

Company D, 120th Ohio Volunteer Infantry

STRAUSS, Tolbert 22 Aug 1862 Tolbert B STRAUSS
Private Strauss was age 18 when he entered service. He was transferred to co. E 114th OVI on 27 Nov 1864. Transferred to Co E, 48th OVI, 24 July 1865. Mustered out 14 Oct 1865.

Father: Charles R. STRAUSS
Mother: Effie WOODRUFF
Birth: <1846>OH
Marriage: 1Anna GEORGE, 1869, IL
2Sarah E. McKEEVER, 10 Oct 1878 in Drummer Twp, Ford Co IL
Death: 4 May 1919 at Green River, Emery County, Utah
Cemetery:

Pension index: Tolbert B STRAUSS, D 120th, E 48th and E 114th OH Inf. Widow Sarah E. Strauss applied for pension in 1919 July 11, Application 1143816, Certificate 879610, filed in California. In 1880 June 29, Application 400525, Certificate 479449, an invalid pension had been applied for...no state given. Pension Card: Tolbert died 4 May 1919 at Green River, Utah.

[Portrait and Biographical Record of Ford County, Illinois, Lake City Publishing Company, Chicago, 1892, page 436-437]

Tolbert B. Strauss, M. D., company D
mother Effa Woodruff, Wayne Co OH
family moved to Paxton, Ill. in 1866

Tolbert, grew up at Fredericksburg.

"...in August, 1862, enlisted in Company D, One Hundred and Twentieth Ohio Infantry, being not quite seventeen years of age at the time. The regiment was called to the Department of the Gulf. The first engagement of importance in which he participated was under Gen. Sherman at Vicksburg, and he took part in the capture of Arkansas Post, the siege of Vicksburg, the battle of Jackson and the Red River campaign. While ascending the Red River to Alexandria on transports, the 'City Belle' was destroyed and the greater part of the regiment was captured, but Mr. Strauss, with one hundred and thirty-seven, escaped on the opposite bank. They got together, and, under cover of night, crossed the stream in a skiff, reaching Alexandria the next day."

He mustered out 14 Oct 1865 at Houston, Tex. "He had been promoted to Sergeant Major in 1864, but the records were burned with the 'City Belle,' destroying all evidence of his promotion."

"On being discharged from the service, Mr. Strauss returned to Fredericksburg, Ohio, and there attended an academy. The following year he came with his parents to Paxton, Ill., and for some nine years was engaged in teaching. In the meantime, he had determined to engage in the practice of medicine and studied to fit himself for that work under Dr. J. M. Waters, formerly of Gibson City. After three years' private study, he attended lectures at the Rush Medical College, and in 1878, on examination, was licensed to practice by the State Board of Health."

He went to Gibson City.

March, 1869 married Miss Anna George. Children: Vernon, Bryson,
married October, 1878, Sarah E. McKeever; 3 children: Ethel M, Elizabeth W. and Charles E.

1850 Census, Salt Creek Twp, Wayne Co OH, Dwelling 137, Family 139: Chas. STRAUSS, age 35 PA, saddler; Effa, age 30 NJ; Albert, age 4 OH; Charles, age 2 OH; Amanda, age 8 months OH.

1860 Census, Fredericksburg, Salt Creek Twp, Wayne County, OH, page 187 : C.R.STRAUS, age 46 PA, harness maker; Effie, age 43 NJ; Tolbert B, age 13 OH; Charles E.C., age 12 OH; Anna Maria age 10 OH; Alvin E, age 8 OH; Louis M, age 6 OH; Mary Jane, age 4 OH. Also living there is Matilda FOREST, age 21 PA, a domestic. [It looks like Tolbert was a bit younger than his age as reported on the official papers.]

Dr Tolbert B. STRAUSS married Anna GEORGE in 1869 in IL. [Member research at Family Search.]

Can't find in 1870

Ford County Illinois register of marriages: Tolbert B. STRAUSS, born OH, married Sarah E. McKEEVER born OH, on 10 Oct 1878 in Drummer Twp, Ford Co IL. His parents were Charles R. STRAUSS and Effie WOODRUFF. Her parents were Caleb McKEEVER and Sarah E. THOMPSON.

1880 Census, Gibson, Ford County, IL, page 312: Tolbert B STRAUS, age 34 OH, physician, no birthplaces for parents; Elizabeth, wife, age 24 OH, father born DE, mother born OH; Vernon, son, age 9 IL, father born

OH, mother born PA; Ethel M, daughter, 7 months IL, both parents born OH. [Note: may indicate that this may be Tolbert's second wife.]

Not found in 1890 Veterans Schedule.

1900 Census, 2nd Ward Gibson, Ford County, IL, page 61: Talbert STRAUSS, age 52 OH, born Nov 1848, married 22 yrs, father born PA, mother born NJ, physician and surgeon; Sarah E, wife, age 44 OH, born Nov 1855, married 22 yrs, 3 children/3 still living, father born DE, mother born OH; Vernon, son, age 29 IL, born June 1870, single, artist, parents born OH; Ethel, daughter, age 20 IL, born Oct 1878, single, teaching school; Charles, son, age 14 IL, born Apr 1886.

1910 Census, Green River Precinct, Emery County, UT, page 76: Tallbert STRAUSS, age 64 OH, 2nd marriage, married 31 yrs, fruit farmer; father born PA, mother born NJ; Sarrah E, wife, age 54 OH, first marriage, married 31 yrs, 3 children/3 still living, father born DE, mother born OH; Charles E, son, age 24 IL, single, laborer on home farm. [Column 30 marked UA for military service.]

1920 Census, Hyde St, District 32, Precinct 56, San Francisco, San Francisco County, CA, page 205: Henry MEYER, age 35 KS, instructor in Auto School, father born NY, mother born Germany; Elizabeth, wife, age 38 IL, parents born OH; Ethel E, daughter, age 1 yr 2 months CA, Sarah STRAUSS, mother-in-law, age 64 OH, widow, father born DE, mother born Ireland. [Family Search, Utah, County Marriages, 1887-1937: Elizabeth STRAUSS married Henry MEYER 20 Apr 1918 at Davis Co, Utah, age 28, born <1890>.]

Widow, 1930 Census, San Francisco, San Francisco Co, CA, 850 Powell St, Family 20: Ethel S.SHORT, widow, age 45 IL, age at first marriage 18, parents born OH, no occupation; Sarah STRAUSS, mother, age 74, widow, age at first marriage 22, father born Delaware, mother born OH, no occupation; E. GAUSE [male], servant, age 51 TN, single, parents born TN, private family cook.