

Field and Staff, 120th Regiment, Ohio Volunteer Infantry, 9th Division, 13th Army Corps

Colonel Daniel **FRENCH** entered the service on 10 Sept 1862 at age 40. He resigned 18 Feb.1863.

Father: James FRENCH

Mother: Susanna CASTER

Birth: 22 Feb 1823, Holmes Co OH

Marriage: Jane ALBERSON, 6 Mar 1849, Holmes Co OH

Death: 24 Feb 1874, Millersburg, Holmes Co OH

Cemetery: Oak Hill Cemetery, Millersburg, Holmes Co OH

There is a page for him at [Find a Grave](#) with a photo of his memorial stone.

Roster and Record of Iowa Soldiers: Captain Guthrie's Company K, Fifteenth U.S. Infantry [**Mexican War**]
"Daniel French. Lieutenant. Born in Ohio. Appointed from Ohio, Second Lieutenant. Fifteenth Infantry, April 9, 1847. First Lieutenant Aug. 20, 1847. Brevet Captain Sept. 13, 1847, for gallant and meritorious conduct at Chapultepec. Mustered out with Company Aug. 4, 1848, at Covington, Ky. Second Lieutenant, Sixty-fifth Ohio Infantry, Oct. --, 1861. Captain, Nov. --, 1861. Lieutenant Colonel, Nov. 30, 1861. Colonel, One Hundred Twentieth Ohio, Oct. 17, 1862. [Heitman's Historical Register, U.S.A.] The records are obscure as to just when this officer was assigned to Company K, but, from the roster in Iowa Historical Record, Vol. 1, it would appear to be when he was promoted First Lieutenant, Aug. 20, 1847."

Family tree at Ancestry: born 22 Feb 1823, Holmes Co OH; died 24 Feb 1874, Millersburg, Holmes Co OH.

Civil War record at Ancestry: commissioned officer on Staff of 65th OH Inf, 4 Oct 1861 to 8 Aug 1862.

Promoted to Full Colonel on 10 Sep 1862. Parents: James FRENCH and Susanna CASTER.

Ohio Marriage records: Daniel FRENCH married Jane ALBERSON, 6 Mar 1849, Holmes Co OH.

1850 Census, Hardy Twp, Holmes Co OH, Dwelling 57, Family 61: Daniel FRENCH, age 26 OH, blacksmith; Jane, age 24 OH; William STRATTIN?, age 22 NY, blacksmith.

Census 1860 Hardy Twp, Holmes County OH, Dwelling 215; Family 226: Daniel FRENCH, age 37 OH, blacksmith; Jane, age 33 OH, Thos. age 9 OH; Loretta, age 7 OH; Frances E, age 4 OH.

Census 1870 Hardy Twp, Holmes County OH: Daniel FRENCH, age 47 OH, farmer; Jane, age 43 OH; Thomas, age 19 OH, farmer; Lauretta, age 17 OH.

From Stephanie Vaughn, whose gt gt grandmother was the sister of Daniel French: Daniel FRENCH died in Millersburg in 1874. He was living on Depot street at the time of his death. [This is now South Mad Anthony Street.]

Holmes County Republican, 26 Feb 1874, page 3:

"Death of Col. Daniel French---Col. Daniel French of Millersburg, died at his residence on Tuesday at 4½ o'clock, P. M. Interment at 2 o'clock on Wednesday. He was fifty-one years of age, a good and enterprising citizen."

Plain Dealer [Cleveland OH], 26 Feb 1874, p.2:

"From the Millersburgh [sic] 'Farmer' we learn of the death of Col. Daniel French, of Holmes county. He served as a lieutenant in the Mexican War. On the breaking out of the rebellion he raised a company for the 65th Ohio. He participated in the battles of Pittsburg Landing, Stone River, the siege of Vicksburg, and several others. For bravery and meritorious conduct in these contests he was promoted to lieutenant colonel of the regiment. He then resigned and was appointed colonel of the 102d regiment O.V. I., in which position he served during the war. He was always popular with his men. Since the war, deceased has spent several years farming, and for the last two years he has been in the lumber business and until a few days ago, when he sold out. His funeral occurred on Wednesday, February 25th." [Note: I believe the 102d is a mistake and should be 120th.]

1880 Census, Millersburg, Holmes County OH: Jane FRENCH, age 53, OH, parents born PA; Byron C SILL, age 28 OH, son-in-law, book keeper in law; Laura, age 27 OH, daughter; Frances E. age 4 OH, granddaughter; Ralph H, age 2 months, grandson.

Pension Card: Daniel FRENCH, Col. 120th OH Inf, Lt. Col. 65th OH Inf and Mex War. Widow applied 9 May 1874, Application 215313, no Certificate. "Old War Widow File" No 27644.

Pension Index: Widow Jane FRENCH.

1890 Veterans Schedule: Millersburg, Holmes Co OH, line 35, House 416, Family 416. Jane, widow of Daniel FRENCH. Post office address: Millersburg, Holmes Co OH.