

# OCCGS Civil War Veterans Project

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## Veterans Information

**Veteran's Name:** William W. SWEARINGEN

**Birth Date:** November 1842

Location: Missouri

**Death Date:** 22 December 1913

Location: Orange County, California

Buried at (Cemetery): Fairhaven Memorial Park

Plot Location: I-31

GPS Coordinates: N33° 46' 17.19308" W117° 50' 29.17436"

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



**Side Served:** Confederacy

Rank: Corporal

Company: H

Unit: 5<sup>th</sup> Infantry Regiment

State: Missouri

**Occupation:** Painter

## Family Information

**Parents –**

**Father:** Van Boos Swearingen

Birth Date/Location: abt. 1821, Kentucky

Death Date/Location: 14 December 1896, San Francisco County, California

**Mother:** Frances Jane

Birth Date/Location: abt. 1822, Virginia

Death Date/Location: 22 May 1895, Butte County, California

**Spouse:** Laura Cassie

Birth Date / Location: March 1850, Illinois

Death Date/Location: 7 November 1930, Orange County, California

Marriage Date / Location: 1870, Unknown

**Children –**

**Name:** Daisy A. Swearingen (Sherrard)

Birth Date / Location: December 1871, Missouri

Death Date / Location: 10 November 1936, Los Angeles County, California

## Additional Information

Enlisted 11 January 1862 at Springfield, Greene County, Missouri, William was appointed 6<sup>th</sup> Corporal 10 July 1862, reduced to the ranks 1 October 1862, promoted to 3<sup>rd</sup> Corporal 1 December 1862. William was captured at Vicksburg when the garrison surrendered 4 July 1863. He was in the St. Louis Military Prison then transferred to the Alton, Illinois Military Prison 9 April 1864.

Photograph of tombstone for W W Swearingen, 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 Daisy Sherrard

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- Memorial 59341092, Created by Tony & Cindy Lloyd. Record for Cassie L. Swearingen
- Memorial 59317505, Created by Tony & Cindy Lloyd. Record for Daisy A. Sherrard
- Memorial 66253228, Created by Adriana, Record for Van Boos Swearingen

"Resident Here For Forty Years Dies", Santa Ana Register, Santa Ana, California, Friday Evening, November 7, 1930, Pg 1, Col 8 for Mrs. L. C. Swearingen