

OCCGS Civil War Veterans Project

Veteran's Information

Veteran's Name: Oscar B. SMITH

Birth Date: February 1846

Location: Indiana

Death Date: 21 May 1924

Location: Santa Ana, Orange County, California

Buried at (Cemetery): Fairhaven Memorial Park

Plot Location: W-470-1

GPS Coordinates: N33° 46' 11.46420" W117° 50' 36.46777"

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



Side Served: Union

Rank: Private

Company: E

Unit: 73rd Infantry Regiment

State: Indiana

Occupation: Farmer

Family Information

Parents –

Father: James Smith

Birth Date/Location: 1807, Pennsylvania

Death Date/Location: 3 February 1887, Fayette County, Iowa

Mother: Nancy

Birth Date/Location: abt. 1815, New York

Death Date/Location: 3 October 1886, Fayette County, Iowa

Spouse: Frances I. Vargason

Birth Date/Location: 23 November 1843, Pennsylvania

Death Date/Location: 13 May 1930, Buckeye, Maricopa County, Arizona

Marriage Date/Location: 1871, Unknown

Children –

Name: Frederick Clyde Smith

Birth Date/Location: 2 September 1878, Iowa

Death Date/Location: 10 November 1949, Los Angeles County, California

Additional Information

Member of Sedgwick Post No 17, GAR

Enlisted 16 August 1862, disability discharge 28 March 1863

Oscar's brother, James T Smith also served with Co E, 73rd Infantry Regiment Indiana.

Oscar's brother George W Smith served with Co I, 13th Infantry Regiment Michigan.

Photograph of tombstone for Oscar B Smith, 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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