

OCCGS Civil War Veterans Project

Veteran's Information

Veteran's Name: Edwin Freeman AMBROSE

Birth Date: 12 January 1837

Location: Ossipee, Strafford County, New Hampshire

Death Date: 22 February 1894

Location: Tustin, Orange County, California

Buried at (Cemetery): Santa Ana Cemetery

Plot Location: H (3,13,1) unmarked grave

GPS Coordinates: N33° 46' 06.77638" W117° 50' 19.08131"

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

Side Served: Union

Rank: Private

Company: B

Unit: 7th Squadron Cavalry

State: Rhode Island

Occupation: School Teacher and Principal, Grocery Store Owner

Family Information

Parents –

Father: Nathaniel Ambrose

Birth Date/Location: Between 1790-1800 Strafford County, New Hampshire

Death Date/Location: Before 1850 New Hampshire

Mother: Hannah Roberts

Birth Date/Location: 1806 Ossipee, Strafford County, New Hampshire

Death Date/Location: 29 November 1879 Wolfeboro, Carroll County, New Hampshire

Spouse: Emily Jane Goodwin

Birth Date / Location: March 1843, Ireland

Death Date/Location: 10 May 1922, Los Angeles County, California

Marriage Date / Location: 25 November 1869, Maine

Children –

Name: Thomas Lyford Ambrose, Superior Court Judge

Birth Date / Location: 28 September 1872, Maine

Death Date / Location: 11 April 1965, Los Angeles County, California

Additional Information

Based on the 1850 Census, Edwin F. Ambrose had a brother Thomas Lyford Ambrose, who served as a Chaplain in the Civil War and was wounded at Chancellorsville, Spotsylvania County, Virginia. He also had sisters Louisa A. and Hannah Ambrose.

Emily Jane Goodwin, his wife, immigrated from Ireland in 1856, and after the death of Edwin F Ambrose, she moved to Los Angeles County and lived with her son Thomas Lyford Ambrose.

A biography from Dartmouth College states that Edwin Freeman Ambrose was the son of Nathaniel and Hannah (Roberts) Ambrose, and was born January 12, 1837, at Ossipee, Strafford County, New Hampshire. He started his education at New Hampton, New Hampshire, and entered college August 24, 1860. In June 1862, he enlisted in Company B, Seventh Squadron, Rhode Island Cavalry, and served for the period of enlistment, returning to the class in the Fall of the same year.

After graduation he was the principal at the Academy at Fryeburg, Oxford, County, Maine. This was followed by various academic jobs from Chicago to Maine. By 1877 he had moved to Massachusetts and entered into the mercantile business owning a grocery store in Revere, Suffolk County, Massachusetts before moving his family to California.

Edwin F. Ambrose enlisted in Providence, Rhode Island on 16 June 1862 at the age of 25 as a Private with Co B, 7th Rhode Island Cavalry. He served from 24 June 1862 to 2 October 1862, and was discharged at Providence, Providence County, Rhode Island.

Edwin's brother, Thomas Lyford Ambrose, enlisted as a Chaplain 17 September 1862 and was commissioned infor Field and Staff for the New Hampshire 12 Infantry. He was a POW at Chancellorsville, Spotsylvania County, Virginia 3 May 1863 and was paroled. He was wounded on 24 July 864 at Petersburg, Dinwiddie County, Virginia and died of those wounds 19 August at Fort Monroe, Hampton County, Virginia.

Edwin's son Thomas Lyford Ambrose became a Superior Court Judge in Los Angeles County and presided over many cases including the Black Dahlia trial. He served as a judge until he was 85.

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