

OCCGS Civil War Veterans Project

Veteran's Information

Veteran's Name: James Robert WILSON

Birth Date: 11 November 1846

Location: New York

Death Date: 28 September 1914

Location: Santa Ana, Orange County, California

Buried at (Cemetery): Santa Ana Cemetery

Plot Location: V-12-6

GPS Coordinates: N33° 46' 02.26064" W117° 50' 25.53319"

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



Side Served: Union

Rank: Private

Battery: I

Unit: 1st Heavy Artillery Regiment

State: Minnesota

Occupation: Miner, Farmer, Carpenter

Family Information

Parents –

Father: John Wilson

Birth Date/Location: 3 March 1804, Ireland

Death Date/Location: 8 October 1886, Rice County, Minnesota

Mother: Hannah

Birth Date/Location: 12 January 1814, England

Death Date/Location: 4 January 1890, Rice County, Minnesota

Spouse: Ella Alice Chamberlain

Birth Date/Location: 10 December 1851, Illinois

Death Date/Location: 14 April 1935, Orange County, California

Marriage Date/Location: 21 December 1869, Goodhue County, Minnesota

Children –

Name: Arthur N. Wilson

Birth Date/Location: 15 February 1871, Minnesota

Death Date/Location: 8 January 1907, Orange County, California

Name: Edson T. Wilson

Birth Date/Location: abt. 1873, Minnesota

Death Date/Location: bef. 1900, unknown

Name: Harriet E. Wilson (Crump)

Birth Date/Location: 19 May 1875, Martin County, Minnesota

Death Date/Location: 7 October 1926, Orange County, California

Name: Clarence Henry Wilson

Birth Date/Location: 13 April 1878, Martin County, Minnesota

Death Date/Location: 4 January 1954, Orange County, California

Name: Minnie Maude Wilson (Coats)

Birth Date/Location: 25 September 1881, Minnesota

Death Date/Location: 22 December 1943, Los Angeles County, California

Name: George Putnam Wilson

Birth Date/Location: 28 August 1883, Minnesota

Death Date/Location: 24 August 1954, Orange County, California

Name: Frederick Leavi/Levi Wilson

Birth Date/Location: 1 December 1885, Northfield, Rice County, Minnesota

Death Date/Location: 7 November 1967, Orange County, California

Name: William W. Wilson

Birth Date/Location: 28 August 1887, Northfield, Rice County, Minnesota

Death Date/Location: 3 February 1972, Madera County, California

Name: Laura Bird Wilson (Doss)

Birth Date/Location: 6 March 1890, Minnesota

Death Date/Location: 8 May 1965, Sonoma County, California

Name: Percy James Wilson

Birth Date/Location: 14 October 1892, Minnesota

Death Date/Location: 7 February 1965, Orange County, California

Additional Information

Member of Sedgwick Post No 17, GAR – Post Commander

Enlisted 9 February 1865, mustered out 13 July 1865

Civil War Pension Index

Private, Co I, 1 Reg't Minn H Art

James R Wilson, invalid, 31 December 1899, 23 November 1908

Died 28 September 1914

Ella A Wilson, widow, 6 October 1914

Brother of John E Wilson, Co F, 8th Infantry Regiment Minnesota, a Civil War Veteran also buried in Orange County.

Photograph of tombstone for James R. Wilson, Santa Ana Cemetery, Orange County, California taken by Charles Lewis Beal, 4/11/2013. Used with the permission of Charles Beal.

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- Memorial 6433800, Created by Charlotte Coats, Record for Arthur N Wilson
- Memorial 6434366, Created by Charlotte Coats, Record for Hattie E Crump
- Memorial 9276445, Created by Eldora Sasser, Record for Clarence Henry Wilson
- Memorial 115078369, Created by Erice Wilcox, Record for Minnie Maude Coats
- Memorial 6433808, Created by Charlotte Coats, Record for George P Wilson
- Memorial 59374628, Created by Tony & Cindy Lloyd, Record for Percy J Wilson
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- Record for William W Wilson
- Record for Laura B Doss, Mother's Maiden Name: Chamberlain, birth state shows Michigan
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