

# OCCGS Civil War Veterans Project

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## Veteran's Information

**Veteran's Name:** George W. ROLFE

**Birth Date:** 18 October 1848

Location: Leroy, Calhoun County, Michigan



**Death Date:** 4 June 1932

Location: Garden Grove, Orange County, California

Buried at (Cemetery): Fairhaven Memorial Park

Plot Location: S-120-1\*

GPS Coordinates: N33° 46' 14.12844" W117° 50' 29.75324"

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

**Side Served:** Union

Rank: Private

Company: C

Unit: 20<sup>th</sup> Infantry Regiment

State: Michigan

Rank: Private

Company: K

Unit: 2<sup>nd</sup> Infantry Regiment

State: Michigan

**Occupation:** Mill Worker, Farmer

## Family Information

**Parents –**

**Father: Orlando H. Rolfe**

Birth Date/Location: 1819, New York

Death Date/Location: 20 November 1879, Leroy, Calhoun County, Michigan

**Mother: Esther De Pew**

Birth Date/Location: 1827, New York

Death Date/Location: 1894, Calhoun County, Michigan

**Spouse: Priscilla Jennie Hopkins**

Birth Date/Location: abt. 1841, New York

Death Date/Location: 1885, Calhoun County, Michigan

Marriage Date/Location: 11 August 1872, Augusta, Kalamazoo County, Michigan

## Children – Adopted

### **Name: Georgina Rolfe (Nelson)**

Birth Date/Location: January 1878, California

Death Date/Location: Aft 1930

### **Spouse: Mary Ann Rogers (Wayman)**

Birth Date/Location: 1 May 1849, Illinois

Death Date/Location: 31 December 1901, Orange County, California

Marriage Date/Location: 10 September 1890, Orange County, California

### **Spouse: Amy Ruth Stevens (Ford, Compton)**

Birth Date/Location: 1842, Ohio

Death Date/Location: 2 June 1922, Orange County, California

Marriage Date/Location: 17 September 1905, California

## Additional Information

Member of Sedgwick Post No 17, GAR

Enlisted 31 March 1865, mustered in Company C, 20<sup>th</sup> Michigan Infantry 1 April 1865, transferred to Company K, 2<sup>nd</sup> Michigan Infantry 30 May 1865, mustered out 28 July 1865. He was only 16 at the time of enlistment, but his age was recorded as 18.

### Civil War Pension Records

K, 2 Reg't Mich Inf

C, 20 Mich Inf

George W Rolfe, invalid, 7 June 1897 and 23 September 1907

Died – Garden Grove, Orange County, California, 3 June 1932

George Rolfe first came to California in 1883 and took up residence in Compton in 1884. He moved to Garden Grove around 1900 and over the years he owned several ranches.

George Rolfe was active in the GAR attending the annual encampments for over 20 years. His wife Amy was a member of the Women's Relief Corp in Santa Ana.

Photograph of tombstone for George W Rolfe, Fairhaven Memorial Park, Orange County, California taken by Charles Lewis Beal, 3/14/2007. Used with the permission of Charles Beal.

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