

OCCGS Civil War Veterans Project

Veteran's Information

Veteran's Name: William Bostwick Wetherbee

Birth Date: 26 June 1844

Location: Southwick, Hampton County, Massachusetts

Death Date: 17 February 1925

Location: Orange County, California

Buried at (Cemetery): Santa Ana Cemetery, Orange County, California

Plot Location: M (64, 10)

Side Served - Union

Rank: CPL

Company: C

Unit: 145th Regiment Infantry

State: Illinois

Occupation: Manager, Hotel Rochester in Orange County; Farmer, Real Estate

Family Information

Parents –

Father: William Wetherbee

Birth Date/Location: Abt 1821

Death Date/Location: 5 October 1845, Westfield, Hampden County, Massachusetts

Mother: Julia Doan

Birth Date/Location: 15 June 1818, Massachusetts,

Death Date/Location: 28 October 1907, Nevada County, California

Spouse: Mary C Everitt

Birth Date / Location: 15 August 1847, Connecticut

Death Date/Location: 28 February 1919, Orange County, California

Marriage Date / Location: February 1872, Ansonia, New Haven, Connecticut

Children - None

Additional Information

William B Wetherbee, age 19, a resident of Chapin, Morgan County, Illinois enlisted 7 May 1865 for a period of 100 days. He mustered in to Co C, 145th Illinois Infantry on 9 Jun 1864 at Camp Butler, Illinois. He mustered out 23 September 1864 at Camp Butler, Illinois.

William Wetherbee's father died shortly after he was born. His mother, Julia Doan Wetherbee, married Lyman Chapin on 3 April 1849. The following year the family relocated to Morgan County, Illinois. William entered the preparatory department of Illinois College in 1858. After the war he attended Jacksonville Business College and was active in farming in the Chapin area until 1879. William and his wife moved to Wayne County, Indiana where he was a sheep farmer. In 1900 William and Mary are living with Lyman and Julia Chapin in Orange County, California.

Sources

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- Record for William B Wetherbee

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- Record for William B Wetherbee

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- Spring Branch, Wayne County, Nebraska, RollT9_757, Page 286B, ED: 084, Family Record for William Wetherbee

Twelfth Census of the United States, 1900. Washington, D.C.: National Archives and Records Administration, 1900. T623, 1854 rolls.

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- Santa Ana Ward 5, Orange County, California, Roll T624_90, Page 17A, ED: 0059, Record for William B Wetherbee

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- Orange, Orange County, California, Roll T625_123, Page 9B, ED: 71, Record for William B Wetherbee

Ancestry.com. *Massachusetts, Marriage Records, 1840-1915* [database on-line]. Provo, UT, USA: Ancestry.com Operations, Inc., 2013.

- Record for Lyman Chapin and Julia M Wetherbee

California, Death Index, 1905-1939. California Department of Health and Welfare. California Vital Records

- Record for William B Wetherbee
- Record for Mary C Wetherbee

Find A Grave, database and images - <https://www.findagrave.com>

- Memorial 7617601, Created by Eldora Sasser, Record for William Bostwick Wetherbee
- Memorial 7617602, Created by Eldora Sasser, Record for Mary Caroline *Everitt* Wetherbee
- Memorial 31207647, Created by Phyllis Gonska Bombard, Record for William Wetherbee
- Memorial 7495775, Created by Eldora Sasser, Record for Julia *Doan* Chapin
- Memorial 118112710, Created by Mia Houghton, Record for Lyman Chapin

Catalogue of Phi Alpha Society, Illinois College, Jacksonville, Illinois, June 1890

<http://www.archive.org/stream/18451890catalogu00illi#page/64/mode/2up/>

- Record for William Wetherbee
- Record for Mary Everett

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- Record for William Wetherbee
- Record for Julia Doan
- Record for Lyman Chapin

Western Veteran, Topeka, Kansas, Wednesday, October 13, 1894, Pg. 4, Col 5

- A Noble Trio- Three Civil War Comrades visit in Topeka, neighbors before the War
 - Capt. Horatio Chapin
 - Q.H. Chapin
 - William B Wetherbee

Santa Ana Register, Santa Ana, California, Friday, February 28, 1919, Pg. 5, Col 4

- Death Notice: Mrs. Mary C Wetherbee

Santa Ana Register, Santa Ana, California, Saturday, February 28, 1925, Pg. 2, Col 5

- Pioneer Resident of Orange Passes
 - William B Wetherbee age 80, resident of California for 30 years

Santa Ana Register, Santa Ana, California, Saturday, February 28, 1925, Pg. 3, Col 1

- Death Notice: William B Wetherbee