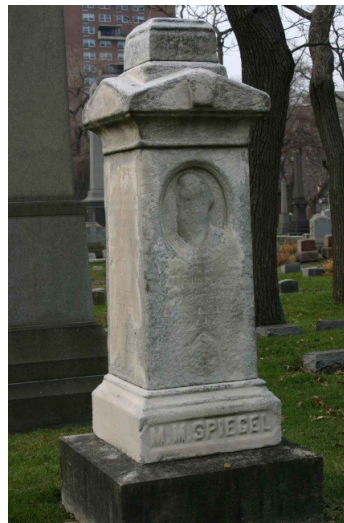


Field and Staff, 120th Regiment, Ohio Volunteer Infantry, 9th Division, 13th Army Corps



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Colonel Marcus M SPIEGEL\* entered the service 13 Nov 1862 at age 32. He was promoted to Lieut. Colonel from Captain Co. C, 67th OVI on 2 Oct 1862; to Colonel 18 Feb 1863; killed 3 May 1864 near Snaggy Point, on Red River, Louisiana. No burial place given in the Roll of Honor.

Evening Star [Washington DC], 30 July 1905, page 6, Sunday Magazine:

"Among other Jews who distinguished themselves in the war for the Union may be named Colonel Marcus M. Spiegel of the One Hundred and Twentieth Ohio Infantry, who died before he could receive the promotion to the brigadier-generalship for which his superior officers recommended him....."



Recommended reading: [A Jewish Colonel in the Civil War : Marcus M. Spiegel of the Ohio Volunteers](#); edited by Jean Powers Soman and Frank L. Byrne.

Father: Moses SPIEGEL

Mother: Rachel ????

Birth: 8 Dec 1829 Worms, Reinland-Pfalz, Germany [[Find a Grave](#)]

Marriage: Caroline Frances HAMLIN, 7 Aug 1853, Stark Co OH

Death: 3 May 1864, Snaggy Point, LA

Cemetery: Jewish Graceland Cemetery, Chicago, Cook Co IL.

Marcus died at Snaggy Point, but this would be the record of the physician who probably never even saw Spiegel at the time of his death:

Registers of Deaths of Volunteers, 1861-1865: Marcus M. SPIEGLE, Colonel, 120th OH Inf, died 4 May 1864 near Kingston, Georgia. Cause: vulnus sclopet [gunshot wound]. Signed by Byron Stanton.

Not found in Burial Registers, Military Posts and National Cemeteries, 1862-1960.

Pension Card: Marcus M. SPIEGEL, Col, Field and Staff 120th OH Inf. Widow applied 16 Sep 1864, Application 65160, Certificate 34374. Pension Index: Widow was M M SPIEGEL on the card [Caroline].

[History of Cook County, Illinois: Being a General Survey of Cook County History, Including a Condensed History of Chicago and Special Account of Districts Outside the City Limits; from the Earliest Settlement to the Present Time, Volume 1, 1909, Weston Arthur Goodspeed, Daniel David Healy]  
page 775

"Joseph Spiegel has been a resident of Chicago for the past forty-three years and is the founder of one of the great mercantile establishments of the city. He was born near the city of Worms, in the Province of Rhine-Hesse, and the Grand Duchy of Hesse, Germany, September 23, 1840. His parents, Moses and Regina (Hart) Spiegel, immigrated to America in 1849, in order to accompany Marcus M. Spiegel, another son, who was implicated in the revolution of 1848 and was compelled to flee his native country. Marcus M. Spiegel embarked in the grain business at Millersburg, Ohio. He was one of the first to enlist for the preservation of the Union in 1861, and served as first lieutenant in the Sixty-seventh regiment, Ohio Volunteer Infantry, in the Shenandoah Valley under Gen. Philip Sheridan. Later he became colonel of the One Hundred and Twentieth Ohio Volunteer Infantry and was a participant in many of the great battles and important campaigns of the Civil war. He was killed while on the Red river expedition to Shreveport, Louisiana." *[It goes on to say that brother Joseph enlisted in 1862 in Co C, 120<sup>th</sup> OVI and fought at the siege of Vicksburg and the battle of Jackson, Mississippi and that he was captured on the Red River and went to Camp Ford TX as a prisoner with the others in the 120<sup>th</sup>. It is true that he went to Camp Ford as a prisoner but he was a "sutler" and not a soldier.]*

1850 Census, Lake Twp, Stark Co OH, Dwelling 120, Family 120: Marcus SPEIGLE, age 20 Germany, peddler. He was living with the Louis and Henrietta JOSEPH family.

Married Caroline Frances HAMLIN.

1860 Census, Akron, Summit Co OH, Dwelling 236, Family 231: M. M. SPEIGEL, age 29 Germany; Caroline, age 26 OH; Hamlin, age 5 OH; Elizabeth, age 3 OH; Moses, age 2 months OH; Elizabeth, age 16 OH.

1870 Census, Chicago Ward 10, Cook Co, IL, Dwelling 44, Family 56: Caroline SPIEGEL, age 36 OH; Hamlin, age 15 OH, clerk in furniture store; Lizzie, age 13 OH; Moses, age 10 OH; Hattie, age 8 OH; Clara, age 5 OH.

1880 Census, 137 Van Buren St, Chicago, Cook Co IL, Dwelling 82, Family 177: Caroline SPIEGEL, age 47 OH, widow, parents born VA; father born Hesse Darmstadt, mother born OH; Clara, daughter, age 16 OH, father born Hesse Darmstadt, mother born OH; Hattie, daughter, single, age 18 OH, father born Hesse Darmstadt, mother born OH; Moses, son, age 20 OH, single, traveling salesman dry goods, father born Hesse Darmstadt, mother born OH; Hamlin, son, single, age 25 OH, travels for cain [sic][cane] seat manuf., father born Hesse Darmstadt, mother born OH; Minnie BOERNER, servant, single age 20 IL, domestic servant, parents born Saxony; Alex MEISEL, boarder, age 20 NY stockkeeper in wholesale gents underwear [sic] [underwear], parents born Prussia.

[There were other separate families living at the same dwelling and street address.]

1890 Veterans Schedule: Did not find.

1900 Census, 3153 Prairie Ave, South Chicago Twp, Chicago, IL, Dwelling 77, Family 119: Martin BARBE, age 56 OH, born May 1844, married 23 yrs, father born Germany, mother born Sweden, occupation real estate; Lizzie, wife, age 43 OH; born Oct 1856, married 23 yrs, 4 children/4 still living, father born Germany, mother born OH; Martle, daughter, age 19, single, born Aug 1881 IL, parents born OH; Walter, son, age 17 IL, single, born Feb 1883, parents born OH, city salesman fur gds; Caroline SPIEGEL, mother in law, age 86 OH, born July 1863, widow, parents born VA; Segmund STRAUFF/STRAUSS, roomer, single, age 30 Germany, born Mar 1870, parents born Germany, came to US 1885, been there 15 yrs; book keeper; Pigford ROSENFELD, roomer, age 28 Germany, born Mar 1872, single, parents born Germany, came to US 1892, been here 8 yrs, salesman Lyons; Ricka BORT [female], servant, age 30 Germany, single, born Mar 1870, parents born Germany, came to US 1892, been here 8 yrs, servant; Elizabeth SEAGAL, servant, age 29 Bohemia, single, born Apr 1871, parents born Bohemia, came to US 1891, been here 9 yrs, servant.

Caroline died 19 Nov 1901.

Holmes County Farmer [Holmes Co OH], 24 Nov 1864, page 3:

"Death of Col. Spiegel. - At the semi-annual meeting of the Hebrew Benevolent Society, held on the 16<sup>th</sup> of October, 1864, the following resolutions were offered and unanimously adopted:

Whereas, Our lamented brother, Marcus M. Spiegel, Colonel of the 120<sup>th</sup> Ohio Regiment was killed aboard the steamer 'City Belle,' on Red River, May 3d, 1864, while nobly performing his duty to our adopted country; and

Whereas, The members of the Hebrew Benevolent Society of Chicago, desire to give expression to the feelings of high esteem and love they entertained towards their late brother and former President, be it therefore

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Resolved, That the members of the Hebrew Benevolent Society feel proud of the heroic conduct of their late brother, M. M. Spiegel, he having been one of the first to offer his services to our country in time of danger.

Resolved, That the Hebrew Benevolent Society of Chicago, has watched and always felt proud of the noble deeds performed by our late brother, who by good behavior and courage rose from a second Lieutenant to Colonel, and who, tho' wounded by a shell before Jackson, Mississippi, and scarcely able to mount a horse, came forward again to battle the enemies of his country.

Resolved. That we deeply sympathize with the bereaved widow and children of our late brother, and hope that they may find consolation by putting their trust in him who never forsakes widows and orphans.

Resolved. That the Secretary of this Society be instructed to forward a copy of these resolutions to the widow [of] the late Colonel Spiegel, and the same be published in the daily papers of the city, and the paper published at Millersburg, Ohio, the late residence of Colonel Spiegel."

**The State of Ohio,** } ss. Jas W Underhill  
Stark County, }  
Judge of the Probate Court within and  
for the County of Stark do hereby certify that the following is a  
true and correct Transcript, taken from the Marriage Records in this office,  
where the same is by law required to be kept, to wit:

(COPY:)  
Marriage Record vol C, Page 66

I certify that on the seventh  
day of August 1853  
Marcus M Spiegel  
and  
Caroline Hamlin  
were legally joined in marriage by me  
a Justice of the Peace of said County  
Wm B Buck

In Testimony Whereof, I have hereunto set my  
hand and affixed the seal of said Court at Canton  
this thirtieth day of August A. D. 1864  
Jas W Underhill Probate Judge.  
Wm B Buck and Ex-officio Deputy Clerk.

Widow's Pension at fold3.com :

Colonel Spiegel was wounded 3 May 1864 and died 4 May 1864, at Wilsons Plantation in Louisiana. at Regimental Hospital. [Note: This has to be the location of the reporting physician, not the location where the wound or the death occurred.]

Caroline Francis SPIEGEL, widow. Post Office address Millersburg, Holmes Co OH.

Caroline and Marcus were married 7 Aug 1853 at Lexington twp, Stark Co OH by William Bock or Buck

On 10 Nov 1864 Caroline F. SPIEGEL resided in Millersburg, Holmes Co OH.

Widow Spiegel died 19 Nov 1901.

Present at the birth of children was Susanna VENDERSALL. Hamlin Montefiore SPIEGEL born at East Liberty, Summit Co OH on 7 Nov 1854. Lizzie T? SPIEGEL born at East Liberty, Summit Co OH on 30 Oct 1856. No physician was present.

Midwife Fredrica Bareugardel?? was present at the birth of Moses M. SPIEGEL born at Akron, Summit Co OH on 9 April 1860.

List of children, residence Millersburg, Holmes Co OH on 5 Sep 1864:

Hamlin Montefiore Speigel 7 Nov 1854

Lizzie Theresia 30 Oct 1856

Moses Marion 9 Apr 1860

Hattie Victoria born 8 June 1862 at Holmes Co attended by John G Bigham, MD or Millersburg

Clara M. Spiegel, born Holmes Co on 6 July 1864. Physician was Joel Pomerene, M. D.

On 14 Aug 1866 widow Caroline was living in Chicago, Cook Co IL.

On 4 June 1873 widow Caroline was living in Akron, Summit Co OH.

Brother Joseph, head sutler for the 120<sup>th</sup> OVI:

[Furniture Worker, volume 35, page 345]

"Joseph Spiegel, Mail Order Father, Dies.

Joseph Spiegel, founder and head of the Spiegel House Furnishing Co. and the Spiegel, May, Stern Co., died in the Michael Reese Hospital, Chicago, September 14. Mr. Spiegel, who was in his 78<sup>th</sup> year, was a veteran of the civil war.

When his service with the 120<sup>th</sup> Ohio Infantry was over, Mr. Spiegel came to Chicago and established the business which was the nucleus of the vast interests he directed up to the time of his death. It was Mr. Spiegel who originated the credit mail order trade, and the Spiegel, May, Stern Co., is the pioneer in that line.

Mr. Spiegel leaves a widow, Mrs. Matilda Spiegel, and two sons, Modie J. Spiegel and Sidney M. Spiegel, both of whom have been business associates of their father. Another son, Arthur Spiegel, died several years ago.

In the old volunteer fire fighting days, Mr. Spiegel was well known as a buff. He was an active member of Sinai Temple and was a most generous supporter of its charities. --Chicago Tribune."

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