

OCCGS Civil War Veterans Project

Veteran's Information

Veteran's Name: Adolphus Thurstin ABBEY

Birth Date: 27 September 1830 ¹

Location: New York ³

Death Date: 5 October 1895 ¹

Location: Orange County, California

Buried at: Anaheim Cemetery ¹

Plot Location: AD (1,22,30)

GPS Coordinates: N33° 50' 32.53040" W117° 53' 55.34470" ¹

(DMS) Datum: NAD83. Coordinates are +/- 1.00 feet of the grave location

Side Served: Union ⁴

Rank: 2nd Sergeant

Company: H

Unit: 5th Cavalry Regiment

State: Iowa

Occupation: Blacksmith/Farmer

Family Information

Parents – Lyman Abbey ^{6,9}

Birth Date/Location: 1 October 1798, New York ^{5,9}

Death Date/Location: 29 October 1880, Cottonville, Jackson County, Iowa ⁹

Mother: Mary Griffin Cleveland ^{6,9}

Birth Date/Location: 1804, New York ^{8,9}

Death Date/Location: 9 February 1873, Cottonville, Jackson County, Iowa ⁸

Spouse: Louisa Sawtell ³

Birth Date / Location: 1841, Jackson County, Iowa ²

Death Date/Location: 5 January 1899, Orange County, California (possibly)

Marriage Date / Location: 26 February 1860, Jackson County, Iowa ³

Children –

Name: Willie S. Abbey ¹⁰

Birth Date / Location: 14 December 1860, Iowa ¹⁰

Death Date / Location: 13 September 1864, Iowa ¹⁰

Name: Stella E. Abbey (Hatfield) ^{2,10}

Birth Date / Location: 11 May 1866, Jackson County, Iowa ^{2,10}

Death Date / Location: 21 March 1899, Anaheim, Orange County, California ⁹

Name: James M. Abbey ⁹

Birth Date / Location: 6 July 1868, Iowa ⁹

Death Date / Location: 31 March 1871, Linn County, Iowa ⁹

Name: Mary Abbey^{8, 10}

Birth Date / Location: 11 December 1869, Jackson County, Iowa¹⁰

Death Date / Location: 23 July 1870, Iowa^{8, 10}

Name: John Cleveland Abbey^{2, 9}

Birth Date / Location: 21 March 1873, Linn County, Iowa^{2, 7, 9}

Death Date / Location: 27 May 1947, San Mateo County, California^{7, 9}

Veteran of the Spanish American War

Name: Cynthia Polchiria Abbey (Monroe)^{2, 7, 10}

Birth Date / Location: 28 September 1877, Linn County, Iowa^{2, 7}

Death Date / Location: 22 November 1960, Auburn, Placer County, California⁷

Name: Annie (Anzoletta) Abbey^{8, 10}

Birth Date / Location: 7 July 1875, Linn County, Iowa^{8, 10}

Death Date / Location: 12 April 1883, Iowa

Name: Julie M. Abbey (Ingram)^{2, 7}

Birth Date / Location: 11 August 1881, Iowa⁷

Death Date / Location: 5 June 1967, Orange County, California⁷

Additional Information

Family histories and census records would indicate that Adolphus was one of at least nine children born to Lyman and Mary G. Abbey. The 1850 census for Naples Ontario County, New York lists the children living with their parents as Cynthia age 25, Harriet age 12 and Thomas A. age 8. The 1860 census for Hazel Green, Delaware County, Iowa lists the children living with the parents as Thomas age 18, Aaron age 16, Griffin C. age 40, and A. T. age 29. Other children in the family are Nirena J. (Warriner) the oldest daughter who is living in Iowa in the 1880, 1885 and 1900 census; Jeremiah the oldest son who appears in the 1870 Jackson County, Iowa census and Eliza (Wasson, Hunter) who resided in Jackson County, Iowa. The names are pulled from the Obituary of Eliza Abbey Hunter reported in the Jackson Sentinel, February 3, 1910.

At the time of his enlistment in the Co H of the 5th Iowa Cavalry, Adolphus was joined by at least two of his brothers. Griffin C. who joined Co K of the 21st Iowa Infantry and Aaron L. who also joined Co H of the 5th Iowa Cavalry.

By 1870 Adolphus and his wife, Louisa Sawtell, daughter of Obediah and Caroline Sawtell, have moved to Linn County, Iowa with two of their children, Stella and Mary. Adolphus lists his occupation as Farmer with value of property and estate listed as \$2,500 or \$43,000 in today's money. The family is still in Boulder, Linn County, Iowa in the 1880 census. The family consists of the following children: Stella age 14, John C., age 7, Annie age 5, and Cynthia age 3. In this census Adolphus lists his occupation as Blacksmith. The family eventually moves to Orange County, California. The earliest California Voter Register that Adolphus is listed on is 1890 in West Anaheim again listing his occupation as farmer. He is still in West Anaheim on 1892 Voter Register.

Adolphus passes away in 1895. There was no cemetery record found for a Louisa Abbey in Orange County. Adolphus is buried in Section AD Block: 1, Lot: 22, Space 3 in Anaheim Cemetery. A record of an A. L. Abbey, death date of 5 January 1899 is listed as being in the same block and lot in Space 4.

US Soldiers Records and Profiles

Enlisted 19 October 1861 at age 31
Muster Out: 28 June 1865, Nashville, Tennessee
Born: 27 September 1830

Civil War Pension Index: General Index to Pension Files, 1861-1934

Adolphus T. Abbey, Invalid, June 19, 1890
Louisa A. Abbey, Widow, November 4, 1895, California

"1890 The Great Register of Orange County", State of California

Adolphus T. Abbey, Age 60, born in New York, living in West Anaheim, farmer

Stella Abbey married Ruell Ingram the son of Civil War Veteran George D. Ingram. George Ingram is also buried in Orange County.

Adolphus' son John C Abbey was a veteran of the Spanish American War, a Sgt with the 7th California Infantry.

Adolphus Abbey is listed as a descendant of John Abbe from the Mayflower. His sixth great grandfather was John Abbe.

Adolphus Abbey's great grandfather Aaron Abbey was a Second Lieutenant in Ward's Massachusetts Regiment during the Revolutionary War.

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