

OCCGS Civil War Veterans Project

Veteran's Information

Veteran's Name: James Smith GARDINER

Birth Date: 5 November 1840

Location: Neillston, Renfrewshire, Scotland

Death Date: 8 November 1905

Location: Anaheim, Orange County, California

Buried at (Cemetery): Anaheim Cemetery

Plot Location: OC (15, 9) Marker: UCV / Masonic

GPS Coordinates: N33° 50' 29.21813" W117° 53' 56.11666"

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



Side Served: Confederacy

Rank: Private

Company: I

Unit: 37th Infantry Regiment

State: Tennessee

Occupation: Physician, Post Master

Family Information

Parents –

Father: William Gardiner

Birth Date/Location: 1800, Lanark, Lanarkshire, Scotland

Death Date/Location: 1886, Anaheim, Orange County, California

Mother: Mary Bisket

Birth Date/Location: 28 October 1799, Neilston, Renfrewshire, Scotland

Death Date/Location: Between 1870 and 1880, Blount County, Tennessee

Spouse: Maria Jane Keener Tarver

Birth Date / Location: 2 September 1836, Bellefonte, Jackson County, Alabama

Death Date/Location: 29 June 1906, Anaheim, Orange County, California

Marriage Date / Location: 3 October 1876, Anaheim, Los Angeles County, California

Children –

Name: Mary Ella Gardiner (Coons)

Birth Date / Location: 25 January 1878, Anaheim, Orange County, California

Death Date / Location: 30 August 1946, Orange County, California

Name: Nancy Jessie Gardiner

Birth Date / Location: 1880, Anaheim, Orange County, California

Death Date / Location: 1888, Anaheim, Orange County, California

Additional Information

James Smith Gardiner was born in Scotland, the son of William Gardiner and Mary Bisket. His siblings were Agnes, Mary, John, Janet, William, Christian, David, and Alexander Peter. He immigrated to New York about 1853, sailed to Charleston, South Carolina, and overland to Rockland, Blount County, Tennessee. His mother died between 1870 and 1880 in Blount County. His father, William, moved to California by 1880, and died in Orange County in 1886.

James S. Gardiner enlisted in 1862 and served in the 37th Regiment, Tennessee Infantry Company I, also know as the 1st East Tennessee Rifles, as a Private. The 37th Regiment was organized at Camp Ramsay, near Knoxville, Tennessee, in October 1861. This unit was consolidated with the 15th Regiment in June, 1863, and fought in conflicts from Murfreesboro to Atlanta, returned to Tennessee, and was active in North Carolina. James Gardiner "was stabbed by a Union sympathizer and unable to return to service," and he received the Southern Cross in June 1903

After the war, James S. Gardiner returned to Blount County, Tennessee, soon after enrolled in the Medical School of the University of Pennsylvania. He graduated from the Medical School in 1865, and returned to Blount County and started a practice. About 1869 he migrated to California, where he became a well know physician in Orange County.

James S. Gardiner married Maria Jane Keener Tarver, widow of Charles Bicknell Tarver. Maria Jane Keener is also the sister of Kenner Avery Rector Keener another Civil War Veteran buried in Orange County. Maria Jane is also the mother of Charlie Tarver, wife of Victor Montgomery, another Civil War Veteran buried in Orange County.

Photograph of tombstone for James Smith Gardiner, Anaheim Cemetery, taken by Charles Lewis Beal 02/19/2007. Use with the permission of Charles Lewis Beal.

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Picture, Dr. And Mrs. James Smith Gardiner Standing in front of their Residence, Anaheim [graphic]

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