

# OCCGS Civil War Veteran's Project

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## Veteran's Information

**Veteran's Name:** William ADAMS

**Birth Date:** 8 March 1844

Location: Quebec, Canada

**Death Date:** 9 August 1914

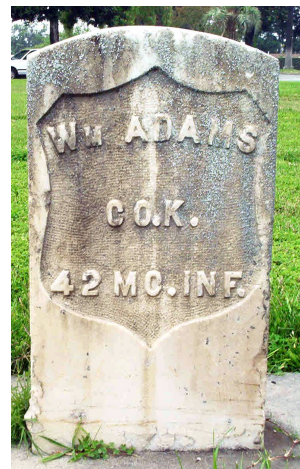
Location: Westminster, Orange County, California

Buried at: Magnolia Memorial Park

Plot Location: Unknown

GPS Coordinates: N33° 47' 03.17183" W117° 58' 34.11264"

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



### Side Served - Union

Rank: Private

Company: K

Unit: 42<sup>nd</sup> Infantry Regiment

State: Missouri

**Occupation:** Carpenter

## Family Information

### Parents –

**Father:** William Adams

Birth Date/Location: ABT 1811, Ireland

Death Date/Location: Unknown

**Mother:** Catherine Adams

Birth Date/Location: ABT 1811, Scotland

Death Date/Location: Unknown

### Spouse: Elizabeth Frances Smith

Birth Date / Location: June 1831, Virginia

Death Date/Location: 25 March 1918, Orange County, California

Marriage Date / Location: 13 October 1873, Fairfield, Jefferson County, Iowa

### Children –

**Name:** Minnie/Mamie E Adams

Birth Date / Location: ABT 1875, Fairfield, Jefferson County, Iowa

Death Date / Location: Aft 1918, California

## Additional Information

Member of Sedgwick Post No. 17, GAR – Santa Ana

Enlisted 31 August 1864 in Macon, Missouri. Mustered in 15 Sept 1864 and mustered out 22 March 1865.

Moved family to California from Iowa about 1895

## Sources

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- William Adams, 52, Carpenter, 5' 9", Blue Eyes, Dark Hair, Born in Canada, living in Garden Grove, Naturalized Citizen

*Quebec, Canada, Vital and Church Records (Drouin Collection), 1621-1968*

- Record of marriage for William Adams and Catherine Campbell. 1834, Quebec

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- William Adams born 1845 and Elizabeth F. Smith, born 1830, Fairfield Township, Jefferson County, Iowa

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- Record for William Adams
- Record Elizabeth Adams

*Find A Grave*, database and images - <https://www.findagrave.com>

- Memorial 17986201, Created by Charles Lewis Beal, Record for William Adams
- Memorial 91968362, Created by DocWriter, Record for Elizabeth Adams
- Memorial 91971607, Created by DocWiter, Record for Mamie E Adams

Santa Ana Register, Santa Ana, California, Monday Evening, August 10, 1914, Vol IX, No. 214, Pg 2, Col 3

- William Adams Passes Away
- Record for William Adams and Frances Smith

Santa Ana Register, Santa Ana, California, Friday, September 10, 1915, Pg 9, Col 3

- Court Note – Terminates five acre homestead in Garden Grove of William Adams and vests title to Elizabeth Adams

Santa Ana Register, Santa Ana, California, Wednesday, May 29, 1918, Pg 3, Col 2

- Terminate Life Interest of Elizabeth F Adams of five acres in Garden Grove

Photograph of tombstone for William Adams, Magnolia Memorial Cemetery, Orange County, California taken by Charles Lewis Beal, 2/19/2007. Used with the permission of Charles Lewis Beal.