

Company I, 120th Ohio Volunteer Infantry

MORROW, Matthew A. 22 Aug 1862 Matthew Adam MORROW

Corporal Matthew A. Morrow was age 24 when he entered service. He was captured 3 May 1864 near Snaggy Point on the Red River, Louisiana; mustered out 7 July 1865 at Camp Chase, Ohio.

Matthew, who died in Richland County visiting his brother, was buried in Mansfield Cemetery, Richland Co OH, Age 49. Section OS-10, Lot 517. Photo Credit: Debe Clark at [Find a Grave](#)



Since this stone has a GAR flag holder at its base, it seems that Matthew, this soldier, was buried at the same location as his mother. Matthew's father was in the War of 1812.



These stones are in Fairmount Cemetery, Denver, Denver County, Colorado, Block 53. They are for Jennie, wife of this soldier and for their son, Harry.

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Father: Matthew MORROW

Mother: Margaret REED

Birth: <1836> OH

Marriage: Jennie/Jane PADEN, 17 Nov 1868, Newark, Licking Co or Fairfield Co OH

Death: 16 Apr 1885, Ohio, with his brother Alexander in Richland Co OH

Cemetery: Mansfield Cemetery, Richland Co OH, Age 49. Sectio OS-10, Lot 517.

Relationship: Brother of Alexander and William MORROW of the 120th.

Matthew's widow and son are buried in Fairmount Cemetery, Denver, Denver County, Colorado, Block 53.

Pension Index: Matthew A MORROW, I 120th OH Inf. Invalid filed 1877 Sept 18. Widow Jennie MORROW filed 19 Nov 1885? in Colorado. Pension Card: Matthew died 16 Apr 1885.

A Centennial Biographical History of Richland County Ohio by A J Baughman, 1901, pages 127-129, about soldier Mattew MORROW:

Matthew's father was Matthew MORROW and his mother was Margaret REED. He and siblings William R and Alexander were all in the 120th. "Matthew had a son, Horace, who resides in Denver, Colorado." [Son-Harry]

Matthew's father, Matthew <had already died before the 1850 census>

Mother and Matthew's siblings: 1850 Census, Madison, Richland Co OH, Dwelling 764, Family 767: William MORROW, age 24 PA, farmer; Margaret, age 54 PA; Elizabeth, age 26 PA; Alex., age 22 OH, farmer; Margaret J., age 20 OH; Adam, age 14 OH.

1860 Census, have not found.

1870 Census Grand Junction, Greene County IA, Dwelling 6, Family 6: Mathew A MORROW age 35 OH, a carpenter; Janie age 24 OH.

A Centennial Biographical History of Richland County Ohio by A J Baughman:

page 128: The Morrow parents: "Matthew MORROW [soldier's father] was a native of York county, Pennsylvania, from which place he came to Mansfield, Ohio, in 1822....died at his rural home in 1846, at the age of sixty years. ,, He served in the war of 1812, as a member of a Pennsylvania company, under General Harrison, and was at the Fort Meigs and Tippecanoe engagements. His grave is marked as a veteran of that war. His wife, [the soldier's mother], was before her marriage Miss Margaret Reed, and she, too, was a native of Yourk county, Pennsylvania. Her death occurrd in 1873, when she was seventy-eight years of age."

Matthew's mother, Margaret <1796 - 1873>if she died at age 77[stone info]

1880 Census Precinct 4, Loveland, Larimer County, CO, Dwelling 45, Family 46: M A MORROW, age 44 OH, carpenter, parents born PA; Jane, wife, age 33 OH, parents born PA; Harry, son, age 6, IL, parents born OH.

Ohio, Deaths and Burials: Matthew A. MORROW died 16 Apr 1885, Springfield, Richland Co OH. Age 50. Born 1835, Madison Twp. Occupation: carpenter. Married.

Did not find widow on 1890 Veterans Schedule.

1900 Census, have not found.

1910 Census, Duff 10th precinct, Arapahoe County, CO, Dwelling 129, Family 129: Jennie MORROW age 63 OH, a widow, 3 children, 1 still living, a farmer general farming, parents born PA; Harry, son, age 36 IL, single, a farmer, parents born OH.

1920 Census, 51 Madison St, Denver City, Denver County, Colorado, Dwelling 38, Family 39: Jennie MORROW, age 73 OH, widow, parents born PA; Harry, son, age 46 IL, widowed, parents born OH, no occupation.

----- Pension records from National Archives provided by Debbie Ferdetta:

[2884] Dated 21 Nov 1885 Jennie Morrow was living at Fort Collins Larimer Co CO

[2888]Contracted diarrhoea at New Orleans 25 Sep 1863.

[2891-2] Soldier examined in 1883 had a cancer on his face. Died 16 Apr 1885. In addition, chronic diarrhoea and diabetes.

[2893] "Since the claim was rejected by your office there has been presented the affidavit of Alexander Morrow of Richland County, Ohio, who states that about the last of August, 1884, he visited his brother, Matthew A. Morrow, in Colorado, and found him suffering from cancer of the face, diabetes and chronic diarrhoea, attended with constipation of the bowels. Affiant staid [sic] with him six or seven weeks and then brought him back to Ohio where he died on the 16th of April, 1885. Affiant waited on him most of the time after his return to Ohio..."

[2927] Affidavit of James Harvey CHAMBERS, age 70, of Mansfield OH: brother-in-law of soldier.

[2932 to 2935] Letter by Jennie MORROW, widow:

Denver Colorado, 1019 South 9th St, May 21st / 91

The Hon Benjamin Harrison

President of the Untied States.

Dear Sir

On the 12th day of this month I stood in the crowded street to see the vast concorse [sic] of the people pay their respects to the representative Ruler of this worlds greatest Government. I am the widow of Mathew A. Morrow. He was pensioned for disease contracted in the service of this government in the line of his duty of which disease he died. He died more than six years ago. I spent thousands of dollars of my estate nursing him, the governments viligent [sic] soldier, untill[sic] his wonderful manhood, worn to voice went out in death. Over six years ago I made my application to be placed upon the rolls as his widow, from that day to this in sickness in, trials, in losses and disapointment [sic]. I have furnished proofs looked for and wanted to get the pension that was the promise of the Government to the fighting lines of loyal men in blue, on those fearful fields of death, and in prison pens. My husband was thirteen months in prison at Tyler Texes [sic].

General you have not forgotten [sic] the private soldiers who made your command and other commands in all those grand armies. Mr. President as I seen you I did not believe you would forget his widow growing old, unable to do the labor of former years. Deceased. Absolute want [what] nerves me to address you Mr. President. Once too General of the marching and fighting men. Commander in chief of those people that you have seen from one ocean to the other. Who at your command would protect the lands over which over which you have passed from wrong and outrage. No word (but from the assured justness of your great heart would induce me) to write you. For I am only one of the millions that seen you to honor you in the long and tiresome journey.

Comes nearer to call you General I am your humble petitioner. I pray you for justice the fulfillment [sic], of the Governments promise to the widow. As well of the private soldier.

Very Respectfully

Subscribed Mrs. Jennie Morrow
Application for Pension No 332.732
address. No 1019 South 9th st
Denver Colo.

spelling left as it was

[2952] Declaration dated 10 Nov, 1885 by Jennie MORROW, age 38, resident of Loveland, Larimer Co, Colorado: Matthew A. MORROW married Jennie PADEN, 17 Nov 1868 by Rev. Wm Tenney, at Newark, Licking Co OH. Children named by Jennie: Lillie MORROW, born 20 Dec 1870, dead; Mamie MORROW, born 14 Feb 1872, dead; Harry MORROW, born 21 Nov 1874. [Ohio, County Marriages: Mathew A. MORROW married Jane PADEN, 17 Nov 1868, Fairfield Co OH, by Danl. Tenney, Pastor of 2nd Presb. Ch. Note: Licking and Fairfield Counties share a border. But the official record is in Fairfield.]

[2954] State of Illinois, County of Christian

My age is 43 years, and name, Ellen Crager:

In the matter of Pension Claim of Jennie Morrow, widow of Mathew A. Morrow, co. I, 120th Reg. Ohio Vol. I hereby certify that I was at the residence of Mathew A. Morrow in the city of Pana at the time of Harry Morrow's birth, being their nearest neighbor. He was born on the 21st of November, 1873.

I was also present at the funeral of Lillie Morrow, who died Sept. 20th, 1874 and at the funeral of Mamie Morrow who died Sept. 1st 1872.

O further declare that I have no interest in said case, and am not concerned in its prosecution.

[2969] Soldier had a sister named Mrs. Chambers. Letter of Dr. R. F. Wark, of Ontario, Richland Co OH.

[2978] Marriage transcript from Fairfield County OH

[2980] Neither Jennie nor Matthew had been previously married.

[2986] Dated declaration, 5 Sep 1877 at Pana, Christian Co Ill. Soldier discharged at Camp Chase OH on 7 July 1865. Personal description: height 6 ft.; light complexion; black hair; blue eyes. Contracted chronic diarrhoea caused by exposure, on 25 Sep 1863 at New Orleans, Louisiana. He was treated at Marine Hosp, New Orleans, Sept 1863 for about 4 months. Since the war he had lived in Ohio, Iowa, and Illinois and was a carpenter.

[2988] Matthew Morrow's full record from Adjutant: On the Muster Rolls of Co "I", of that Regiment from muster in to Aug 31, 1863, he is reported present Sept and Oct 1863. Absent, Left sick at Marine Hospital New Orleans, September 5, 1863, and so borne to Dec. 31, 1863. Jan and Feb 1864 Home sick furlough since Dec 21, 1863. March and April 1864 present, returned to duty April 1 1864 from sick leave. May and June 1864 taken prisoner May 3rd 1864. Company was on board Steamer City Belle, Red River expedition and captured May 3, 64. Reported prisoner on subsequent rolls to Oct 31, 1864. latest muster and pay roll on file. Mustered out with detachment July 7, 1865 at Camp Chase O. Pris. of war.

Prisoner of War. Records show him captured at Snaggy Point, La. May 3, 64, paroled at Red River Lag. (or Ldg.) La. May 27, 65 reported at Camp Chase Ohio June 20, '65 where he was mustered out as above. No evidence of disease as alleged.

[2989] Dated 24 Dec 1885: Richland County, State of Ohio SS

James Niman of the county and State aforesaid being duly sworn says he was acquainted with Matthew A Morrow of Co I 120th Reg OVI. Knew of his being sick in the State of Colorado and of his brother bringing him to Mansfield Ohio and of his dying at the home of his sister near Mansfield O and farther that he died on the morning of the Sixteenth day of April Eighteen Hundred and Eighty five and was buried the day following being Apr 17th in the Mansfield Cemetery that I with other help put him in the coffin and from the conveyed his remains to the Cemetery aforesaid and then assisted in burying him.

I am an undertaker of the town aforesaid and have been acquainted with the said Morrow for at least twenty five years and know him to be the identical Matthew A Morrow of Co I 120th OVI

James Niman

[2990] Jennie died 17 Jan 1928. She had been receiving a pension. Her residence had been 51 Madison St, Denver, CO.