

Company G, 120th Ohio Volunteer Infantry



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GOCHENHOUR, John 22 Aug 1862
GOCHNAUER

John, age 19, is listed in the Roster of Ohio Soldiers 1861-66 volume 8, page 261 as a private. He was captured 3 May 1864 near Snaggy Point on the Red River in Louisiana. He mustered out 7 July 1865 at Camp Chase OH by order of the War Department.
John enlisted at Orrville.

Father: Samuel GOCHNAUER
Mother: Catherine HOOVER
Birth: 16 Aug 1843, East Union Twp, Wayne Co OH
Marriage: Margaret STONER, 15 Aug 1867, Wooster, Wayne Co OH
Death: 8 Jan 1913, Wayne Co OH

Cemetery: Crown Hill Cemetery, Orrville, Wayne Co OH

Pension Index: John GOCHNAUER, G 120th and G 114th OH Inf. Invalid filed 1879 Oct 31, Application 319116; Certificate 352028 . Widow, Margaret GOCHNAUER, filed 1913 Jan 30, Application 1000.885; Certificate 757, 338, filed in OH.

1850 Census, Sugar Creek, Wayne Co OH, Dwelling 28, Family 28: Saml GOEHNAUER, age 32 PA; Catharine, age 29 PA; Martha A, age 8 oh; John A., age 6 oh; Saml, age 5 OH; Mary E, age 3 OH; Philip, age 1 OH.

1860 Census, Sugar Creek Twp, Wayne County OH, page 103: Saml GOCHNANER OR GOCHNAUER, age 42 PA, farmer; Catharine, age 39 PA; Martha, age 18 OH; John, age 16 OH; Samuel, age 14 OH; Mary, age 12 OH; Philip, age 10 OH; Franklin, age 8 OH; David, age 6 OH; George, age 4 OH.

Wooster Republican, 1 Jan 1863: Listed John Gochenour's residence as Chippewa Twp, Wayne Co OH.

1870 not with parents....haven't found yet

1880 Census, Sugar Creek, Wayne County, OH, page 330: John GOCHNAUER, age 37 OH, farmer, parents born PA; Margaret, wife, age 34 OH, parents born PA; Anna, daughter, age 12 OH; Mary E, daughter, age 10 OH; Catharine, daughter, age 7 OH; William, son, age 5 OH; Samuel, son, age 3 OH; Ada A, daughter, age 1 OH.

Hardesty's Wayne County version, page 497 [See Sources](#)

Sugar Creek Township

John A. Gochnauer enlisted at Orrville, August 22, 1862, and was mustered into Company G, 120th Ohio volunteer Infantry at Camp Mansfield, the first of September. He went with the regiment into the field, where it was assigned to the 13th army corps under Sheridan, and joined his forces before the battle of Chickasaw Bayou. In this battle he was not a participant, having been a victim of chronic diarrhea for several weeks, and being so reduced that he could barely walk, and was not allowed to leave the boat, either there or at Arkansas Post. He participated in the vigorous campaigning under Grant before Vicksburg, having first suffered further sickness, as did most of the regiment, at Youngs Point, and he fought at Thompsons Hill, Raymond, Black River Bridge, the two assaults on Vicksburg and at Jackson. The regiment was then transferred to Louisiana, and for one month, fall of 1863, he was detailed orderly for the general commanding at New Orleans. When the regiment was at Plaquemine he received thirty days furlough, which was extended sixty days, his illness continuing. He reported to his regiment near Baton Rouge, started with it up the Red river, was captured at the sinking of the City Belle, and taken to the Camp Ford prison in Tyler county, Texas. Thirteen months he was confined there, suffering all that man can suffer and live. He with a companion laid out a plan for escape, to bribe the guards, get a start and make for Mexico, as the boys trying to make their way north were about all recaptured. But the prisoners were removed for parole, and returned to God's country. [Ohio] He was mustered out at Columbus, July 7, 1865. Notwithstanding the loss of his health, which has never been restored, he has not been granted the pension for which he applied, and to which he is entitled. [1885] He was born in East Union township, Wayne county, August 16, 1843, son of Samuel and Catharine (Hoover) Gochnauer. In Wooster he married Margaret Stoner, August 15, 1867, and their children were born: Anna Odessa, May 26, 1868; Mary Elizabeth, December 5, 1870; Jeannetta

Catharine, August 8, 1872; William Franklin, June 6, 1874; Samuel Clyde, March 21, 1877; Ada Almeda, May 20, 1879; Thomas Edward, Sep 13, 1881. Margaret, daughter of Charles and Elizabeth (Oberlin) Stoner, was born in Wood County, Ohio, June 25, 1845. Mr. Gochnauer is farming near Dalton, which is his postoffice address.

1890 Veterans Schedule: Sugar Creek Twp, Wayne Co OH: Line 7, House 35, Family 36: John A. GOCHNAUR, Co G 120 OH Inf. Post Office Dalton, Wayne Co OH. Disability: chronic diarrhoea.

1900 Census, Series T623 Roll 1322, Lawrence Twp, Stark Co OH, page 127: John A. GOCHNAUER, age 56 OH, born Aug 1843, married 32 yrs, farmer, parents born PA; Margaret S, wife, age 54 OH, born June 1845, married 32 yrs, 8 children/8 still living; parents born PA; Anna A TIECHE, daughter, age 32 OH, born May 1868, married 9 yrs, 1 child/1 still living; Verne TIECHE, grandson, age 8 OH, born Apr 1892, father born Germany, mother born OH; William GOCHNAUER, son, age 25 OH, single, born June 1874, farm laborer; Samuel, son, age 23 OH, single, born Mar 1877, farm laborer; Thomas E, son, age 18 OH, single, born Sep 1881; George G, son, age 15 OH, single, born May 1885.

1910 Census, Baughman Twp, Wayne County, OH, page 25: John GOCHNAUER, age 66 OH, first marriage, married 43 yrs, farmer on general farm, father born PA, mother born OH; Margaret, wife, age 64 OH, first marriage, married 43 yrs, 8 children/8 still living, parents born Pa; Samuel C, son, age 33 OH, single, farmer on general farm; Thomas E, son, age 28 OH, farmer on general farm, single; George C, son, age 25 OH, farm labor at home, single. [Column 30 indicates UA as service in the military for John.]

Dalton Gazette [*in Wayne co. OH*], page 1, Thursday, 16 Jan 1913
Aged Farmer Dies

John A. Gochnauer, a widely known and aged farmer, living near Burton City [*east of Orrville in Wayne county OH*], contracted a cold a week or ten days ago, which on Friday last developed into an attack of pneumonia and caused his death Wednesday morning at 4 o'clock, aged 69 years.

Mr. Gochnauer was a civil war veteran, and a life long resident of Wayne county, having been born near the home where he died. He is survived by a wife, eight children, four brothers, S. J. of Massilon; D. H. of near Orrville; Frank and George, of this place, and one sister Mrs. Barr of Ashland. [*all these places are in OH*]

Mr. & Mrs. George Gochnauer, sons Wade and Clayton; Mrs. Susan Caldwell, Mr. & Mrs. J. W. Caldwell and Mr. L.C. Davison, of this place attended the funeral, which was held Saturday last from the Orrville Reformed church.

Ohio Death Index: John A. Gochnauer died 8 Jan 1913 in Wayne county OH.

Wayne County Burials book:
Section B, lot #24

John A. Goghnauser, buried Crown Hill cemetery in Orrville OH, buried 10 Jan 1913, age 69 years.
Margaret, buried 14 Jun 1923 age 77 years.

Wayne County Grave Registration Cards book:

John Abraham Gochnauger, address Wayne County OH, died 1913, born 1843, buried at Crown Hill in Orrville OH, Lot #24, block #9, grave #3.

Death Record in Ohio: File #6174 John Abraham GOCHNAUER died 8 Jan 1913 at Baughman Twp, Wayne Co OH. Married. Farmer. Born 16 Aug 1843 at Wayne Co OH. Parents Samuel GOCHNAUER and Catherine HOOVER, born PA. Burial Crown Hill Cemetery. Informant Mrs. Jno GOCHNAUER, of Orrville OH.

Wife's [Death Record](#) in Ohio: File #41318, Margaret GOCHNAUER died 12 June 1923 at Baughman Twp, Wayne Co OH. Widow. Husband John GOCHNAUER. Born 25 June 1845 at Stark Co OH. Parents Chas STONER and Elizabeth OBERLIN, born PA. Burial Crown Hill Cemetery. Informant Mrs. O. V. GARDNER, of Orrville OH.