

# OCCGS Civil War Veterans Project

## Veteran's Information

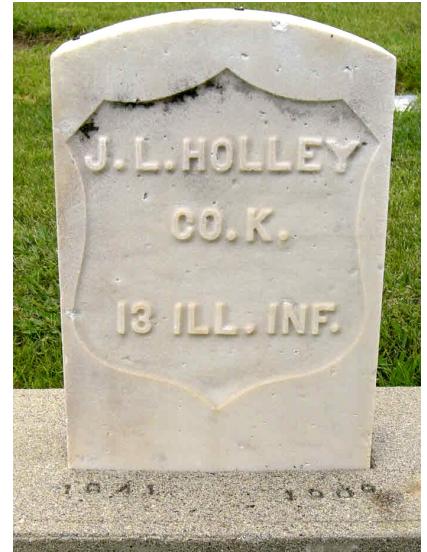
**Veteran's Name:** James Leroy HOLLEY

**Birth Date:** September 1841  
Location: Pennsylvania

**Death Date:** 6 February 1909  
Location: Orange County, California  
Buried at (Cemetery): Santa Ana Cemetery  
Plot Location: M-37-1  
GPS Coordinates: N33° 46' 14.12121" W117° 50' 26.95402"  
(DMS) Datum: NAD83. Coordinates are +/- 1.00 feet of the grave location.

**Side Served:** Union  
Rank: Private  
Company: K  
Unit: 13<sup>th</sup> Infantry Regiment  
State: Illinois

**Occupation:** Farmer



## Family Information

### Parents –

**Father: Ephraim Holley**  
Birth Date/Location: abt. 1818,  
Death Date/Location: 1849, DuPage, County Illinois

**Mother: Almira Wellman**  
Birth Date/Location: 4 December 1815, Pennsylvania  
Death Date/Location: after 1882, Illinois  
Married William Clark in DuPage County, Illinois 11 April 1852

### Spouse: Rhoda A. Gibson

Birth Date/Location: abt. 1838, Tazewell County, Illinois  
Death Date/Location: May 1880, DuPage County, Illinois  
Marriage Date/Location: 14 August 1865, McLean County, Illinois

### Spouse: Emma R. Ambrose Oldfield

Birth Date/Location: January 1846, Maine  
Death Date/Location: 22 November 1923, Orange County, California  
Marriage Date/Location: 3 March 1886, Du Page County, Illinois

### Children –

**Name: James Ray Holley**  
Birth Date/Location: 18 January 1888, California  
Death Date/Location: after 1920, 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 28 June 1861, mustered out 18 June 1864

### Illinois Civil War Detail Rolls

James L Holley, age 20, a single blacksmith from DuPage County, Illinois enlisted as a Private with Co K, 13<sup>th</sup> Illinois US Infantry on 25 June 1861 at Caseyville, Illinois. A native of Pennsylvania, 5' 11" tall with dark hair and eyes, he joined for a period of 3 years. He mustered in 25 June 1861 and mustered out 18 June 1864 at Springfield, Illinois.

### Civil War Pension Index

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James L Holley, invalid, 8 August 1879

Emma A Holley, widow, 15 February 1909

James' brother Franklin Holley enlisted with Co K, 13<sup>th</sup> Illinois US Infantry at the same time as James. He died 3 July 1863 in the hospital in St. Louis, Missouri of wounds received at Chickasaw Bayou 29 December 1862.

James Holley appears in the 1890 Voter Registration Records for Garden Grove

Photograph of tombstone for James L Holley, Santa Ana Cemetery, Orange County, California taken by Charles Lewis Beal, 03/01/2007. Used with the permission of Charles Beal.

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