

Company K, 120th Ohio Volunteer Infantry

DOUGLASS, James 29 Sept 1862 DOUGLAS

Musician Douglass was age 18 when he entered service. He was transferred to Co. H, 5th Regiment, Veteran Reserve Corps [date not given]; mustered out 11 Aug 1865 at Indianapolis, Indiana.

Father: David DOUGLASS [Buried at Mt Hope Cem, Shiloh, Richland Co OH.]

Mother: ?Ann KIRKLAND

Birth: 1844 Richland Co OH

Marriage: Susan STROUP on 13 Oct 1867 at Montgomery Co OH

Death: ?May 1904, Chicago, Cook Co IL [3 May 1904...Find a Grave.

Cemetery: [Marion Cemetery, Marion, Marion County OH](#)

[Ohio Veterans Graves Registration site] James J. Douglas is listed as buried in Marion County, OH.

Pension Card: James J. DOUGLAS, Co K 120th OH Inf. Co K 114th OH Inf. Co H 5th Veterans Reserve Corps. Invalid filed 6 Feb 1886, Application 561358, Certificate 832013.

Not in Headstone Applications

[American Locomotive Engineers: Erie Railway Edition, 1899, Crawford-Adsit Co Pub., page 250]

"James J. Douglas was 19 years of age when he enlisted in Company K, 120th O. V. I. His regiment was formed in 1862, and was immediately sent south and Mr. Douglas participated in some of the hardest fights of the war, particularly the campaign against Vicksburg, battle of Fort Hindman, and Arkansas Post. [note: those are both the same battle] Mr. Douglas was born February 12, 1844, in Richland County, Ohio, where his father, David Douglas, a prominent farmer and contractor, lived for many years. The young man left school at the age of 13 years and worked for a while on his father's farm, leaving that to assist his father on bridges he had contracted to build on the Sandusky & Mansfield and Cleveland [page 242] & Columbus Railroads. He was at this work in 1862, when he enlisted, and after he had been mustered out of the army in 1865, he recuperated for awhile on his brother's farm, then in February, 1866, accepted a position as fireman on the Atlantic & Great Western Railroad. After two years continuous and able service he was promoted to engineer and ran an engine between Dayton and Kent, Ohio, until 1870, when he resigned and accepted a similar place on the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad, and for two years ran between Sandusky City and Newark, Ohio. In 1872 he returned to service on the A. & G. W., and in 1882 was assigned to construction work at Marion, on the Chicago & Atlantic, but after a short time was given an engine in the passenger service. From time to time he was advanced in the importance of his runs until he was given a run on passenger trains No. 1 and 2 between Marion and Huntington, which he has held for the past sixteen years. He is one of the best passenger engineers in the employ of the Erie, and on different occasions has received congratulatory messages from his superiors regarding fast runs and other displays of his ability. In September, 1867, he was married to Miss Susie Stroup, daughter of John Stroup, a millwright of Springfield, Ohio, and five children have been born to them. Gertrude, 30 years of age, is married to Dr. Weeks of Marion; John died at the age of 6 months; Florence, aged 21, has for several years been the cahier of a popular dry goods store of Marion; William F, aged 19, is a clerk in Farmers' and Mechanics' Bank of Marion; George died at the age of 19 months. Mr. Douglas is a property owner of Marion, and a member of B. of L. E., Division 16. He is also accident and life insurance agent of the Pacific Mutual Company of California. His career as a railroad man commands the respect of his fellow employes [sic], and he enjoys the esteem of a host of acquaintances in the city of Marion."

1850 Census, Cass Twp, Richland County, OH, page 198: [David DOUGLAS](#), age 48 unknown birthplace, farmer; Ann, age 46 unknown; George, 14 unk; Ebenezer, age 11 unk; Eleanor, age 9 unk; William, age 8 unk; James, age 7 unknown birthplace; Edmund, age 5 unk; Mary J, age 2 unk; Ann A, age 7 months unk; Elizabeth LASURE, age 23 PA.

1860 Census, Cass Twp, Richland County, OH, page 387: David Douglass, age 50 OH, farmer; Ann, age 45 PA, Domestic; Ebenezer, age 22 OH, farmhand; Ellen, age 20 OH, seamstress; William H, age 18 OH, farmhand; James, age 16 OH, farmhand; David E, age 14 OH; Mary J, age 12 OH; Mayann??. female, age 8 OH; Nancy, age 5 OH.

Marriage record: James DOUGLAS married Susan STROUP on 13 Oct 1867 at Montgomery Co OH. James, age 21, born 1846. Susan, age 18, born 1849.

1870 census: Ward 1 Dayton, Montgomery county OH: James DOUGLASS age 25, locomotive engineer; Susan age 22; Gertrude age 1. All born in OH.

1880 census: Galion, Crawford county, OH: James DOUGLAS age 36 born OH, railroad engineer; Susie, wife, age 32 born OH; children Girtrud F. age 11 OH, Florance age 5 OH, William F age 7 months OH.

1890 Veterans Schedule: Marion, Marion Co OH: Line 49, House 522, Family 341: James J. DOUGLAS, Pvt, Co K 120 OH Inf. Post Office: Marion OH, Marion Co.

1900 census: 3rd Ward, Marion County, OH: James DOUGLASS age 56, born Feb 1844 in OH, parents born OH, a railroad engineer; wife Susan, age 51 born Mar 1847 in Ohio married 32 years, 5 children, 3 still living; single children living with them were Florence age 24 May 1876 and William, a clerk, age 20 born Nov 1879, both born in OH.

Wife's death record: Sue DOUGLASS died 7 Nov 1900 at Marion, Marion Co OH. Age 52. Born 1848 at Springfield. Married.

Ohio County Death Records, 1840-2001: James F. DOUGLASS died May 1904 at Chicago, Cook Co IL. Age 60 yrs, 2 m, 24 dys. Born 1844 in Richland. Engineer. Widowed. Cancer. Marion residence.

Brother, death record: File # 68358, William H DOUGLASS, died 19 Dec 1912 at Shiloh, Richland Co OH. Born 12 Apr 1842 in OH, Married, Retired. Father David DOUGLASS. Mother Anna KIRTLAND, born OH. Buried Mt Hope. Informant Anna DOUGLASS of Shiloh, OH.

A different James Douglass: Dayton National Cemetery, Montgomery Co OH: Douglass, James, d. 10/01/1923, Infantry, PVT, Res: Dayton, OH, Plot: 2 23 1, bur. 10/01/1923 Ohio, Deaths, 1908-1953: James DOUGLAS, single, age 84, born <1839> glass blower. Died at National Military Home, OH. Died 1 Oct 1923.

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