

OCCGS Civil War Veterans Project

Veteran's Information

Veteran's Name: Wesley SHIELDS

Birth Date: 5 September 1830

Location: Washington County, Indiana

Death Date: 21 August 1914

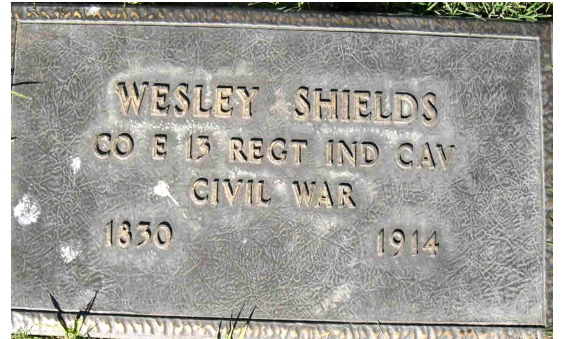
Location: Orange County, California

Buried at (Cemetery): Fairhaven Memorial Park

Plot Location: S-264-1

GPS Coordinates: N33° 46' 15.33517" W117° 50' 28.95760"

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



Side Served: Union

Rank: Saddler

Company: E

Unit: 13th Cavalry Regiment

State: Indiana

Occupation: Farmer

Family Information

Parents –

Father: Reuben Shields

Birth Date/Location: 21 December 1788, Rowan County, North Carolina

Death Date/Location: 3 November 1865, Washington County, Indiana

Mother: Grace Johnson

Birth Date/Location: 26 February 1794, Rowan County, North Carolina

Death Date/Location: 14 March 1866, Washington County, Indiana

Spouse: Sarah Jane Overshiner

Birth Date/Location: January 1837, Indiana

Death Date/Location: July 1919, Orange County, California

Marriage Date/Location: 29 September 1852, Washington County, Indiana

Children –

Name: George Washington Shields

Birth Date/Location: 29 May 1854, Washington County, Indiana

Death Date/Location: 16 April 1938, Orange County, California

Name: Caroline Shields

Birth Date/Location: abt. 1856, Washington County, Indiana

Death Date/Location: Unknown

Name: Albert Newton Shields

Birth Date/Location: 19 February 1862, Washington County, Indiana

Death Date/Location: 14 April 1945, Orange County, California

Name: John H. Shields

Birth Date/Location: 5 January 1865, Washington County, Indiana

Death Date/Location: 6 October 1865, Washington County, Indiana

Name: Louis Colby Shields

Birth Date/Location: 18 October 1869, Washington County, Indiana

Death Date/Location: 12 October 1941, Orange County, California

Additional Information

Member of J. A. Taylor Post 196, GAR, Lyon County, Kansas

Member of Gordon Granger Post 138, GAR

Member of Sedgwick Post No 17, GAR

Enlisted 2 April 1864, mustered out 18 November 1865 at Vicksburg, Mississippi

Photograph of tombstone for Wesley Shields, Fairhaven Memorial Park, Orange County, California taken by Charles Lewis Beal, 3/16/2007. Used with the permission of Charles Beal.

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- Record for Wesley Shields
- Record for George W Shields

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- Record for Albert Newton Shields, Mother's Maiden Name: Overshiner
- Record for Louis Colby Shields, Mother's Maiden Name: Overshiner

Findagrave.com, searchable database of cemeteries with tombstone inscriptions, memorials and photographs

- Memorial 6188421, Created by Jennifer, Record for Wesley Shields
- Memorial 12539231, Created by Karren Minkler, Record for Sarah Overshiner Shields
- Memorial 119746790, Created by macso, Record for Louis C. Shields
- Memorial 39321056, Created by Beverly Davis Valcovic, Record for John Shields
- Memorial 12539240, Created by Karren Minkler, Record for George Washington Shields
- Memorial 5126291, Created by Ellie Carosa, Record for Reuben Shields
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