Company D, 120th Ohio Volunteer Infantry



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SWACKHAMER, James 9 Aug 1862

Private Swackhamer was age 18 when he entered service. He was wounded 16 July 1863 in the battle of Jackson, Mississippi; discharged 24 Mar 1864 at Madison, Indiana on a Surgeon's certificate of disability.

Journal of the House of Representatives of the State of Ohio for the Session...Commencing on Monday, January 4 1864...v. LX. "Report to Governor Brough from the Quartermaster-General's Office," James SWACKHAUSEN, 120th reg't, of Clinton, wound in hand, permanent; at Madison, Indiana Hosp., 7 Mar 1864. [In response to concerns being expressed by his constituents, Gov. Brough had instructed the Quartermaster General to visit the "western hospitals" (i.e., those in IN, IL, MO, etc.) and report back on the care being provided to the Ohio soldiers in those institutions. Contributed by Kerry Kimberly]

Father: John R. SWACKHAMMER

Mother: ??Sarah Ann ??? [World Connect researcher]

Birth: 30 Apr 1844 MI

Marriage: Esther STEWARD on 29 Aug 1869 at Kankakee Co, IL

Death: 3 Aug 1915, Will Co IL

Cemetery: Custer Twp Cemetery, Will Co, IL

James SWACKHAMMER born 30 Apr 1844, died 3 Aug 1915, Co D 120th OH Vol Inf. Esther A., born 6 Jan 1847, died 6 Nov 1928.

Pension record index: James SWACKHAMMER of Co D 120th , invalid applied 10 May 1864, Application 45914, Certificate 36016. Esther A. SWACKHAMMER, widow, applied 4 Nov 1915, Application 1055287, Certificate 805242, filed in IL. Pension Card: James died 3 Aug 1915 in Will Co IL.

1850 Census, Franklin Twp, Wayne Co OH, Dwelling 124, Family 128: John SWIKEHAMMER, age 36 NJ, carpenter; Eliza, age 26 NJ; George, age 8 NJ; Sarah A., age 6 NJ; James, age 5 MI; Mary, age 4 MI; Martha J, age 10 months, OH.

1860 Census, Series M653 Roll 989, Washington Twp, Holmes County, OH, page 423: John SWACKHAMER, age 45 NJ, carpenter; Eliza, age 38 NJ; George, age 19 NJ, carpenter; Sarah, age 17 NJ; James, age 15 MI; Martha, age 10 OH; Margaret, age 7 OH; Ema I, age 5 OH; Josephus, age 2 OH.

Family Search, Illinois, County Marriages, 1810-1934: James SCHWACKHAMMER married Esther STEWARD on 29 Aug 1869 at Kankakee Co, IL.

1870 Census, Reed Twp, Will Co, IL, Dwelling 30, Family 31: James SWACKHAMMER, age 25 MI, farming; Esther, age 24 OH.

1880, US Federal Census Non-Population Schedules, 1850-1880, Type, Agriculture, Custer, Will Co, IL: lists James SWACKHAMER.

Not on 1890 Veterans Schedule.

1900 Census, Series T623 Roll 353, Custer Twp, Will Co IL, Dwelling 57, Family 57: James SWACKHAMMER, age 56 OH, born Apr 1844, farmer, parents born NJ; Esther A, wife, age 53 OH, born Jan 1847, married 30 yrs, 3 children/1 still living; Idella L, daughter, age 25 IL, single, born Sep 1874, parents born OH.

1910 Census, Series T624 Roll 333, Custer Twp, Will Co, IL, page 59: James SWACKHAMMER, age 65 OH, first marriage, married 35 yrs, farmer on general farm, parents born NJ; Esther, wife, age 60 OH, first marriage, married 35 yrs, 3 children/1 still living, parents born PA; Della, daughter, age 30 IL, single, father born OH, mother born PA [mistake?].

James SWACKHAMMER died 3 Aug 1915, a Custer Twp farmer and pioneer. [The 1915 Old Settlers' Association Necrology report, as prepared by William A Baldwin, printed in the Joliet Evening Herald-News, October 2, 1915.]

1920 Census, Series T625 Roll 454, 10th ward Indianapolis, Center Twp, Marion Co IN, page 40: Thomas C FLOYD, age 33 IL, electrician battery?, parents born KY; Della L, wife, age 33 KY, parents born OH; Esther SWACKHAMMER, mother in law, age 73 OH, widow, father born PA, mother born OH.