

OCCGS Civil War Veterans Project

Veteran's Information

Veteran's Name: Edward J. ABBOTT

Birth Date: 18 March 1843

Location: Illinois

Death Date: 10 October 1895

Location: Santa Ana, Orange County, California

Buried at: Santa Ana Cemetery

Plot Location: I (19,2,12)

GPS Coordinates: N33° 46' 06.45930" W117° 50' 20.95374"

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



Side Served: Union

Rank: Private

Company: C

Unit: 12th Infantry Regiment

State: Iowa

Occupation: Farmer

Family Information

Parents –

Father: Eli Abbott

Birth Date/Location: 27 March 1815, Wakefield, Middlesex County, Massachusetts

Death Date/Location: 18 November 1893, Santa Ana, Orange County, California

Mother: Evaline Charlotte Andress

Birth Date/Location: 1 October 1817, Henrietta, Lorain County, Ohio

Death Date/Location: 28 August 1880, West Union, Fayette County, Iowa

Spouse: Vesta Ann Spencer

Birth Date / Location: March 1840, Canada

Death Date/Location: 21 April 1934, Los Angeles

Marriage Date / Location: 18 May 1890, Santa Ana, Orange County, California

Married 5 times, Edward Abbott was her third husband

Last marriage was to Lyman Cross

Children – None found

Additional Information

Member of Sedgwick Post 17, GAR, Santa Ana, California

Abbott, Edward J. Veteran. Age 18. Residence West Union, nativity Illinois. Enlisted Oct. 6, 1861. Mustered In Oct. 24, 1861. Missing in battle April 6, 1862, Shiloh, Tennessee. Re-enlisted and re-mustered Jan. 5, 1864. Mustered out Jan. 20, 1866, Memphis, Shelby County, Tennessee

Edward had three brothers who also served during the Civil War:

- William Sheridan Abbott served in Company F of the 38th Iowa Infantry Regiment and is also buried in Orange County, California
- David Byron Abbott served in Company B, 7th Ohio Infantry
- Squire Abbott served with Company H, 18th Iowa Infantry

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- Death of Eli Abbott

Photograph of headstone for Edward J. Abbott, Santa Ana Cemetery, Orange County, California taken by Charles Lewis Beal, 1/20/2007. Used with the permission of Charles Lewis Beal