

Company H, 120th Ohio Volunteer Infantry



HOOVER, Samuel E. 15 Aug 1862
Samuel Edgar HOOVER Samuel, age 19, is listed in the Roster of Ohio Soldiers 1861-66 volume 8, page 264, as a Private.

Father: Martin HOOVER
Mother: Elizabeth SONS
Birth: 29 Dec 1843, Johnstown, PA
Marriage: Mary Ann Dague 29 Aug 1867 in: Wayne Co., Ohio
2 Catherine Steel, <1870>, Rittman, OH
Death: May 24, 1921, Barberton, Ohio
Cemetery: Hoover-Swagler Cemetery, near Rittman, Wayne Co, OH
Relationship: Brother of Lewis HOOVER, Co H, 120th OVI
Samuel was discharged 24 Feb 1864 on Surgeon's certificate of disability.
Samuel also served in Company A of the 169th OVI which was a company that served for 100 days on garrison duty at Fort Ethan Allen at Washington City. This service is listed along with Co. H 120th on his pension records. The 169th participated in the defeat of Early's attack on Washington. It was composed of the two battalions of the Ohio National Guard from Sandusky County and Wayne County.

Thanks to Don Penrod for Samuel's discharge record: Samuel E. Hoover was enlisted as a Private in company H 120th Regiment Ohio Vol Inf on the 16th day of August 1862 at Smithville, Ohio by Lieut. Taylor and was mustered into the United States service as such for the period of three years on the 14th day of October, 1862 at Camp Mansfield, O. by Capt Drake US Mustering Officer and that he was discharged for disability Feby 26th 1864.

Pension Index: Samuel E HOOVER, A 169th and H 120th OH Inf. Invalid filed 1888 Feb 13 in OH, Application 639661, Certificate 493119. Pension Card: Samuel died 25 May 1921 at Barberton OH. Date disagrees with death record.

1850 Census, Wayne Twp, Wayne County, OH, page 295: Martin HOOVER, age 50 PA; Elizabeth, age 35 PA; Lewis, age 12 PA [see above]; Mary, age 10 PA; Samuel, age 8 PA; David, age 3 PA; George W, age 10 months OH.

Photo from Don Penrod.



1860 Census, Milton Twp, Wayne Co OH, page 210: Martin HOOVER, age 59 PA, farmer; Elizabeth, age 45 PA; Louis, age 20 PA, farm hand; Mary, age 19 PA; Samuel, age 17 PA; David, age 12 PA; George, age 10 OH; Susan, age 7 OH; Sarah, age 5 OH; John, age 2 OH.

1870 Census, Milton Twp, Wayne Co OH, page 258: Mort HOOVER, age 60 OH, farmer; Elizabeth, age 60 OH; Samuel, age 27 OH; Mary, age 24 OH; George, age 29 OH; Susan, age ?? OH; John, age 12 OH; Sarah, age 13 OH. [Mary died in childbirth]

1880 Census, Center Twp, Appanoose Co, IA, page 582: Samuel E. HOOVER, age 36 PA, farmer, parents born PA; Catherine, wife, age 36 IN, parents born KY; Alice, daughter, age 7 OH; Walter, son, age 2 IA.

Catherine died 1886.

1890 Veterans Schedule: Guilford, Medina Co OH: Line 16, House 77, Family 80: Samuel E. HOOVER, Pvt, Co H 120 OH Inf. Post Office: Seville, Medina Co OH. Spinal dif by mumps, rheumatism.

?1900 Census Barberton Dist 0098, Summit Co OH, Dwelling 433, Family 512: John COGAN, age and date of birth non known, born

Ireland, parents born Ireland, day laborer; Mary, wife, born 1860, age 40, married 20 yrs, 0 children, parents born Ireland; Anna SONG, born July 1854, age 41 OH, divorced, 4 children/4 still living, parents born OH; Simon HOOVER, age 56, born Dec 1843 PA, widowed, parents born PA, day laborer.

1910 Census, Norton Twp, Summit Co OH, page 209: Edgar S. SMITH, age 37 MO, foreman boiler factory, parents born MO; Alice C, age 37 OH, father born PA, mother born IN, first marriage, married 10 yrs, 3 children/3 still living; Lucille, daughter, age 9 OH; Ruth E, daughter, age 6 OH; Edgar T, son, age 6 OH; Samuel E. HOOVER, father in law, age 66 PA, widowed, parents born PA, own income, Column 30 marked UA for service in the military.

1920 Census, 3rd Ward Barberton, Summit Co OH, page 175: C. S. SMITH, age 47 MO, factory work, parents born MO; Alice, wife, age 47 OH, father born PA, mother born IN; Lucele, daughter, age 19 OH, single, draughtsman in factory; Ruth, daughter, age 16 OH; Edgar, son, age 11 OH; Melanie, daughter, age 8 OH; Samuel HOOVER, father in law; age 76 PA, widowed, parents born PA, no occupation.

Death Record in Ohio: File # 30238, Samuel E. HOOVER died 24 May 1921 at 135 Frederick St, Barberton, Summit Co OH. Widower. Born 28 Feb 1873 at Bedford Co PA. Retired. Father Martin HOOVER, born PA. Mother Elizabeth Hoover, born PA. Burial Swager Cemetery.

More from Contributor Donovan Penrod:

Parents of Samuel:

Father: MARTIN HOOVER: Born: Abt. 1801 in: New Holland, Lancaster County Penn. Married: in: Pa. Died: December 19, 1882 in: Rittman, Wayne County, Ohio

Mother: Elizabeth SONS Born: May 1817 m: Pa. Died: February 21, 1901 in: Wayne Co, Rittman, Ohio

Siblings of Samuel:

1 Name: [Lewis Hoover](#). (Also a member of Company H) Born: 1840 in: Penn. Died: March 11, 1870 in: Rittman

2 Name: Mary Hoover: Born: 1841 in: Pa. Married: Spouse: Schenck

This soldier[3 Name: SAMUEL EDGAR HOOVER]

4 Name: David Hoover: Born: 1848 in: Penn. Died March 11, 1870 in: Rittman, Ohio Married: Single

5 Name: George Washington Hoover: Born: 6 Nov 1849 in: Wayne Tnsp. Ohio Died: September 13, 1922 in: Rittman, Ohio Married: 3 Apr 1879 in: Rittman, Ohio to Lydia Steiner

6 Name: Susan Ann Hoover: Born 19 Nov 1852 in: Wayne County, Ohio Died May 26, 1937 in: Sterling, Wayne County, Ohio Married: 16 Nov 1875 in: Wayne Co, Ohio Spouse: Joel Amstutz

7 Name: Sarah Hoover: Born: 1855 in: Wayne Cty, Rittman F Died: 1930 in: Rittman, Ohio Married: 1 Nov 1875 in: Wayne Co., Ohio Spouse: Henry Kroft

8 Name: John Calvin Hoover Born: 1858

Samuel Hoover's first wife was Mary Ann Dague, also complications of giving birth (boy) to what would have been their first child. I was told that her parents took the child to raise. Have no idea as to his name. [Wayne County Probate Court record: Samuel E. HOOVER married Mary Ann DAUGE on 29 Aug 1867 in Wayne Co OH.]

He married Catherine Steele About 1870 in Rittman. She was born about 1846 and died in childbirth summer of 1886. This child is not listed below.

The children of Samuel Hoover and Catherine Steele: Catherine was visiting relatives in OH when they met. Their first child Alice was born in OH and one other child that did not live, and some time after that they moved to Centerville Iowa.

1. Alice C. Hoover b. 24 Dec 1872 Rittman, Ohio d. 1 Mar 1964 Barberton, Ohio. Married C. S. (Stoke) Smith

2. Now this one I don't give too much credit to, but it is listed as a birth to Samuel and Catherine Hoover in the courthouse in Wooster. Strange name and no one ever talked about her, but here goes: Snoda Hoover b. 24 Dec 1873 in Wayne County, Milton Twp, Ohio

3. Walter Hampton Hoover (this one is Don Penrod's grandfather) b. 11 Oct 1877 Centerville, Iowa d. 3 Oct 1948 Wadsworth, Ohio. Married Dora Lance 7 Apr 1901.

The published Obituary gives a death date of 4 Oct 1948. He died right at 11:00PM, the family who was present has always used the 3 October date.

4. Eddie Hoover, would assume Edward, b. about 1880 Centerville, Iowa d. about 1880 Centerville, Iowa.

5. John Cleveland Hoover b. 19 Dec 1884 Centerville, Iowa d. 17 January 1961 Pontiac, Michigan. Married Eleanor Elizabeth Byers.

Calculated from remarks of Uncle Cleve and my Grandfather. Uncle Cleve was about 2 1/2 years old [<1887>] when the family moved back to Wayne Co., and they talked how his father had to carry him through the deep snow drifts.

Obituary: Rittman Press Thursday 2 June 1921

Civil War Veteran Dies

Samuel Hoover who resided in this section many years ago died in Barberton on Tuesday of last week at the home of a daughter, Mrs. C.S. Smith. The deceased was a veteran of the Civil War and was more than 77 years of age.

Funeral services were held Friday in Rittman at the U. B. Church at 10:30 a.m. and were conducted by the pastor. The burial was made in the Swagler cemetery.

Samuel Hoover moved from Ohio to Iowa considerably more than a quarter of a century ago. There his wife died and about 25 years ago he returned to Ohio to make his home. He has been living recently at the home of his daughter in Barberton.

Besides the daughter just mentioned he is survived by two sons, Walter Hoover, of Rittman and J.C. Hoover, of Detroit.

The deceased served in the Union army during the Civil War, 1861 to 1865, and later made his home in this vicinity and then at a still later period moved to the west.

Samuel E. Hoover and his first wife are buried in Hoover-Swagler Cemetery, near Rittman, Wayne County, OH (Row 2 #5)