Company I, 120th Ohio Volunteer Infantry



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DEARTH, John 27 Feb 1864 **Jacob** was name used on Pension Record. Private Dearth was age 40 when he entered service. Captured 24 Aug 1864; mustered out 17 June 1865 at Camp Chase, Ohio. [Pension index shows that Jacob DEARTH also joined the 118th, Company B, at Cincinnati, OH at age 39 in August of 1862 but was discharged 2 Dec 1863 at Camp Dennison, Ohio on a surgeon's certificate of disability.] Thanks to a visitor: It seems that the man listed in the Official Roster of the Soldiers of the State of Ohio is actually Jacob Dearth.

Father: Thomas DEARTH [died 1860 in Iowa]

Mother: Nancy ???[Nancy died March 1850 at age 44, born PA in Hancock Co OH, buried Shannon Cem, Richland Twp, Allen Co OH. Thomas died 22 Nov 1860, Black Hawk Co IA.]

Birth: 6 Aug 1827 [Find a Grave]

Marriage: 1 Mary or Morgan STELTZ OR STELTZER, Richland County OH on 27 Apr 1843

2 Mary L.CAHILL MIDDLETON

Death: 23 July 1892, MI [Find a Grave]

Cemetery: Lakeview Cemetery, Cato Twp, Montcalm County, MI, Sect 3, Lot 58, Sp 1
Pension for widow of Jacob DEARTH, B 118th OH Inf. and I 120th OH Inf. Invalid filed 1882
Feb 17, Application 440067, Certificate 314186, filed in Michigan. Applied for 10 Aug 1892,
Application 556889, Certificate 360001, filed in Michigan by widow Mary L. DEARTH

According to the Civil War Soldiers and Sailors System he was sent to Andersonville when he was captured on 24 Aug 1864 and he did survive. He was exchanged on 1 April 1865. Below see that his name was spelled Jacob Dearthe in the record from Andersonville. [The 120th was in camp at Morganza, Louisiana where it remained until the 23d of August. On that day it started with its division on an expedition into Eastern Louisiana, and after dispersing a Rebel force near Clinton, Louisiana, returned to Morganza.]



Jacob DEARTH married Morgan/Mary STELTZ in Richland County OH on 27 Apr 1843.

Should be 26 yrs old.....1850 Census, Jefferson Twp, Richland Co OH, Dwelling 397, Family 397: Jacob DIRTH, age 30 PA, cooper; Mary, age 24 OH; Cornelius, age 6 OH; George, age 4 OH; Noah, age 2 OH; Catharine, age 1 OH.

What happened to the Richland County children, 1860?

Cornelius DEARTH, age 15, living with John and Susananah [sic] GATTEN, as a laborer, Richland Co OH. George DEARTH, age 14, living with Isaac and Mahala WEAVER, at Canaan Twp, Morrow Co OH.

Auglaize County Probate Court record: Jacob DEARTH married Mary L MIDDLETON on 14 Jun 1859 in Auglaize county OH. [This is Mary L. CAHILL who married first to Dennis MIDDLETON on 21 Feb 1855 in Union Co OH.

1860 Census, Goshen Twp, Auglaize Co OH, page 967: Jacob DIRTH, age 36 PA, carpenter; Mary, age 27 OH; Madorah, age 4 OH; Viola, age 2 OH; Matilda, age 7 months OH. [Note: Madorah and Viola must have been Mary's children from her previous marriage.]

1870 Census, Liberty Twp, Hardin Co OH, Dwelling 317, Family 317, page 431 A and B: Jacob DURTH, age 46 PA, farm laborer; Mary L age 35 OH; E. M. [female] age 15 OH; A.V.M., [female] age 12 OH; M.E. [female], age 10 OH; C.A., [male] age 7 OH. [Charles A. died 3 July 1921 at Kalamazoo, Kalamazoo Co MI.]

1880 Census Cato, Montcalm County, Michigan: Jacob DEARTH age 54 PA, a carpenter, parents born PA; Mary L, wife, age 43 OH, father Canada, mother Ire; Chas. A., age 17 OH..

1890 Veterans Schedule: Line 20, House 136, Family 136: Jacob DEARTH, Pvt, Co B 118th OH Inf. 7 July 1864-Dec 1863. Post Office, Lakeview MI. Some deaf - has been same for a number of years.

Wife's death record: Mary L. DEARTH died 27 Nov 1898 at Cato, Montcalm, MI. Age 62. Born 1836. Widowed. Father Joseph CAHILL. Mother Elizabeth PRESTON.

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