

OCCGS Civil War Veterans Project

Veteran's Information

Veteran's Name: Upton Christian HOLDERMAN, Jr.

Birth Date: 6 December 1844

Location: Iowa

Death Date: 17 June 1913

Location: Tustin, Orange County, California

Buried at (Cemetery): Fairhaven Memorial Park

Plot Location: L-39-1

GPS Coordinates: N33° 46' 17.49806" W117° 50' 33.17377"

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



Side Served: Union

Rank: Private

Company: A

Unit: 22nd Infantry Regiment

State: Iowa

Occupation: Farmer

Family Information

Parents –

Father: Upton Christian Holderman, Sr.

Birth Date/Location: unknown

Death Date/Location: 3 October 1846, Wayne County, Ohio

Mother: Mary Ann Coe

Birth Date/Location: 28 September 1818, Miami County, Ohio

Death Date/Location: 22 August 1903, Morse, Johnson County, Iowa

Spouse: Almira "Myra" E Morse

Birth Date/Location: February 1846, Johnson County, Iowa

Death Date/Location: 1929, Orange County, California

Marriage Date/Location: 25 December 1868, Johnson County, Iowa

Children –

Name: Austine "Uppie" Ethel Holderman (Parker)

Birth Date/Location: 1869, Iowa

Death Date/Location: 1950, California

Name: Emma Mary Holderman (Lamb)

Birth Date/Location: 23 April 1873, Iowa

Death Date/Location: 25 October 1965, Orange County, California

Name: Myron Charles Holderman

Birth Date/Location: 24 December 1874, Nebraska

Death Date/Location: 4 December 1959, San Diego County, California

Name: Lyda Holderman (Marsh)

Birth Date/Location: 17 December 1880, Nebraska

Death Date/Location: 21 September 1959, Orange County, California

Name: Nelson Miles Holderman

Birth Date/Location: 10 November 1885, Trumbull, Adams County, Nebraska

Death Date/Location: 3 September 1953, Napa County, California

Name: Upton Grant Holderman

Birth Date/Location: 15 September 1888, Nebraska

Death Date/Location: 28 October 1951, Orange County, California

World War I Draft Registration , Orange County, California

Additional Information

Member of Sedgwick Post No 17, GAR

U.S. Civil War Soldier Records and Profiles

Enlisted 21 August 1862, mustered out 25 July 1865 at Savannah, Georgia

Civil War Pension Index

A, 22 Iowa Inf

Upton C Holderman, invalid, 23 March 1891, Nebraska

Myra E Holderman, widow, 30 June 1913, California

From "History of Orange County, CA" by Samuel Armor, 1921; Pg 555:

"Myra E Morse was married...in 1867 to Upton Holderman, a native of Iowa....

After the war he was a farmer in Iowa, and then moved to the vicinity of Hastings, Adams County, Nebraska where he farmed for twenty years.

He came to Tustin, in Orange County, in February, 1893, and bought an orange grove of twenty acres and served on the board of supervisors from the Fifth District."

Upton C Holderman service included Vicksburg, Black River Bridge, Cedar Creek and Sherman's March to Sea.

Upton Holderman's son Nelson Miles Holderman was a Captain in World War I. He was with the 307th Infantry, 77th Division. He was awarded the Congressional Medal of Honor for heroic action in the battle of the Argonne Forest, France October 1918. He was the most decorated US soldier of World War I. He was a member of "The Lost Battalion".

Upton Holderman's son Myron Holderman was a musician US Army Spanish American War and is buried at Ft. Rosecrans National Cemetery.

Holderman Park in North Tustin was once the front yard of the Holderman Ranch. Upton Grant Holderman cultivated orange and walnut orchards on the site from 1914 to 1951. A dedication ceremony was held at the park June 14, 2007.

Upton Holderman's Wife Myra married Elwood Coate, a Civil War Veteran also buried in Orange County.

Upton's mother Mary Ann Coe was first married to Jonathan Chord in 1837. They had one child. Jonathan died in 1837. In 1842 she married Upton Christian Holderman and had two children, Upton and Annette. Mary Ann's husband Upton died in 1846. In 1847 Mary Ann married her brother-in-law Edwin Keech Morse a recent widower. They had five children. Census records for 1850 and 1860 list all children in the household of Edwin and Mary Morse with the last name as being Morse including Upton and his sister Annette "Anna".

Photograph of tombstone for Upton C Holderman, Fairhaven Memorial Park, Orange County, California taken by Charles Lewis Beal, 3/10/2007. Used with the permission of Charles Beal.

Sources

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