

## Company D, 120<sup>th</sup> Ohio Volunteer Infantry



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SHANKLIN, William 15 Aug 1862  
Private Shanklin was age 20 when he entered service. He was transferred to Co. E 114th OVI on 27 Nov 1864. [Other records show he may have been 24 when he joined the army.]  
Transferred to Co E, 48th OVI, 24 July 1865. Mustered out 14 Oct 1865.

Father: Alexander SHANKLIN  
Mother: ?? Mary Ann YOUNG  
Birth: 11 Apr 1837 OH  
Marriage: 1Mary LAWSON, 2 May 1868, Defiance Co OH,  
2Mrs. Mary Jane CHAPMAN on 11 Jan 1887 at Defiance, OH  
Death: 28 Mar 1916, Defiance, Defiance County, OH  
Cemetery: Farmer Cemetery, [near Farmer, OH south of St Rt 6](#), Defiance Co OH

Pension index: William SHANKLIN, E 48th, E 114th, D 120th OH Inf. Widow Mary J. Shanklin applied for widow's pension in Ohio in 1916 Apr 4, Application 1063905, Certificate 812003. William had applied for an invalid pension in 1888 Dec 12, Application 681542, Certificate 516813, filed in OH. Pension Card: William died 28 Mar 1916 at Defiance Co OH.

William's father, Alexander Herrington SHANKLIN, married Mary GOUDY on 31 Dec 1840. So she is not William's mother. His mother, according to researchers, was Mary Ann YOUNG whom Alexander married on 28 Jan 1836 in Portage Co OH. However, at Family Search there is another record from the Portage County Probate records, which shows that Alexander H. SHANKLIN married Sophiah BASS on 21 Jan 1836 in Portage Co OH.

1850 Census, Sugar Creek, Wayne Co OH, dwelling 222, family 222: Alexander SHANKLIN, age 33 PA, miller; Mary, age 30 OH; Sarah J, age 12 OH; William, age 11 OH; Harriet, age 8 OH; James, age 7 OH; Susan, age 6 OH; Robert, age 4 OH; George D?, age 3 OH; John, age 3 months OH. [Additional children in 1860: Mary, age 9 OH, Amanda, age 7 OH, Alexander, age 3 OH. William is not living there in 1860.]

1860 Census, Hicksville Twp, Defiance County, OH, page 386: Jn. RYAN, age 60 NY, farmer; Gertrude, age 60 NY; Washington, age 24 NY, carpenter; Silvia, age 19 NY; Theodosia, age 16 NY; Wm SHANKLIN, age 23 OH, laborer.

Defiance County Probate Court record: William SHANKLIN married Mary LAWSON on 2 May 1868 in Defiance Co OH, by B. O. Junkin, Min of the Gospel

1870 Census, Milford Twp, Defiance, County OH, page 140: William SHANKLIN, age 33 OH, farming; Mary, age 29 OH; Minnie b, age 1 OH.

1880 Census, Milford Twp, Defiance County OH, page 207: William SHANKLIN, age 43 OH, farmer, parents born OH; Mary, wife, age 39 OH, parents born PA; Minnie B, daughter, age 10 OH; Mercy C, daughter, age 3 OH.

First wife died between 1880 and 1887.

Married 1887 Mary Jane CHAPMAN Family Search, Ohio, County Marriages, 1789-1994: William SHANKLIN married Mrs. Mary Jane CHAPMAN on 11 Jan 1887 at Defiance, OH, by S. S. Hyde.

1890 Veterans Schedule: Milford, Defiance Co, OH: Line 13, House 138, Family 138: William SHANKLIN, Pvt, Co D, 120th OH Inf. Post Office: Farmer [Center], Defiance Co OH.

1900 Census, Milford Twp, Defiance County OH, page 210: William SHANKLIN, age 63 OH, born Apr 1837, married 13 yrs, farmer, parents born OH; Mary J, age 59 OH, born Apr 1841, married 13 yrs, 3 children/1 still living, parents born VT; Mercy C, daughter, age 23 OH, born Dec 1876, single, stenographer.

1910 Census, Farmer Twp, Defiance County OH, page 128: William SHANKLIN, age 73 OH, second marriage, # of yrs married not given, father born Unknown, mother born OH, has own income; Mary S, wife, age not given OH, father born MA, mother born VT. [Column 30 is marked UA for military service for William.]

[Defiance County Veteran's Directory](#) verifies that William SHANKLIN of Defiance County OH was the soldier in Company D of the 120th, however they have his death date as 25 Mar 1916. He is buried at Farmer Cemetery.

Ohio, Deaths, 1908-1953: File #17272, Wm SHANKLIN died 28 Mar 1916 at 628 Perry St, Defiance, Defiance County, OH. Married. Retired farmer. Born 11 Apr 1837 in OH. Parents not known to informant. Burial Farmer Center. Informant, C.C. BIGLOW, of Defiance OH.

Wife's Death Record in Ohio: File #1730, Mary Jane SHANKLIN died 25 Jan 1922 at 519 1/2 2nd St, Defiance, Defiance Co OH. Widow. Born 29 Apr 1841 in OH. Father, Geo W CHAPMAN, born Canada. Mother, Narsissa HOPKINS, born NY. Burial Farmer Center OH. Informant Nellie BLAIR, of Defiance, OH.

Brother's Death Record in Ohio: File #13081, George Washington SHANKLIN, of Dalton, OH, died 18 Feb 1942 at Wayne Co Hospital, Wooster, Wayne Co OH. Divorced. Wife Hebe WOLF. Farmer. Born 21 May 1848, could be 1847 or 1849 at Sugar Creek Twp, Wayne Co OH. Father Alexander SHANKLIN, born Ireland. Mother Mary GOUDY, born Mt. Eaton, OH. Burial Dalton OH. Informant Austin SHANKLIN, of Dalton OH.

Brother's Death Record in Ohio: File #20738, Robert H SHANKLIN, of R. D. Dalton, OH, died 6 Mar 1935 at Sugar Creek Twp, Wayne Co OH. Widowed. Wife Mary Zaugg SHANKLIN. Farmer. Born 16 Oct 1847 at Sugar Creek Twp, Wayne Co OH. Father Alexander SHANKLIN. Mother, Mary GOUDY, born Sugar Creek Twp, Wayne Co OH. Burial Dalton OH. Informant Tom SHANKLIN, R. D. Dalton, OH.