

OCCGS Civil War Veterans Project

Veteran's Information

Veteran's Name: John Charles ORD

Birth Date: 28 July 1842

Location: Sherbrooke, Quebec, Canada

Death Date: 15 January 1937

Location: Seal Beach, Orange County, California

Buried at (Cemetery): Westminster Memorial Park

Plot Location: 32-51-1

GPS Coordinates: N33° 45' 03.36" W117° 59' 24.48"

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



Side Served: Union

Rank: Private

Company: E

Unit: 9th Infantry

State: Vermont

Occupation: Miner, Merchant, Postmaster, Mayor, Judge

Family Information

Parents –

Father: Alexander Ord

Birth Date/Location: 4 April 1804, Aberdeen, Scotland

Death Date/Location: 20 June 1883, Brookbury, Compton, Quebec, Canada

Mother: Ann Colliston

Birth Date/Location: 16 May 1821, Norfolk, England

Death Date/Location: 12 October 1893, Brookbury, Compton, Quebec, Canada

Spouse: Mary Ann White

Birth Date / Location: 24 September 1853, Irasburg, Orleans County, Vermont

Death Date/Location: 8 December 1918, Irasburg, Orleans County, Vermont

Marriage Date / Location: 20 September 1870, Irasburg, Orleans County, Vermont

Children –

Name: Ernest Westley Ord

Birth Date / Location: 11 April 1880, Irasburg, Orleans County, Vermont

Death Date / Location: 15 January 1948, Boston, Massachusetts

Spouse: Nettie Bell Gray (Smith)

Birth Date / Location: 29 August 1863, Orleans County, Vermont

Death Date/Location: unknown

Marriage Date / Location: 1907

Additional Information

John Charles Ord - Biographical Data

John Charles Ord was the son of Alexander Ord and Ann Colliston. He enlisted on 17 June 1862 at the age of 20. He mustered in 9 July 1862 to Company E, 9th Vermont Infantry as a Private, and mustered out 13 June 1865.

He saw service in Winchester, Harper's Ferry, Virginia and North Carolina. In 1865 he was attached to the Sharpshooter Brigade, and saw service in the Battle of Petersburg. He was in the Grand Review at the close of the war in Richmond.

He helped organize the Baxter Post, G.A.R., at Newport, Vermont.

John C. Ord is considered the father of Seal Beach, Orange County, California, where he served as a Mayor, Judge and Postmaster.

He was at the surrender of Lee

He was the last surviving member of his regiment

Moses W. White, the father of his first wife, also served in Company E, 9th Vermont Infantry.

Photograph of tombstone for John Charles Ord, Westminster Memorial Park, Orange County, California taken by Charles Lewis Beal, 18 February 2007. Used with the permission of Charles Beal.

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