

Company D, 120th Ohio Volunteer Infantry

WISARD, Eugene 10 Sept 1862

Private Wisard was age 33 when he entered service. He was discharged 3 Feb 1863 at Cairo, Illinois, on a Surgeon's certificate of disability.

Father: David WISARD

Mother: Eliza TIECHE

Birth: 22 Feb 1830, Canton Berne, Switzerland

Marriage: Margaret J. REED, 29 Jan 1856, Wayne Co OH

Death: 18 Feb 1894, Salt Creek Twp, Wayne Co OH

Cemetery: Have not found. But many in the family are buried at Westlawn Cemetery, Mount Eaton, Wayne Co OH.

Pension Card: Eugene WISARD, Co D 120th OH Inf. Invalid applied 7 June 1866, Application 109483, Certificate 272599. Eugene died 18 Feb 1894 at Fredericksburg, OH.

Parents and family, 1850 Census, Paint Twp, Wayne Co OH, Dwelling 18, Family 19: David WIZARD, age 52 Switzerland, farmer; Eliza, age 30 Switzerland; Eugene E., age 21 Switzerland, farmer; Caroline, age 16 OH; Soloman, age 15 OH; Simon, age 12 OH; Mary A., age 11 OH; Albert, age 5 OH; Sophia, age 2 OH.

[[Caroline WISARD](#), 1834-1822, at Westlawn Cem, Mount Eaton, Wayne Co OH. Ohio Obituary Index: Albert WISARD died 27 Aug 1871, Salt Creek, OH, age 25.] [Family Tree at Family Search, Eliza TIECHE WISARD died 10 Nov 1860 at Salt Creek, Wayne Co OH. Family Tree, Simeon WISARD died 1869 at Wayne Co OH. Family Tree, Lucien Albert WISARD died 1871. This tree does not have anyone dying in 1866 and nobody named Louis or Lewis. Father David died 2 Nov 1873.]

Parents and family, 1860 Census, Paint Twp, Wayne Co OH, Dwelling 315, Family 317: David WIZARD, age 62 Switzerland, farmer; Eliza, age 44 Switzerland; Solomon, age 24 OH, farm laborer; Simeon, age 20 OH, shoe maker; Albert, age 14 OH; Sophia, age 11 OH; Ulius, age 10 OH; Allen, age 8 OH; Julia, age 3 OH; Celia, age 7 months OH. [Family Tree, Allen died 1874. Julia died 1860.

1860 Census, Series M653 Roll 1050, Salt Creek Twp, Wayne Co OH, Dwelling 91, Family 91: Eugene WIZARD, age 29 Bern Switzerland, farmer; Margaret, age 30 PA.

[good copy at Heritage Quest]1870 Census Salt Creek Township, Wayne County OH, Dwelling 218, Family 215: Eugene WISARD age 38 Switzerland, farmer; Margaret age 42 OH; Mary DEDIE, age 12 OH, domestic servant; David DEDIE, age 8 OH.

1880 Census, Salt Creek Township, Wayne County OH, Dwelling 186, Family 192: Eugene WISARD age 48 Switzerland, a farmer, parents born Switzerland; Margaret, wife age 55 PA, parents born PA; David DEDIE, nephew, age 18 OH, a laborer, parents born Switzerland; Mary DEDIE, niece, age 21 OH, a servant, parents born Switzerland.

[Hardesty's Historical and Geographical Encyclopedia](#). [*Wayne County Ohio version*] published in 1885, page 492, Salt Creek Twp section:

"Eugene Wisard enlisted in Salt Creek Township, Wayne county, on August 6, 1862, and at Camp Mansfield, on October 10, 1862, he was mustered into Company D, 120th Ohio Volunteer Infantry. He had volunteered his services for three years, but fate ordained that he should never take the field. Detailed as teamster, he accompanied the regiment across to Covington from Cincinnati, and while in the performance of duty there his team became frightened and ran away, and he was thrown down a thirty-five feet embankment. He was picked up insensible and borne to a hospital, where examination revealed that he had broken the left knee, smashing the knee cap, and his entire left side was severely bruised. Many months of suffering in hospital ensued, at Covington, then at Memphis, then at Cairo, Illinois, from which hospital he received discharge from service on February 5, 1863. He is a member of E.M. Mast Post, No. 305, G.A.R. He was born in Canton Berne, Switzerland, February 22, 1830, the son of David and Mary A. (Emeline) Wisard, and his father was fifteen years quartermaster in the Swiss army. Louis, brother of Eugene, served over thirteen years in the 5th United States Light Artillery, and died at Fortress Monroe, July 14, 1866, after a lingering illness. He bore the reputation of being the finest bugler in the United States army, as well as a faithful soldier. In Wayne county, January 29, 1856, Eugene Wisard married Margaret J. Reed, who was born in Lancaster county, Pennsylvania, the daughter of Robert and Sarah (Wilson) Reed. Farming is Mr. Wisard's occupation, and his postoffice address is Fredericksburg, Wayne county, Ohio."

Family Search, Ohio, Deaths and Burials, 1854-1997: Margaret WIZARD died 20 Feb 1889 at Salt Creek, Wayne Co OH, age 68. Born <1821> OH. Married.

1890 Special Veterans Schedule: Salt Creek Wayne Co OH. Line 9: Eugene L. WISARD, Co D 120th OH Inf. PO Fredericksburg, OH.

Wooster Weekly Republican, 21 Feb 1894 page 3 [died 18 Feb 1894]

"GENE" WISSARD KILLED - Deadly Quarrel Over Causes Not Clear - Clubbed by the Negro with whom he had Disputed

Special to the Wooster Republican

Fredericksburg, O. Feb 19

Eugene Wissard, a farmer, residing between this place and Maysville, died last evening from the effect of a blow on the head with a club in the hands of a negro. The men boarded at Mrs. Beiner's and it is said had a dispute last Wednesday evening over cards, when Wisard reached for a gun and the negro struck him on the head with a club, fracturing Wissard's skull. Wissard lay unconscious for two days. He was greatly improved Saturday but took worse Sunday and died about 9 o'clock Sunday night.

The negro was in the employ of Robert Russell, contractor on the Baltimore & Ohio, taking care of mules.

Wissard was a widower, aged about 50 years. He was a man greatly addicted to drink, but a man of very peacable [sic] disposition. He was nearly killed in Wooster a few years ago by being struck by a locomotive on the Pittsburg Ft. Wayne & Chicago Railroad.

Additional Particulars -- From a resident of Fredericksburg who was in Wooster Monday afternoon, The Republican learns that the man who struck Eugene Wissard left for parts unknown Saturday night. His real name was not ascertained as he was only known about the village by the name of "Henry," but his last name is supposed to be Lewis. He is quite tall, very dark, and has a heavy moustache. The claim was made by those who are familiar with the affair that the negro acted in self defense.

Wissard and the negro had been away and came to Mrs. Biener's very drunk and at the supper table got into a quarrel, when Wissard started for a gun; whereupon the negro struck him on the head with a piece of stovewood. When Wissard fell he fell backward out of the kitchen door, striking on the back of his head and during his delirium complained more of the pain in the back of his head than where the negro struck him.

Dr. D. P. Shie, of Fredericksburg, was called and gave the injured man attention; and it is said he did not think his injuries would prove fatal. No effort was made by the township authorities to take the colored man into custody nor did they think it necessary to summon Coroner Huntsberger to hold an inquest, although the propriety of doing so was suggested to them.

Death record: Eugene WISARD died 18 Feb 1894 at Salt Creek, Wayne Co OH. Age 62 born 1832 France.

Widowed. Ohio-EASy, film 579409, v 2 p 80.