

Company I, 120th Ohio Volunteer Infantry

MILLIKEN, William B. 11 aug 1862

1st Lieutenant was age 24 when he entered service. He was promoted to 2d Lieut. from 1st Sergeant on 15 Mar 1863; to 1st Lieutenant to date 31 July 1863; captured 3 May 1864 near Snaggy Point, on the Red River, Louisiana; was transferred to Co. G, 114th OVI on 27 Nov 1864. Mustered out 31 July 1865, by order of War Dept.

Father: Daniel MILLIKIN

Mother: Minerva BOWERS

Birth: 2 Dec 1837, Allen Co OH

Marriage: Elizabeth WALKER, 13 Mar 1861

Death: 20 Feb 1912 at Madison Twp, Richland Co OH

Cemetery: [Mansfield Cemetery](#), Richland Co OH, age 74yrs, 2m, 18 dys, Section 8 lot 56.

Pension index: William B. MILLIKIN of Co I 120th OH Inf., Co G 114th OH Inf and Co I, 120th OH Inf. Invalid application 19 Dec 1888, Application 682154, Certificate 460174, filed in OH. Widow, Elizabeth MILLIKIN applied 11 Mar 1912, Application 982162, Certificate 739747, filed in OH. Pension Card: William died 20 Feb 1912.

1850 Census, Monroe Twp, Allen Co OH, Dwelling 2029, Family 2029: Daniel MILLIKIN, age 33 OH, farmer; Sarah, age 27 OH, born OH; William, age 12 OH; Harriet or Hannah, age 11 OH; Ann, age 9 OH; Jeremiah, age 5 OH; Malissa, age 1 OH.

Living with his grandparents. 1860 Census, Springfield Township, Richland County OH, Dwelling 1337, Family 1347: John H MILLIKEN age 75 born PA, a farmer; Hannah age 73 born PA; Wm age 22 born OH, a farm hand; Jeremiah age 14 born OH; Melissa age 11 born OH.

Married 1861, Elizabeth W.

1870 Census, Springfield Township, Richland county OH, Dwelling 89, Family 89: William MILLIGAN age 35 OH, a farmer; Elizabeth age 30 OH; Leoline age 6 [female] OH; Mary age 3 OH.

1880 Census, Springfield Township, Richland County OH, Dwelling 158, Family 168: Wm B MILIKIN, age 42 OH, a farmer, parents born OH; Elizabeth W. age 44 OH, father born OH, mother PA; Luemma, dau, age 13 OH; Mary, dau, age 11 OH; Laura, dau, age 9 OH; Stella, dau, age 7 OH.

There is a bio online, taken from [The History of Richland County, Ohio](#) page 896, of William MILLIKIN, of the 120th OVI. It states that he was living in Springfield township. William was born Dec. 2, 1837 in Allen county OH. His mother was a BOWERS. He had 3 sisters and one brother. He married Elizabeth WALKER 13 Mar 1861. At the time of the book's publishing in 1880 he had these children: Luemma, Mary, Laura and Stella. The full bio is at:

<http://www.heritagepursuit.com/Richland/RichlandSpringfield.htm>

1890 Veterans Schedule: Springfield, Richland Co OH: Line 4, House 13, Family 13: William B. MILLIKIN, 1st Lieut, Co I 120 OVI. Post office: Ontario. Disability: disease of heart.

History of Richland County, Ohio, from 1808 to 1908: Also Biographical Sketches of Prominent Citizens of the County, Vol 2, S. J. Clarke Publishing Company, 1908.

Page 1003-1004: William B. Millikin was living in Ontario in 1908. He was born in Allen Co OH, 2 Dec 1837.

Father, Daniel MILLIKIN. Mother Minerva BOWERS. Siblings: William B., Hannah, Anna, Jerry, and Malissa.

Step mothers were Sarah MUSSER and Rachel Van METER. Rachel and Daniel's father had two children Daniel Perry and Thomas B. William was a teacher and farm worker before the war. He enlisted at Mansfield.

Page 1004 "In the spring of 1864 Mr. Millikin, then a commissioned officer, was sent down the river in charge of a company of men to build a mile of dyke. This work he successfully accomplished and the experience which he there acquired in the line of construction has been of marked benefit to him in his later years. Aft completing the dyke Mr. Millikin took part in the Red River campaign. While a part of the command was down the river on the steamboat City Bell, about forty miles below Alexandria, they were attacked by General Taylor and the vessel was captured, the troops being made prisoners of war. Mr. Millikin was among this number. The prisoners were taken to Alexandria and hence marched overland, a distance of one hundred and ten miles, to Camp Ford near Tyler, Texas, where Mr. Millikin was incarcerated from May 23, 1864, until May 27, 1865, when the war was ended, and he was set free, being released on that date at the mouth of the Red river, and for the first time learned of the surrender of Lee, and the assassination of President Lincoln -- events which had occurred in the middle of April, but no news thereof had been allowed to reach the Union

soldiers. Mr. Millikin did not complain of his one year's incarceration, for he said that the conditions at Tyler were far superior to those at Andersonville, or Libby: that they had plenty of good [page 1005] water and a reasonable allowance of corn, which was ground just as nature left it --husk, cob and kernel--and then converted into food. While in prison Mr. Milliken was engaged most of the time making coffins. On one occasion he was in possession of a three bladed knife which he had in some manner concealed from the guards. This he sold for twelve dollars in gold, while engaged upon negotiations whereby he could secure a better knife for ten dollars. The soldiers used many devices wherewith to while away the time, but the hours doubtless at times seemed very long when, in forced inactivity, they awaited the result of the efforts of their brother soldiers on the battlefield."

Page 1005: After the war Millien was a merchandiser, farmer and then a traveling salesman for Mansfield Machind Company, McDowell & Company of Wooster and Freemont Harvester Company of Femont, OH.

Married Miss Elizabeth Walker in 1861. Four children: Emma [school teacher and medical doctor], Mary {Mrs. A R Caton}; Laura [school teacher]; and Stella [Mrs. Dr. Marquand].

1900 Census, Springfield Township, Richland County OH, Dwelling 61, Family 63: Elizabeth MILLIKIN age 64 born July 1835 OH, married 39 yrs, 4 children, 4 still living, father born OH, mother PA ; Laura, dau, age 29 born Jan 1871, single. No occupations given. [Since Elizabeth was listed as M, married, then where was William? or was this just a mistake? His death record says he was a traveling auditor, so maybe that is why he wasn't at home at the time of the census.]

1910 Census, B** Rd, Madison Township Pre B, Richland County OH, Dwelling 72, Family 73: William B MILLIKEN age 72 OH, first marriage, married 49 years, father PA, mother OH, own income, listed as UA for Union Army; Elizabeth W, wife, age 74 OH, first marriage, married 49 yrs, one child, one still living, father born OH, mother PA; Emma, dau, age 43, single, a physician, medical doctor.

Death Record in Ohio File #11340, William B. MILLIKIN died 20 Feb 1912 at Madison Twp, Richland Co OH.

Married. Traveling Auditor. Born 2 Dec 1835 in OH. Father Daniel MILLIKIN, born PA. Mother Minerva BOWERS, born OH. Burial Mansfield OH. Informant and doctor, Emma MILLIKIN, of Mansfield OH.

Listed in the Ohio online deaths: Elizabeth MILLIKIN died in Richland County 1 Jan 1916.

Emma M MILLIKIN died in Richland County 2 July 1924,