

OCCGS Civil War Veterans Project

Veteran's Information

Veteran's Name: George Washington FUSON

Birth Date: March 1827

Location: Kentucky

Death Date: 21 April 1910

Location: Orange County, California

Buried at: Santa Ana, California

Plot Location: G (51, 9) unmarked grave

GPS Coordinates: N33° 46' 13.65959" W117° 50' 22.15671"

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

Side Served: Union

Rank: Unknown

Company:

Unit:

State:

Occupation: Cooper

Family Information

Parents –

Father: unknown

Birth Date/Location: Tennessee

Death Date/Location:

Mother: unknown

Birth Date/Location: Tennessee

Death Date/Location:

Spouse: Anna

Birth Date / Location: ABT 1825, Ohio

Death Date/Location: ABT 1886, California

Marriage Date / Location:

Children – none found

Additional Information

California County Voter Registrar

1880 – Los Angeles County

George W. Fuson, 53, Kentucky, farmer living in Orange

1888 – Los Angeles County

George W. Fuson, Cooper, 61, born in Kentucky living in Santa Ana

1890 – Orange County

George W. Fuson, 63, Kentucky, Cooper residing at 3rd W, Santa Ana

1896 – Humboldt County

George Washington Fuson, Farmer, 69, 6'2", Blue Eyes, Gray Hair, Scar on Left Hand born in Kentucky

George Fuson is listed as a widower in the 1900 census. A grave at Santa Ana Cemetery listed as Mrs. G. W. Fuson, may be his wife's grave (Section: C Block: 5 Lot: 18 Space: 1) but is not located near George's grave. Also George is buried with his name spelled Fusson.

Charles Beal of the local SUV located a 1905 article in the Los Angeles Times describing George Fuson as an eccentric Civil War Veteran. An apparent connection to GAR was found in his burial records. George's death notice in the Register spells his last name as Fusson but provides little other information. There are no other Fuson or Fusson buried in Orange per current listings nor does there appear to be any connection to a few Fuson families found in other parts of California.

Census records indicate George's parents were both born in Tennessee and that his wife's father was born in Maine and her mother in Ohio. No census records prior to 1880 have been located under any spelling of the last name nor has any record of military service during the Civil War.

Current on-line cemetery records indicate 261 of 364 Fuson listings for Kentucky are from Bell County. Many of these families came from Tennessee and their name has been spelled as Fuson, Fusson and Fuston over the years.

Sources

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