OCCGS Civil War Veterans Project

Veteran's Information

Veteran's Name: Richard Edwin BALLOU

Birth Date: January 1846 Location: Ohio

Death Date: 28 March 1926

RICHARD E BALLOU 1848 - RO26

Location: Santa Ana, Orange County, California Buried at (Cemetery): Fairhaven Memorial Park Plot Location: X-392 GPS Coordinates: N33° 46' 11.05816" W117° 50' 38.97594" (DMS) Datum: NAD83. Coordinates are +/- 1.00 feet of the grave location

Side Served:

Rank: Private Company: D Unit: 1st Heavy Artillery State: Wisconsin

Occupation: Stage Driver, Postmaster (Idaho)

Family Information

Parents –

Father: Unknown Birth Date/Location: Unknown, Ohio Death Date/Location: Unknown, Unknown
Mother: Unknown Birth Date/Location: Unknown, Pennsylvania Death Date/Location: Unknown, Unknown

Spouse: Sarah Simmons

Birth Date / Location: 11 December 1848, Gloucestershire, England Death Date/Location: 5 December 1929, Provo, Utah County, Utah Marriage Date / Location: 24 July 1870, Corrine, Box Elder County, Utah

Children -

Name: Cora E. Ballou (Horn)

Birth Date / Location: February 1871, Utah Death Date / Location: 18 August 1913, York County, Maine

Name: Clara Ballou

Birth Date / Location: 1870, Wasatch, Salt Lake County, Utah Death Date / Location: 13 February 1885, Alta, Utah

Name: Ida Bell Ballou (Allcock)
Birth Date / Location: 29 April 1873, Wasatch, Salt Lake County, Utah
Death Date / Location: 24 September 1957, Santa Ana, Orange County, California
Name: Lenora V. "Nora" Ballou (Ferguson)
Birth Date / Location: 22 February 1873, Wasatch, Salt Lake City, Utah
Death Date / Location: 10 October 1925, Provo, Utah County, Utah
Name: Sarah Ballou
Birth Date / Location: 1878, Wasatch, Salt Lake County, Utah
Death Date / Location: 13 February 1885, Alta, Utah
Name: Richard Ballou
Birth Date / Location: 1880, Wasatch, Salt Lake County, Utah
Death Date / Location: 13 February 1885, Alta, Utah
Name: William Ballou
Birth Date / Location: 1882, Wasatch, Salt Lake Couty, Utah
Death Date / Location: 13 February 1885, Alta, Utah
Name: Henry Robert Ballou
Birth Date / Location: 8 May 1885, Utah
Death Date / Location: 19 September 1962, Blackfoot, Bingham County, Idaho
Name: Edward Richard Ballou
Birth Date / Location: 19 March 1887, Wasatch, Salt Lake County, Utah
Death Date / Location: 5 September 1961, Riverside, Riverside County, California
Name: Byron Ballou
Birth Date / Location: 1893, Utah
Death Date / Location: aft 1926, possibly Utah

Additional Information

Richard Ballou initially enlisted in the 13th Infantry Regiment in Wisconsin when he was 15 years old. He served only 15 days at which time his parents secured his discharge because of his youth. He enlisted again on 12 August 1864 as a Private in the 1st Regiment, Wisconsin Heavy Artillery, Battery D, while a resident of Janesville, and mustered out on 29 July 1865.

The Ballou family were involved in a tragic accident when they were caught in an avalanche in Alta, Utah on Friday the 13th of February in 1885. The four children that perished were buried in Mount Olivet Cemetery in Salt Lake City.

Richard Ballou was the last surviving member of the E. G. Baker Post, GAR, Hailey, Blaine County, Idaho and the last surviving Civil War Veteran of Blaine County, Idaho.

Richard Ballou came to California for his health and was living with his son Edward Ballou in Santa Ana. He had only been in California 5 months prior to his death.

In the 1870 Census for Corinne, Box Elder County, Utah both Richard Ballou and Sarah Simmons list their occupation as working in a hotel. The town of Corinne was laid out in February 1869 by Union Pacific. Within two weeks 500 frame and tent buildings were erected. The town quickly housed several hotels, an opera house, cigar factory, shops and newspapers. It is not known if Sarah and Richard worked in the same hotel.

Photograph of tombstone for Charles D. Abbot, Fairhaven Memorial Cemetery, Orange County, California taken by Charles Lewis Beal, 5/30/2007. Used with the permission of Charles Beal.

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