

# OCCGS Civil War Veteran's Project

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## Veteran's Information

**Veteran's Name:** Charles Earl SWEETSER

**Birth Date:** 18 May 1823

Location: Delaware County, Ohio

**Death Date:** 26 April 1911

Location: Orange County, California

Buried at: Evergreen Cemetery, Los Angeles County, California

Plot: Section E, Lot 3978

**Service: Mexican American War**

Enlisted in 1846 and served to the end of the war.

Company: E

Unit: 4<sup>th</sup> Volunteer Infantry

State: Ohio

**Service: Civil War - Union**

Rank: Saddler

Company: D

Unit: 12<sup>th</sup> Volunteer Cavalry

State: Ohio

**Occupation:** Saddler, Harness Maker

## Family Information

**Parents –**

**Father: Earl Sweetser**

Birth Date/Location: 29 May 1804, Vermont

Death Date/Location: November 1828, Delaware County, Ohio

**Mother: Jerusha Smith**

Birth Date/Location: 2 May 1804, Vermont

Death Date/Location: unknown

**Spouse: Margaret Sophia Coffman**

Birth Date / Location: 1826, Ohio

Death Date/Location: 23 November 1909, Orange County, California

Marriage Date / Location: 23 December 1849, Franklin County, Ohio

**Children:**

**Name: Charles Cary Sweetser**

Birth Date / Location: 1850, Ohio

Death Date / Location: 1857

**Name: Henry Earl Sweetser**

Birth Date / Location: 1855, Ohio

Death Date / Location: 5 May 1906, Los Angeles County, California

**Name: Francis "Frank" C Sweetser**

Birth Date / Location: 1857, Franklin County, Ohio

Death Date / Location: unknown

**Name: Hattie Sweetser**

Birth Date / Location: 1859, Ohio

Death Date / Location: unknown

**Name: Madison W Sweetser**

Birth Date / Location: 1862, Ohio

Death Date / Location: 13 May 1938, Orange County, California

**Name: Burt Sweetser**

Birth Date / Location: 8 November 1866, Ohio

Death Date / Location: 1 February 1919, Los Angeles County, California

## Additional Information

Charles E Sweetser, age 38, enlisted as a Private on 1 September 1864. He mustered into Co D, Ohio 12<sup>th</sup> Cavalry on the same day. He mustered out on 15 June 1865 at Knoxville, Knox, Tennessee.

Member of GAR, John Sedgwick Post No 17, Orange County, California

Charles E Sweetser paternal grandfather, William Sweetser, was a Colonel in the colonial army during the Revolutionary War.

At the time of his death Charles Sweetser had been living in Orange County for 29 years.

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- Record for Charles E Switzer and Margaret S Coffman

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- Record for Charles E Sweetser
- Record for Margaret S Sweetser
- Record for Henry E Sweetser
- Record for Madison W Sweetser
- Record for Burt Sweetser

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- Memorial 171216620, Created by Charles Lewis Beal, Record for Margaret Sweetser
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Santa Ana Register, Santa Ana, California, Tuesday, November 23, 1909, Pg 4, Col 4

- Mrs. Margaret S Sweetser dies. Wife of Charles E Sweetser

Long Beach Press, Long Beach, California, Thursday, April 27, 1911, Pg 9, Col 1

- Charles Sweetser dead at 84 years.

Santa Ana Register, Santa Ana, California, Wednesday, February 5, 1919, Pg 5, Col 3

- Bert Sweetser, well known in this city died in Los Angeles