

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



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MUSSER, Gideon 18 Aug 1862

Private Musser was age 26 when he entered service. He was transferred to Co. H, 114th OVI on 27 Nov 1864. Transferred to Co F, 48th OVI, 24 July 1865. Mustered out 14 Oct 1865.

Father: David MUSSER

Mother: Mary M. ROBINOLT

Birth: 30 May 1834, PA

Marriage: 1 Lovina MATHEWS on 25 Mar 1858, Wayne Co OH

2 Estella A. ZEARING, 25 Jul 1895, Wayne Co OH

Death: 21 June 1922 at West Salem, Congress Twp, Wayne Co OH.

Cemetery: Congress Cemetery, Wayne Co OH

Gideon Musser is buried in [Congress cemetery](#), Wayne county, OH----1834-1922. As shown in the photo, there is a small foot stone for Gideon out to the front of the tall stone with Lucinda's name on the front.

Pension Index: Gideon MUSSER, F 48th, H 114th, E 120th OH Inf. Invalid filed 23 Dec 1889, Application 745792, Certificate 863450, filed in OH. Widow, Stella MUSSER, filed 1922 Jun 26, Application 1190951, Certificate 917945, filed in OH.

Wayne county OH probate record: Gideon MUSSER married Lovina MATHEWS on 25 Mar 1858.

1850 Census, Chester Twp, Wayne Co OH, Dwelling 117, Family 119: David REZOR, age 26 OH, farmer; ? Fryam or Fryann, age 28 PA; Mary A, age 8 OH; Gideon MUSSER, age 16 PA; Elizabeth MUSSER, age 18 PA.

1860 Census, Congress Twp, Wayne County OH, page 342: Gideon MUSSER, age 25 PA, farmer; Lovina, age 20 OH; Laura Bell, age 1 OH; Wm A BENEWITZ, age 20 OH, a tanner.

1870 Census, Congress Twp, Wayne County OH, page 149: G P MUSSER, age 36 PA, farmer; Lavina, age 29 OH; Laura P, age 12 OH; Alice, age 9 OH; Estella, age 7 OH.

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1880 Census Congress, Wayne county, OH, page 149: Gideon MUSSER, age 48 PA, farmer, parents born PA; Lovina, wife, age 40 OH, father born OH, mother born NY; Alice A, daughter, age 20 OH; Estelle, daughter, age 18 OH. J U BRUNEMAN or BRENNEMAN, age 42 PA, boot and shoemaker, parents born PA.

1890 Veterans Schedule: Congress, Wayne Co OH: Line 12, House 117, Family 122: Gideon MUSSER, Pvt, Co E 120 OH Inf. Post Office: Congress, Wayne co OH. Disability: chronic diarrhoea and spinal disease. Spinal trouble caused by concussion of shell.

Second marriage Estella A. Ohio, County Marriages: Gideon MUSSER, married Stella ZARNIG, 25 Jul 1895, Wayne Co OH.

1900 Census Congress village, Congress Twp, Wayne County OH, page 121: Gideon MUSSER, age 66 PA, born May 1834, married 5 yrs, tanner, parents born PA; Estella A, wife, age 40 OH, born July 1859, married 5 yrs, 0 children, parents born PA.

1910 Census, South Main St, Congress, Congress Twp, Wayne County OH, page 123: Gideon P MUSSER, age 75 PA, second marriage married 14 yrs, parents born PA, own income; Estella, wife, age 50 OH, first marriage, married 14 yrs, 0 children, parents born PA. [Note: Column 30 indicates UA for military service.]

1920 Census, North or South Main St, Congress Twp, Wayne County OH, page 125: Gideon P MUSSER, age 85 PA, written in the occupation column it says "civil war veteran", parents born PA; Estelle E, wife, age 55 OH, parents born PA.

Daily Record, 22 June 1922, page 4

Gideon Musser Passed To Rest

Gideon P. Musser, one of the few remaining veterans of the civil war living in Congress township, died at his home Wednesday afternoon. Mr. Musser was a member of the 120 regiment, O.V.I., an organization formed in Wayne county during the early part of the civil war. It contained many of the county's young men of that day. Most of the regiment's members have answered the last roll call.

Mr. Musser had reached the age of 85 years and 21 days. After the war he returned to his home and for a half century was a highly respected citizen of his community.

A wife and three daughters survive. The daughters are: Mrs. Bell Campbell, Mrs. Alice Thorley, and Mrs. Estella Fresh.

Many years ago Mr. Musser became a member of the Methodist church and through his life he was an active member of the society.

Death record in Ohio: File # ?967, Gideon P. Musser died 21 Jun 1922 at Congress, Wayne Co OH. Married. Born 30 May 1834 in PA. Mail carrier. Father David MUSSER, born PA. Mother Mary M. ROBINOLT, born PA. Burial at Congress. Informant, Mrs. Stella MUSSER of West Salem, OH.

Ohio Death Record: Stella MUSSER died 22 Mar 1941, Congress, Wayne Co OH. Widow. Age 81yrs, 7 m, 27 dys. Born 25 July 1859, Smithville, Wayne Co OH. Burial at Congress. Father Daniel ZEARING born PA. Mother Margaret BUTLER born PA. Spouse Gideon MUSSER.

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