

Company G, 120th Ohio Volunteer Infantry



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GALEHOUSE, John Wesley 21 Aug 1862
John, age 18, is listed in the Roster of Ohio Soldiers 1861-66 volume 8, page 260 as 1st Sergeant. He was appointed Sergeant from Corporal 18 Jan 1863, to 1st Sergeant on 15 Mar 1863. He was then promoted to 1st Lieutenant on 21 Mar 1864 but not mustered. He was discharged 15 Apr 1864 to accept a promotion but no further record was found...[See discharge record below]
[Enlisted at Doylestown]

Father: Elias GALEHOUSE
Mother: Elizabeth BENDER
Birth: 29 May 1844 OH
Marriage: G. W. GALEHOUSE married Nettie HILE on 26 Aug 1866
Death: 3 Dec 1879, Wayne Co OH
Cemetery: Chestnut Hill Cemetery, Doylestown OH
Relationship: Cousin of Harvey Galehouse, Co G 120th OVI.

John Wesley GALEHOUSE is buried at Chestnut Hill Cemetery, Doylestown OH. Section 7.
29 May 1844 - 3 Dec 1879
Nettie, his wife, d. ?10 June 1874?
Two infant daughters, Grace and Nettie

Pension Index: John W GALEHOUSE, G 120th OH Inf. Invalid filed 1879 Sep 30, Application 312770, Certificate 226125. Minor, Elias GALEHOUSE guardian, filed 1880 Jan 5, Certificate 258041, Certificate 198712.

1850 census, Chippewa Twp, Wayne Co OH page 213
Elias Galehouse (36 OH) a farmer, Eliz (26 Oh), Mary (13 OH), Martha (10 OH), Sarah A. (8 OH), Wesley (6 OH), Silas (4 OH). [Wayne County Probate Court record: Elias GALEHOUSE married Elizabeth BENDER on 8 Jun 1837 in Wayne Co OH.] [Note: Brother, Albert's death record agrees with this same name for his mother and says both parents were born in New Lisbon, OH.

1860 census, Doylestown, Chippewa Twp, Wayne OH page 360
Elias Galehouse (46 OH) a merchant, Elisabeth (34), Mary (20) a tailor by trade, Sarah A. (17), John W (16), Silas (13), Albert (7), Alice (3). All born in OH.
[Soldier John may have had two more siblingsin the 1880 census for the same area, there are two listed that were not yet born in 1860....Nellie age 16 and Harry age 11.]

Wooster Republican, 1 Jan 1863: Listed J. Wesley Galehouse's residence as Chippewa.

Discharge record on microfilm at Wayne Co OH, page 275 in book 1:
John Wesley Galehouse, 1st Srgt. Co G 120th, was discharged 15 April 1864 at Morganzia Louisiana by reason of his acceptance of a commission as 1st Lieutenant [with the year 1865]
He was born in Wayne co OH, enrolled at age 19, was 5' 9¾" tall, light complexion, grey eyes, dark hair and he was a miller. The Oath of Identity was dated 14 Dec 1865 and he was of Doylestown, in Wayne co OH.

Ohio Marriages: G. W. GALEHOUSE married Nettie HILE on 26 Aug 1866.

1870 census, Doylestown Chippewa Township, Wayne Co OH page 102
J. Wesley Galehouse, (26 OH), a miller, Nettie (20 OH), Harry (age 1 OH)

[Note: In 1880 Harry, age 11, was living with his grandparents Elias and Elizabeth GALEHOUSE.]

The Ohio Veterans Grave Registration site says that John W. Galehouse of Co G 120th OVI is buried in Wayne County. In the Wayne County burials book there are two John W. Galehouse men buried in Chestnut Hill cemetery in Doylestown: John W. Galehouse, died 3 Dec 1879, age 35 yrs and 6 months. This would be correct birth time for John Wesley of Co. G. This must be the correct man since the soldier John W. Galehouse of Co G applied for an invalid pension 30 Sep 1879 and then on 5 Jan 1880 a guardian for a minor was appointed...meaning that John W. must have died between the two applications. This guardian's name was Elias Galehouse. This guardian may have been John W's father who did not die until 21 Feb 1894 in Doylestown.

Wayne County Grave Registration Cards book: John W. Galehouse, address Wayne County OH, died 3 Dec 1879, born 29 May 1844. Buried Chestnut Hill, lot #9, block #7, grave #2.

Son's death record in Ohio: File # 61867, Harry W GALEHOUSE of 1966 E. 71st St., died 3 Nov 1925 at Cleveland, Cuyahoga Co OH. Single. Jeweler. Retired. Born 22 Dec 1868 at Doylestown OH. Father John Wesley GALEHOUSE, born OH. Mother Nettie HILE, born Clinton, OH. Burial Doylestown OH. Informant W Z R EDWARDS, of 1966 E. 71st.