 1862
Private Cary was age 21 when he entered service. He died 26 June 1863 at Big Black River, Mississippi. The Roll of Honor says he is buried at Vicksburg, Mississippi [not listed.] There is a note in the Wooster Republican of 24 December 1863 that William H. Carey died on the 26th of June in Big Black River Hospital. It says that he was interred in the churchyard at Apple Creek on July 29th. His body was brought back for burial. It gives his age as 22 years, 5 months and 14 days.

Father: Stephen CARY

Mother: Mary CONNER/S

Birth: 12 Jan 1841

Marriage:

Death: 26 Jun 1863, Big Black River, MS

Cemetery: Apple Creek #1 Cem, Wayne Co OH/ Old Presbyterian Cem.

Wooster Republican, Wooster OH, Thursday, 24 Dec 1863, page 2:

Died – On the 26th of June 1863 in Big Black River Hospital, Mississippi, Wm. H. Carey.

His remains were brought home and interred in the Churchyard at Applecreek, July 29th. His age was 22 years, 5 months and 14 days. He volunteered as a member of Captain Emerick's Company, 120th Regiment, O. V. I., August 21st, 1863. He was fourteen days on the battle-field. He was in the battles of Chickasaw Bayou, Champion Hills, Thompson's Hill, and nearly five days in the engagement in the rear of Vicksburg. He united with the Applecreek Presbyterian Church in 1860. He gave satisfactory evidences of piety, and his conduct ever since has been consistent, and his walk and conversation such as becometh the Gospel. Having heard and obeyed the voice of Christ calling him to join the sacramental host of God; he also heard and obeyed the same voice calling him to take up arms in defense of his country. – Having engaged in the spiritual warfare, to which the captain of Salvation calls all his followers; commanding them to 'fight the good fight of faith,' and to 'war the good warfare,' he felt it also to be his duty to enlist in his country's service. He believed that his Saviour, who had led him to unite with the church and people of God, also led him to take his place among the defenders of his country. His conduct, as a soldier, both when in the camp and in the field, was praiseworthy. He manifested not only piety and patriotism, but heroism. He experienced, during his last illness, the consolations of the Gospel, and the comforts of the Holy Ghost. Oh, how consolatory to know that 'the righteous hath hope in his death.' "

The stone writing is almost worn away. I could make out William and what looks like Aged 22.

Not on Registers of Deaths of Volunteers, 1861-1865

Not on Burial Registers, Military Posts and National Cemeteries, 1862-1960

Not on Pension Index

Born 12 Jan 1841 information at Find a Grave.

1850 Census Salt Creek Twp, Wayne County, OH, page 81: Stephen CARLEY, age 50 OH, farmer; Mary, age 50 PA; Debora, age 20 OH; Hiram, age 18 OH, farmer; ?Sabina [female], age 15 OH; Rachel, age 11 OH; William, age 10 OH.

1860 Census Salt Creek twp, Wayne co, OH, page 173: Stephen CARY, age 59 OH, farmer; Mary, age 60 PA; Deborah, age 30 OH; Rachael, age 20 OH; William, age 19 OH.

Sister: Family Search Death Record in Ohio: File # 28291, Rachel B. PINKERTON died 9 May 1910 at Wadsworth, Medina Co OH. Married. Born 29 Mar 1839 in OH. Father Stephen CAREY, born OH. Mother Mary CONNER, born PA. Burial Woodlawn Vault. Informant J. B. HILLIARD of Wadsworth OH.

Papers are available to read at the Library of Congress, for use at the library only.

<http://rs5.loc.gov/service/mss/eadxmlmss/eadpdfmss/2009/ms009296.pdf>

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