

Company I, 120th Ohio Volunteer Infantry



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YOCHIN, Peter 18 Oct 1862 alternate spellings Yochim, Yochum, Yocum
Private Yochin was age 18 when he entered service. Transferred to Co. K, 114th
OVI on 27 Nov 1864. transferred to Co F, 48th OVI, 24 July 1865.[Yokum]
Mustered out 14 Oct 1865.

Discharged at Houston, TX, 15 Oct 1865.

Father: Andrew YOCUM

Mother: Barbara FELTER

Birth: 14 Feb 1844, Lingenfeld, Germany

Marriage: 1Sophia SIMON, 1872 at Vicksburg, Mississippi

2Sarah E. MECHEM. married at Baldknob Ark, March 1889

Death: 28 Mar 1918 at State Soldiers' Home, Perkins Twp, Erie Co OH

Cemetery: Ohio Soldier's and Sailors' Home Cemetery, Sandusky, Erie Co OH,
Section F.

Pension index: Peter J. YOCHIM of Co K 114th OH Inf. pension 1907 pension increase in OH. Pension Card:
Co I 120th OH Inf, Co F 48th OH Inf, Co K 114th OH Inf. Invalid applied 22 Nov 1889, Application 740223,
Certificate 924277, filed in AR. Peter died 28 Mar 1918 at Soldiers and Sailors Home of Ohio.

Came with parents to America when 4 years of age. <1847>

Sister Margaret's Ohio Death Record: Margaret FABIAN died 11 Dec 1926 at Bucyrus, Crawford Co OH. Her
address was 517 S. Sandusky St. Age 74yrs, 8m, 11dys. Born 30 Mar 1852, Morrow Co OH. burial Mt.
calvary, Galion OH. Father Andrew YOCHIM, born Germany. Mother Barbara FELTER, born Germany.
Spouse Phillip Fabian.

1850 Census, Troy, Morrow Co OH, Dwelling 914, Family 924: Andrew YOCUM, age 38 Germany, farmer;
Barbara, age 38 Germany; Catharin, age 10 Germany; Peter, age 7 Germany; Barbara, age 3 OH; Jacob, age
6 months OH.

1860 Census, North Bloomfield, Morrow Co OH, Dwelling 537, Family 529: Andrew YOCHIM, age 46
Lingenfield, farmer; Barbra, age 46 Lingenfield; Cathrine, age 19 Lingenfield; Peter, age 16 Lingenfield;
Margaret, age 3 OH. [Andrew, Barbara and Margaret are still in Morrow Co in 1870 but Peter is not with
them.]

1865 to 1867 near Galveston TX. 1867 to 1880 Texas and Louisiana. Texas until 1872;

More places that he went to: Lake Providence [East Carroll Parish], LA after Vicksburg; he was in St. Louis in
1874; in Cincinnati, OH from 1876 to 1878; to Greenville Miss. to Memphis TN; 1886 to Kingsland [Cleveland
Co] Ark and then to Arkadelphia Ark; then in 1888 to Bald Knob, Ark.

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Probably not ??1870 Census, Perry Twp, Vanderburgh, IN, Dwelling 296, Family 296: Peter YOCHUM, age 25
France, laborer is living with the William Sohnak family.

Married Sophia SIMON 1872 at Vicksburg, Mississippi

Children: John YOCHIM born June 1874; Sophia YOCHIM born 24 Dec 1877 on Christmas Eve.

Wife Sophia must have died and the children were put in an orphanage.

1880 Census, Clinton Twp, Seneca Co OH, St Francis Orphan Asylum Hospital, Series T9 Roll 1065, Page 171,
lines 34 and 35: John YOKUM, age 5 US, orphan, parents born US; Sophia YOCUM, age 3 US, orphan,
parents born US.

[I did find on another site that the Grandparents were Andrew and Barbara Yochem, as I had thought; and
that money was left the two grandchildren when they reached their majority. The poster at that site said
that the siblings of the soldier were Cathrine, Barbara, Jacob and Margaret. I have emailed the person who
made the [post](#).]

The two children were admitted to the orphanage in 1879. See this [page](#).

1880 to 1890 Jonesboro [Craighead County] Arkansas. 1890 to 1896 Murphreysboro,[Jackson county] IL.

Married second wife in 1888. Mrs. Sarah ARD. Separated about Sept 1901.

The veteran, Peter J. YOCHIM, moved around:

22 Nov 1889: P. O. Bald Knob, White Co, Arkansas.

8 Feb 1890: P.O. Blackrock, Lawrence Co Arkansas.

11 Dec 1894: Peter J. YOCHIM, Blackrock, Lawrence Co, AR

22 Apr 1897: P.O. Blackrock, Lawrence Co Arkansas.

Separated from second wife about Sep 1901.

1 Aug 1903: P.O. Cardwell, Dunklin Co MO.

20 Oct 1904: P.O. Cardwell, Dunklin Co MO.

24 Feb 1906: P.O. Cardwell, Dunklin, MO

National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers, Danville, IL: Peter J. Yochim of 120th OVI, Admitted 10 Sept 1911, discharged at own request 27 June 1912. Age 67, 5'5" height, light complexion, Blue eyes, gray hair, can read and write, Catholic, carpenter, residence subsequent to discharge from service was Mansfield, OH. Widowed. Nearest relative, son, John Yochim of Mansfield OH. Disability when admitted to Home, mitral insufficiency.

National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers, Dayton, OH: 27 Aug 1913 to 30 Jan 1914; 15 Sep 1914 to 4 Feb 1915; 6 Aug 1917 to 18 Sep 1917.....all at his own request. No nearest relative listed.

18 July 1914: Peter J. YOCHIM, P. O. Galion, Crawford Co OH

Sons of Union Veterans: Peter J. Yochim of Company I, buried in Ohio Soldier's and Sailors' Home Cem, Columbus Ave, Sandusky, Perkins Twp, Erie County OH....Section F. Born 14 Feb 1844. Died 28 Mar 1918.

Death Record in Ohio: File #15977, Peter J YOCHIN died 28 Mar 1918 at State Soldiers' Home, Perkins Twp, Erie Co OH. Born 14 Feb 1844 in Germany. Widowed. Carpenter. Burial at Ohio State Old Soldiers' Home.

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Pension information from National Archives sent by Debbie Ferdetta:

[1930] Dated 30 Jan 1914. Discharged from National Military Home, Ohio.

[1931] Dated 27 June 1912. Danville [Illinois] Branch, National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers. Discharged from the Home.

[1932] Was also in Co F, 48th OH Inf. Mustered out 14 Oct 1865.

[1933] Physical problems.

[1936] Application filed 11 Dec 1894: Peter J. YOCHIM, Blackrock, Lawrence Co, Arkansas

[1940] Application filed 20 Oct 1904: P.O. Cardwell, Dunklin Co MO.

[1941] Application filed 1 Aug 1903: P.O. Cardwell, Dunklin Co MO.

[1942] Application filed 22 Apr 1897: P.O. Blackrock, Lawrence Co Arkansas.

[1943] Application filed 8 Feb 1890: P.O. Blackrock, Lawrence Co Arkansas.

[1946] Application filed 24 Feb 1906: P.O. Cardwell, Dunklin, MO

[1948] Application filed 22 Nov 1889: P. O. Bald Knob, White Co, Arkansas.

[1949] Yochim was born 14 Feb 1844.

[1951] Yochim died 28 March 1918

[1952] Ohio Soldiers' and Sailors' Home, Erie Co OH: Yochim died 28 Mar 1918.

[1957] Admitted to Ohio National Home 15 Sept 1914.

[1955] Discharged from Ohio National Home, 18 Sep 1917.

[1958] Discharged from Ohio National Home, 4 Feb 1915.

[1959] Paper dated 25 Mar 1915: Peter J. YOCHIM, born 14 Feb 1844 at Lingenfeld, Germany. Post office at enlistment was Mansfield OH. Wife's maiden name Sophia SIMON. Married 1872 at Vicksburg, Mississippi in Catholic Church at Vicksburg by Father Bowman. There was no previous marriage for them. This wife died 21 Sep 1878. Second wife had 3 former husbands: Riley, Smith and Ards. Yochim did not know their initials or any dates of divorces or deaths or marriages. Married this second wife in 1888. Second wife was also dead and Yochim had no children by her. Children: John YOCHIM born June 1874; Sophia YOCHIM born 24 Dec 1877 on Christmas Eve. These two are all the children Yochim ever had. He said, "I suppose they are in Cleveland, Ohio."

[1960] Dated 10 June 1915, Letter by Yochim to pension bureau: Gentlemen, as I do not understand the blank form will try to explain more fully in the following letter. I was born at Lingenfeld Germany Feb 14, 1844. Came with my parents to America when 4 years of age. Lived near Mansfield O. from which place I enlisted in the service on Oct 18 - 1862. Was mustered out with Oct 14 - 1865. Was Married to my first wife whose maiden name was Sophia Simon at Vicksburg Miss. in 1872 at Catholic church by Father Bowman, I think was his name. Don't remember the date. She had 2 children John B. June 1874, Sophia B. Dec 24 - 1877. She died Sept 21 - 1878. I remained single about ten years then met and married a Mrs. Sarah ARD who had 3 previous marriages but know nothing concerning them. We separated about Sept 1901. She went to live with a son by one of her former husbands near Judsonia, Ark. and died there about 1907. I trust this explanation will be sufficient as my second wife had in her possession my papers of importance giving dates of deaths, births, marriages, etc. Very respectfully, Peter J. Yochim.

[1961] Document dated 18 July 1914: Peter J. YOCHIM, P. O. Galion, Crawford Co OH

[1966] Occupation carpenter. Born on the Rhine in Germany. Residences after discharge: mostly at Jonesboro [Craighead County] and Black Rock, Arkansas and Cardwell MO.

[1968] Dated 3 June 1912: Residences since discharge: 1865 to 1867 near Galveston TX. 1867 to 1880 Texas and Louisiana. 1880 to 1890 Jonesboro Arkansas. 1890 to 1896 Murphreysboro, IL. Discharged at Houston, TX, 15 Oct 1865.

[1971] Dated 28 Mar 1907: Residences since discharge: Texas until 1872; Mississippi until 1873; Missouri until 1875; Ohio until 1877; Tenn. until 1883?; Arkansas until 1894; Illinois until 1899; Missouri after that.

[2003] Soldier was in hospital at St. Louis in spring 1863.

[2026] Dated 1 Feb 1890, residence Bald Knob, White Co Arkansas. Exposure in winter and spring 1863 on land and on boats. Was at New House of Refuge, St. Louis, MO, spring of 1863. After discharge: was at Houston and Galveston in 1865-1866; then to Mount Carmel?, Texas; then Vicksburg; then traveling all the time to different states. St. Louis [MO] and Arkadelphia [Clark Co Arkansas] and Bald Knob [White Co Ark].

[2028] Immediately previous to enlistment Yochim's p.o. address was Blooming Grove, Morrow Co OH and Mansfield, Richland Co OH. He was a carpenter. More places that he went to: Lake Providence [East Carroll Parish], LA after Vicksburg; he was in St. Louis in 1874; in Cincinnati, OH from 1876 to 1878; to Greenville Miss. to Memphis TN; 1886 to Kingsland [Cleveland Co] Ark and then to Arkadelphia Ark; then in 1888 to Bald Knob, Ark.

[2031] Yochim signed an affidavit dated 23 Jan 1893 when he was about age 49, resident of Jonesboro, Craighead Arkansas.

**[2033] Dated 24 Jan 1899, Yochim gave information about his marriage when he address was Blackrock Ark.: wife's maiden name was Sarah E. MECHEM. married at Baldknob Ark, March 1889 by Rev. L. B. Lumkin. Previously married to Sophia Simon who died Greenville, [Washington Co], Miss., 28 Sep 1878.

Their son John, born 18 June 1875. Their daughter Sophia, born 24 Dec 1877.

[2035] Military medical info: Feb 31 [what????], 1863 sick in Sisters of Charity Hospital, St. Louis, since Jan 15; April 10 1863 special muster absent sick; to June 30, 1863 absent sick at General Hospital, New House of Refuge, St. Louis, since Jan 15, 1863.

[20??] In 1864 was overcome by heat and had partial sunstroke. [This had also been reported in other documents.]

[2046] Testimony of James M. WALLACE of Gratiot MI, dated 13 March 1899: Peter J. Yochim while doing picket duty at Big Black river near Vicksburg, Miss, on or about 22 or 23 May 1863 contracted catarrh caused by exposure in bad weather taking cold and getting very much worse as the time passed on. After the Red river expedition I helped to put him on the hospital boat to take him to hospital. I think this was at Morganzia Bend, Mississippi. And at another time he was troubled with his head which would make him out of his head at times. When we were at ?Mobeal [Mobile] Bay, he would get in the water and we had to watch him that nothing might happen.

[2049] Testimony of Christian HOHMANN, dated 20 Mar 1899, St. Louis Mo: I was well acquainted with the claimant Peter J. Yochim about 25 years ago and worked as partners at our trade that of a blacksmith and wagon maker at Orrville [correct spelling: There is now an Orrville historic district in St. Louis Co MO], in County of S. Louis and State of Missouri. Claimant [Yochim] was at that time greatly troubled and suffering from, which seemed to me chronic diarrheah at the same time being afflicted with weak and sore eyes. And by reason of said disabilities he was not able at certain times to do any work and in which condition he was in during the whole of my acquaintance with him which was in 1874. And which disabilities were not due to any vicious habits on the part of said claimant for he was a man of good habits.

[2051] Same man Christian Hohmann, but this time he was from Gumbo, MO.

[2074] Very bad eyes, dated 15 Sep 1900

[2076] Bad eyes were result of sunstroke in 1864.