

Company E, 120th Ohio Volunteer Infantry



NISEWENDER, Elmer 15 Aug 1862 [Note: At the time, the family spelled the name NEISWENDER.]

Private Elmer Nisewender was age 19 when he entered service. He was discharged on 10 Feb 1864 at New Orleans, Louisiana, on a Surgeon's certificate of disability.

There is also a military stone for Elmer. Photo at [Find a Grave](#).

Information from Harry Brunner: Elmer was the brother of Harry's great grandfather, George, who was born in 1861. This family was originally from Switzerland. Wayne County probate records show

that Joseph NEISWANTER married Elizabeth JACOBS 19 Apr 1842.. They were Elmer's parents. Elmer's tombstone denotes his service in Company E of the 120th. He is buried at the Neiswender family plot in Plainfield Cemetery, Plainfield, Illinois. He died 11 July 1866 at age 23 yrs, 4 months and 8 days. Elmer's mother, Elizabeth Neiswender, applied for a pension for Elmer's service. Elmer's Great Grandfather, Conrad Neuschwender (Conrad's son Peter, changed the spelling of the surname to Neiswender), was a Corporal during the Revolution. At that time, the family lived in Germantown, Pennsylvania. Thanks for that information, Harry.

Father: Joseph NEISWANTER

Mother: Elizabeth JACOBS

Birth: 3 Mar 1843 [date calculator] OH

Marriage:

Death: 11 July 1866, IL

Cemetery: Plainfield Township Cemetery, Plainfield, IL, 23yrs, 4m, 8 dys., died 11 July 1866

Relationship: Information from Harry Brunner: Elmer was the first cousin of the soldier Benjamin Nisewender, Co E, 120th OVI.

Pension Index: Mother was Elizabeth NEISWENDER. Pension Card: Elmer NEISEWENDER, mother applied 20 Apr 1881, Application 282014, no certificate recorded.

1850 Census Congress Township, Wayne County, OH: Joseph NICEWINNER age 30, a carpenter PA; Elizabeth age 29 PA; Elmore, age 8 OH; Emaline, age 6 OH; Susan age 5 OH; Lydia, age 2 OH; Almeda, age one month OH. Also living there are two 16 year olds born in PA named Hiram JACOBS and Sarah HEAGENS. [Note from Harry: this is actually Abram JACOBS, brother of Elmer's mother.]

Harry Brunner sent along the 1860 census: Congress Township, Wayne County OH

Joseph NEISWINDER, age 40 PA, a carpenter; Elizabeth age 39 PA; Elmer, age 17 OH, Emeline, age 16 OH; Susan, age 14 OH; Lydia Ann, age 13 OH; Catherine, age 11 OH; John F, age 8 OH; Wm Henry, age 6 OH; Mary A, age 2 OH; David O, age 9 months OH.

Two more siblings for Elmer were George D and Clinton E who were born in 1861 and 1865 respectively.