

# OCCGS Civil War Veterans Project

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## Veteran's Information

**Veteran's Name:** Solomon Riley LENTZ

**Birth Date:** 13 December 1846

Location: Union County, Illinois

**Death Date:** 19 August 1931

Location: Orange County, California

Buried at (Cemetery): Santa Ana Cemetery

Plot Location: X (124, 10)

GPS Coordinates: N33° 46' 07.26954" W117° 50' 22.63750"

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



**Side Served:** Union

Rank: Private

Company: I

Unit: 81<sup>st</sup> Infantry Regiment

State: Illinois

**Occupation:** Telegraph Operator, Railroad Station Agent

## Family Information

**Parents –**

**Father: Paul Lentz**

Birth Date/Location: 6 September 1822, North Carolina

Death Date/Location: 28 March 1895, Pulaski County, Illinois

**Mother: Elizabeth Crite**

Birth Date/Location: 30 October 1820, North Carolina

Death Date/Location: 5 May 1883, Pulaski County, Illinois

**Spouse: Esther "Essie" E. McClure**

Birth Date/Location: 28 October 1854, Illinois

Death Date/Location: Unknown

Marriage Date/Location: 16 December 1873, Lafayette County, Missouri

**Children –**

**Name: Caroline A. Lentz**

Birth Date/Location: 30 December 1876, Ashley, Washington County, Illinois

Death Date/Location: 10 September 1899, Arcola, Douglas County, Illinois

**Name: Arthur Talmadge Lentz**

Birth Date/Location: unknown, Illinois

Death Date/Location: unknown, Illinois

**Spouse: Rozella F.**

Birth Date/Location: June 1853, Michigan

Death Date/Location: 3 December 1920, Orange County, California

Marriage Date/Location: 1880, Unknown

**Children –****Name: Daisey Grace Lentz**

Birth Date/Location: 19 December 1881, Douglas County, Illinois

Death Date/Location: 27 July 1882, Douglas County, Illinois

**Name: Agnes Leone Lentz (Renfrew)**

Birth Date/Location: 21 July 1891, Arcola, Douglas County, Illinois

Death Date/Location: 30 December 1919, Champaign, Campaign County, Illinois

**Name: Maude Lorraine Lentz**

Birth Date/Location: 30 January 1886, Arcola, Douglas County, Illinois

Death Date/Location: 1 April 1887, Douglas County, Illinois

## Additional Information

Member of Gordon Granger Post No 138, GAR

**Illinois Civil War Detail Report**

Solomon Lentz, farmer, 28, a native of Union County, Illinois enlisted as a Private with Co I, 11<sup>th</sup> Illinois US Infantry on 14 August 1862 at Union County, Illinois. He mustered in 11 September 1862 at Camp Anna, Illinois for a period of 3 years. He received a disability discharge 2 February 1865 at Quincy, Illinois.

Solomon Riley Lentz worked for the railroad for 42 years only moving to California upon his retirement. He was a Mason and Shriner.

Photograph of tombstone for Sol Riley Lentz, Santa Ana Cemetery, Orange County, California taken by Charles Lewis Beal, 3/3/2007. Used with the permission of Charles Beal.

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- Memorial 89396576, Created by kpet, Record for Arthur Talmadge Lentz
- Memorial 101042248, Created by David Godwin, Record for Leone Lentz Renfrew
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