

Company E, 120th Ohio Volunteer Infantry



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RAPP, John* 18 Aug 1862

ROPP

Sergeant Rapp was age 30 when he entered service. He was appointed from Corporal on 26 Jan 1863; he died 21 Apr 1863 on the hospital boat Nashville. The Roll of Honor lists him as being buried at Vicksburg, Mississippi, section A grave 42.



Burial Registers, Military Posts and National Cemeteries, 1862-1960, Vicksburg National Cemetery: Moved from levee three-quarters mile above Marshall Plantation, Madison Parish, LA [Note: Madison Parish is across the Mississippi River from Vicksburg], #116, Jno ROPP, Corporal, Co E 120th OH Inf. died 21 Apr 1863, had been buried in same grave with an unknown soldier of Co H 83rd OH who had also died on 21 Apr 1863. ROPP was buried at Vicksburg National Cemetery Section A, #42. The unknown soldier was buried in A, #41.

Registers of Deaths of Volunteers, 1861-1865: John ROPP, Private, Co E 120th OH Inf, died 21 Apr 1863 on the hospital steamer "Nashville".

Cause: typhoides febris. [Note: This could be the unknown seen in the Burial Registers: James A Reynolds, Private, of Co A 83rd OH Inf, died on 21 Apr 1863 on the floating hospital "Nashville". Cause: phthisis (tuberculosis)] Both soldiers are listed on the same page in the Registers of Deaths and both died in the steamboat "Nashville." James Reynolds, Co H 83rd is listed at the Department of Veterans Affairs, buried in section A grave 2897 at Vicksburg, next to John ROPP of the 120th.]

Father:

Mother:

Birth: <1832> OH

Marriage: Bathia UHLER, 1 Dec 1853, Holmes Co OH

Death: 21 Apr 1863, hospital boat Nashville

Cemetery: Vicksburg National Cem, Warren Co, MS Ropp, Jno, d. 21 Apr 1863, Plot: A 2898, Cpl, Civil War, Co E 120th OH

1850 Census, have not found.

Pension Index: Widow Bathia ROPP. Pension Card: John A. ROPP, Sgt, Co E 120th OH Inf. Widow filed 15 June 1863. Bithia Uhler ROPP is listed as the widow of John A. ROPP, Co E 120th OH Inf. Approved pension application.

Ohio, County Marriages: John ROPP married Bathia UHLER, 1 Dec 1853, Holmes Co OH.

1860 Census, Chester Twp, Wayne Co OH, Dwelling 762, Family 754: John ROPP, age 28 OH, farm labor; Bilha [female], age 28 OH.

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1870 Census, Chester Twp, Wayne Co OH, Dwelling 94, Family 93: Bertha ROPP, age 32 OH; Chalmer, age 10 OH; Harvey, age 2 OH; Mc. SHOEMAKER [female], age 8 OH; G. G., age 4 OH.

This must be William Chalmers ROPP:

Ohio Death record: John C. ROPP died 7 May 1933, Wadsworth, Medina Co OH. Married. Born 8 Sep 1860, Overton, Wayne Co OH. Father John ROPP, born OH. Mother Bertha UHLER, born Wooster, OH. Wife Minnie McClarin ROPP.

Ohio, County Marriages: Harvey S. ROPP married Dessie ZIEGLER, 28 Sep 1907. Harvey's father was John A. ROPP, mother Bithia UHLER. H. S. ROPP married Ella A. ANKERMAN, 26 Nov 1924, Wayne OH. He was age 56, born about 1868. His parents were John ROPP and Bithia UHLER.

1880 Census, Chester Twp, Wayne Co OH, Dwelling 283, Family 289: Mathia ROPP [female], age 46 OH, keeping house, parents born PA; John S, son, age 19 OH, laborer, parents born OH; Harvey S, son, age 12 OH, parents born OH.

[Information provided by Stephanie: Death certificate: Harvey Seymour Ropp b. 24 June 1868 in Chester, Oh. d. 11 June 1932 in Sullivan, Ashland Co., Oh) lists "Unknown" for father and "Bethia Uhler" for mother.]
Bethia does not appear to have ever remarried based on Census records and

1890 Special Veterans Schedule: Chester Twp, Wayne Co OH: Line 12, House 59, Family 60: Bithia ROPP, widow of John ROPP, Pvt Co E 120th OH Inf., died in service, discharge lost. Post Office Cedar Valley OH.

1900 Census, Chester Twp, Wayne Co OH, Dwelling 275, Family 276: Harvey ROPP, age 31 OH, widow born June 1868, farmer parents born OH; Bithia, mother, widow, age 66 OH, born Dec 1833, parents born PA; Bernard R, son, age 5 OH, born Aug 1894, parents born OH.

For information about a hospital ship named Nashville go to this outside site:

<http://members.tripod.com/~Write4801/riverboats/n.html>

Pension information for widow at fold3.com:

Bithia ROPP, widow of John A. ROPP, Sergt, Co E 120th OH Vol. of Wayne Co OH, Post Office Cedar Valley, OH.

Soldier died on board hospital boat 'Nashville' 21 Apr 1863, of typhoid fever, near Millikens Bend LA.

Widow's Declaration dated 8 May 1863. Bithia was age 29. Bithia and John ROPP were married 1 Dec 1853.

One minor child William Chalmers aged 2, 8 Sep 1862 residing with applicant at Cedar Valley, Wayne Co OH.

Witnesses were Ezra UHLER and W. J. SMITH, residents of Wayne Co OH.

John ROPP enlisted at Chester Twp, Wayne Co OH, and mustered in as a Corporal. Was promoted to 5th Sergeant.

John ROPP of Holmes Co OH married Bithia UHLER of Holmes Co OH were married 1 Dec 1853 by W M Conant, Minister of the Gospel; witnessed by Ann UHLER and Elizabeth.

Affidavit of William DULIN of Co E 120th, dated 11 July 1864: "...that said John A Ropp was buried in the levee on or about the 22nd day of April A. D. 1863. Said Ropp was taken sick on or about the 18th day of March 1863, with said fever, and continued sick with the same up to the time of his death on or about the 21st day of April 1863, that previous to his attack of fever his general health was good: and he was a faithful soldier."

Justin GEORGET was the physician present at the birth of William C. ROPP, son of Bithia and John.

William Chalmers ROPP was born at Wayne Co OH 8 Sep 1860.