

# OCCGS Civil War Veterans Project

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## Veteran's Information

**Veteran's Name:** David R. S. SHAFFER

**Birth Date:** 23 October 1837

Location: Page County, Virginia

**Death Date:** 28 May 1925

Location: Orange County, California

Buried at (Cemetery): Magnolia Memorial Park

Plot Location: unknown

GPS Coordinates: N33° 47' 04.39877" W117° 58' 33.21332"

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



### Side Served - Union

Rank: Sergeant

Company: D

Unit: 141<sup>st</sup> Volunteer Infantry Regiment

State: Ohio

**Occupation:** Store Keeper, Farmer

## Family Information

### Parents –

**Father: Isaac Shaffer**

Birth Date/Location: 1804, Virginia

Death Date/Location: 1861 – 1865, Virginia

**Mother: Mary Rothgeb**

Birth Date/Location: 1798, Virginia

Death Date/Location: 1881, Virginia

### Spouse: Louisa Roush

Birth Date/Location: 6 September 1839, Gallia County, Ohio

Death Date/Location: 4 November 1881, Gallia County, Ohio

Marriage Date/Location: 8 June 1865, Gallia County, Ohio

### Children –

**Name: Joseph Virgil Shaffer**

Birth Date/Location: 26 February 1866, Ohio

Death Date/Location: 18 November 1943, Los Angeles County, California

**Name: Vesta D. Shaffer (Chappell)**

Birth Date/Location: 5 May 1870, Addison, Gallia County, Ohio

Death Date/Location: 29 April 1951, Gallia County, Ohio

**Name: David H Shaffer**

Birth Date/Location: 13 December 1874, Addison, Gallia County, Ohio  
Death Date/Location: 1931, Ohio

**Spouse: Margaret A Hill**

Birth Date/Location: December 1857, Mason County, Virginia  
Death Date/Location: 13 March 1930, Orange County, California  
Marriage Date/Location: 1884, Mason County, West Virginia

**Children – none**

## Additional Information

Member of GAR Sedgwick Post Number 17

Enlisted 2 May 1864, mustered out 2 September 1864. David Shaffer served in the Ohio National Guard for two years prior to his National Guard Unit enlisted as a whole as the 141<sup>st</sup> Volunteer Infantry.

Photograph of tombstone for David Shaffer, Magnolia Memorial Park, Orange County, California taken by Charles Lewis Beal, 2/19/2007. Used with the permission of Charles Beal.

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