

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



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BUZZARD, Bigelow 1 Sept 1862  
Bigelow, age 31, is listed in the Roster of Ohio Soldiers 1861-66 volume 8, page 264, as a Private. He was discharged 17 July 1863 for **wounds** received in the battle of Thompson's Hill, Mississippi.

Father: Daniel BUZZARD  
Mother: Nancy DRAKE  
Birth: 29 Sep 1830, Holmes Co OH  
Marriage: Araminda BROWN, November 15, 1860  
Death: 6 Mar 1900, Holden, Johnson County, MO  
Cemetery: Kingsville Cemetery, Kingsville, Johnson County MO

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Pension Index: Bigelow D BUZZARD, H 120th OH Inf. Invalid filed 1866 Dec 28, Application 120503, Certificate 82414. Bigelow's widow "Aminda" applied for pension in 1900 June 8 in Missouri, Application 720852, Certificate 502405. World Connect has Bigelow's death as 6 Mar 1900 in Holden, Johnson county, MO. Check newspapers around that date.

1850 Census, Ripley Twp, Holmes Co OH, Dwelling 827, Family 865: Danile BUZZARD,, age 60 PA, farmer: Cath\*\*, age 56 PA; Thomas, age 24 OH, laborer: Sarah, age 24 OH; Daniel B, age 20 OH; Nancy, age 16 OH; Charles W, age 11 OH. [Father, Daniel BUZZARD, married Nancy DRAKE, 1 Feb 1815, at Wayne Co OH. He married Mary E. FRAZIER on 4 Oct 1846 at Wayne Co OH.]

1860 Census, Worthington Twp, Richland County, OH, page 183: Daniel BUZZARD, age 69 PA; Mary, age 65 PA; Sarah, age 33 OH; Bigelow, age 28 OH; Nancy, age 26 OH; Wesley, age 20 OH; Ellen BROWN, age 31 OH, common school teacher; Emma BROWN, age 10 OH.

1870 Census, Kingsville, Johnson Co MO, Dwelling 109, Family 103: B. D. BUZARD, age 40 OH, farmer; Armanda, age 29 OH; Anne V, age 9 OH; Grant W. S.k, age 6 OH.

1880 Census, Kingsville Twp, Johnson Co MO, Dwelling 83, Family 83: Big. D. BUZZARD; age 49 OH, farmer, parents born PA; Minnie, wife, age 38 OH, father born PA, mother born OH; Anna, daughter age 18 OH, parents born OH; Ulysses J, son, age 15 OH, works on farm, parents born OH; Jennette, daughter, age 14 OH, parents born OH; Edith, daughter, age 10 MO, parents born OH; Gilbert, son, age 9 MO, parents born OH; Lizzie, daughter, age 7 MO, parents born OH; Ethel, daughter, age 5 MO, parents born OH; Minnie, daughter, age 2 MO, parents born OH; Maude, age 2 months MO, born Mar 1880, parents born OH.

1890 Veterans Schedule: Kingsville, Johnson Co MO: Line 18, House 83, Family 83: Bigelow D BUZZARD, Pvt, Co H 120 OH Inf. Post Office: Holden, Johnson Co MO. Shot through right lung. Pensioner.

1900 Census, Kingsville Twp, Johnson Co MO, Dwelling 77, Family 77: Arminda BUZZARD, age 58 OH, widow, born Sep 1841, 14 children/11 still living, father born PA, mother born OH, farmer; Gilbert M, son, age 28 MO, single, born Jan 1871, parents born OH, farm laborer; Ethel B, daughter, age 25 MO, single, born Sep 1874, parents born OH; Maud E., daughter, age 20 MO, single, born Mar 1880, parents born OH; Guy, son, age 18 Mo, single, born Dec 1881, parents born OH, farm laborer; Josie O, daughter, age 17 MO, born May 1883, parents born OH; Cora A, daughter, age 13 MO, born Aug 1886, parents born OH; Edith FRARY, daughter, age 30 MO, born June 1869, widow, 2 children/2 still living; Freddie S, grand son, age 5 IA, born Jan 1895, father born NY, mother born MO; Alferla/Alberta J., grand daughter, age 3 IA, born July 1896, father born NY, mother born MO. [Note: Ulysses G. BUZZARD is in the next dwelling with his family.]

1910 Census, 711 West Washington St, City of Bloomington, McLean Co, IL, Dwelling 251, Family 277: A. BUZZARD, female, age 68 OH, widow, 14 children/9 still living, father born PA, mother born OH; Elizabeth, daughter, age 37 MO, single, parents born OH, clerk in retail store; Maude, daughter, age 30 MO, single, parents born OH, no occupation; Lula SALZMAN, lodger, age 21 IL, single, parents born IL, operator in telephone office.

1920 Census, 205 Union St, City of Bloomington, McLean Co, IL, Dwelling 260, Family 281: Edward S DOWNS, age 50 IL, father born England, mother born IN, locomotive engineer on railroad; Jennie F, wife, age 53 OH, father born PA, mother born OH; Ada F, daughter, single, age 19 MO, father born IL, mother born OH, retail dry goods sales woman; Harold S, son, age 15 yrs, 4 months IL, father born IL, mother born OH; Arminda BUZZARD, mother in law, age 78 OH, widow, father born PA, mother born OH; Mandella, sister in law, age 39 MO, single, father born PA, mother born OH, graduate nurse in private hospital.

From Barbara Lawrence, Buzzard Researcher

The following is found on pages 266-67 of Portrait and Biographical Record of Johnson and Pettis Counties, Missouri (Containing Portraits and Biographical Sketches of Prominent and Representative Citizens of the Counties Together with Biographies and Portraits of all the Presidents of the United States) Chicago: Chapman Publishing Co. 1895.

BIGELOW D. BUZZARD has been engaged in agricultural pursuits on section 24, township 45, range 29, Johnson County, for the past quarter of a century. He is a patriotic citizen, and one greatly interested in the prosperity of the country for which he fought during the War of the Rebellion. He was born in Holmes County, Ohio, September 29, 1830, and was reared to maturity on his father's farm. After receiving ordinary educational privileges, and when twenty-two years of age, he went to a boarding- school for a few months, paying for his tuition with money he had earned himself.

*[about his parents]*

The father of our subject, Daniel Buzzard, was born in Westmoreland County, Pa., July 19, 1790, and served in the War Of 1812, on the lake. Afterward he settled in Holmes County, Ohio, entering land from the Government, and resided there until 1850, when he sold out, locating near Odella Lake. In 1853 he went to Richland County, where he purchased one hundred and thirty-five acres, and thereon spent the remainder of his life. He never received a pension nor land-warrant, because there had not been proper records of his army service kept, but he bought a couple of land-warrants of a nephew, and located three hundred and twenty acres in Linn County, Iowa. He was twice married, his first wife being a Miss Nancy Drake, by whom he had fifteen children, all but five of whom lived to manhood and womanhood. A strong anti-slavery man, he rejoiced at the downfall of the system, and after the organization of the Republican party became one of its supporters. His death occurred August 16, 1865.

*[more about Bigelow Buzzard]*

B. D. Buzzard was reared on his father's farm, and continued to work on the place until 1860, with the exception of a few short intervals. *[So Bigelow joined the Company out of Richland county.]* November 15, 1860, he wedded Araminda Brown, who was born in Richland County, Ohio, September 16, 1841, being a daughter of Caleb and Elizabeth (Johnston) Brown, natives of Butler County, Pa., and Greene County, Ohio, respectively. The mother's parents, however,

were also from the Keystone State. The Browns and Johnstons were of Scotch and Irish descent, but for many generations had lived in America. The Buzzard family is of German origin, and our subject's father could speak little English until after he was twelve years of age.

Before his marriage Bigelow Buzzard erected a large house on his father's farm, and both families lived together after that event. In September, 1862, he enlisted in Company H, One Hundred and Twentieth Ohio Infantry, and took part in the battles of Arkansas Post, Milliken's Bend and the siege of Vicksburg. May 1, 1863, he was wounded in the right lung and fell prostrate, but as soon as he was able to stand, he was led to the rear, where his wounds were dressed, and for about two months he was in the field hospital. He came very near death's door, and attributes his recovery partly to the fact that he was kept on a diet of boiled milk, which is nourishing and easily digested. June 29, 1863, he was taken to Benton Barracks, near St. Louis, and was there honorably discharged on the 17th of the following month. He went to the front under Captain Phelan, later served under Captain Taylor, and had as his Colonel a Mr. French, from his native county.

Returning home, Mr. Buzzard lived in Richland County, Ohio, until March, 1866, and there four of his children were born. Moving to Cooper County, Mo., he purchased one hundred and twenty acres, paying the amount required on the spot, and cultivated the farm for two years. In 1868, selling out, he moved to Johnson County and invested in a tract of one hundred and thirty-five acres. In 1870 he also sold this tract, buying instead his present home of a quarter-section. Since then he has added another eighty acres, and thus has a valuable farm, comprising two hundred and forty acres within its boundaries.

The eldest child of Mr. and Mrs. Buzzard, Annie Violet, born July 14, 1861, married George Frary, and died January 7, 1895, leaving four children, one having previously died in infancy. Ulysses Grant, born June 19, 1864, and a resident of Kingsville Township, is married and has one child. Jeanette F., born January 7, 1866, is clerking in Salida, Colo. Martha E., born in Cooper County, Mo., November 29, 1867, died December 18, 1871. Alice E., a native of this county, born June 16, 1869, married Albert Frary, by whom she has one child, and is a resident of Linn County, Iowa. The younger children are Gilbert N., born January 31, 1870; Lizzie Pauline, February 11, 1873; Ethel Blanche, September 27, 1874; Minnie L., January 9, 1878; Maude E., March 25, 1880; Guy Ashton, December 5, 1881; Josie Olive, May 22, 1883; and Cora Augusta, August 30, 1886.

Politically Mr. Buzzard is a Republican, with strong prohibition proclivities. Both he and his wife have been members of the Methodist Episcopal Church for many years, the former having become identified with the same in his early manhood, and the latter having been a member since 1862. They are worthy people and well entitled to a place among the honored old residents of Johnson County.

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Bigelow Daniel Buzzard died 6 Mar 1900 in Holden, Johnson County, MO and was buried in Kingsville Cemetery, Kingsville, Johnson County MO. His wife Arminda (Minnie) Brown was born: 16 Sep 1841 Neville, Clermont Co., OH and died: 29 Sep 1921 Bloomington, IL

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