

Civil War Veterans of Arenzville, IL

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Introduction

About a year ago, a visitor to the Memories of Arenzville group on Facebook asked me if I knew of a list of “Arenzville Civil War Veterans,” and I replied that I would do some research. That’s how the project started. My initial search produced about 55 names, but further research increased that number.

This project was motivated by the recognition that, in recent times, our local conversations and accounts of the past lack a full appreciation of those who served during the Civil War. These men answered a call to military service, and several of them did not come home. We have no right to let their names fall out of our community memory.

This year, as Memorial Day was approaching, I was preparing to drive back to Illinois from Atlanta, GA, when I remembered that some of the names of those men who were killed during active duty in the Civil War were soldiers who are buried outside of Illinois – in fact, I knew that a couple of those grave sites were on my way home. My visit to the graves of Henry Telkemeyer and James G. Fozzard further convinced me that the information about them and others must be gathered and shared. Those men rest so far from home. My wish is that their memory will always be a part of us.

I have tried to be inclusive in compiling this list, but at the same time, I needed to define some basis for which names to include. In many respects, compiling a list for the entire county would have been much simpler, but my purpose was to focus on Arenzville.

I recognize that this work is probably flawed and likely omits names which should be included. Likewise, I believe that some names on this list may also appear on lists of Civil War veterans of nearby communities such as Meredosia or Beardstown. But I do not know of any other list of Arenzville Civil War Veterans, and this is at least a starting point. If readers of this document would like to offer corrections or additions, I would welcome the suggestions. In the process of gathering information about these

men, I have also made additional notes and retained copies of some relevant articles about them, and I am happy to share with those who wish to make an inquiry. I can be contacted at this email address:

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Methodology

The purpose of this project was to compile a document which provides a list of men from Arenzville, IL, who served in the military during the Civil War, and to gather biographical information about them.

Two issues quickly became apparent: 1) how does one define the scope of the community, and 2) what data sources can be found to document a list of names which meet the defined criteria?

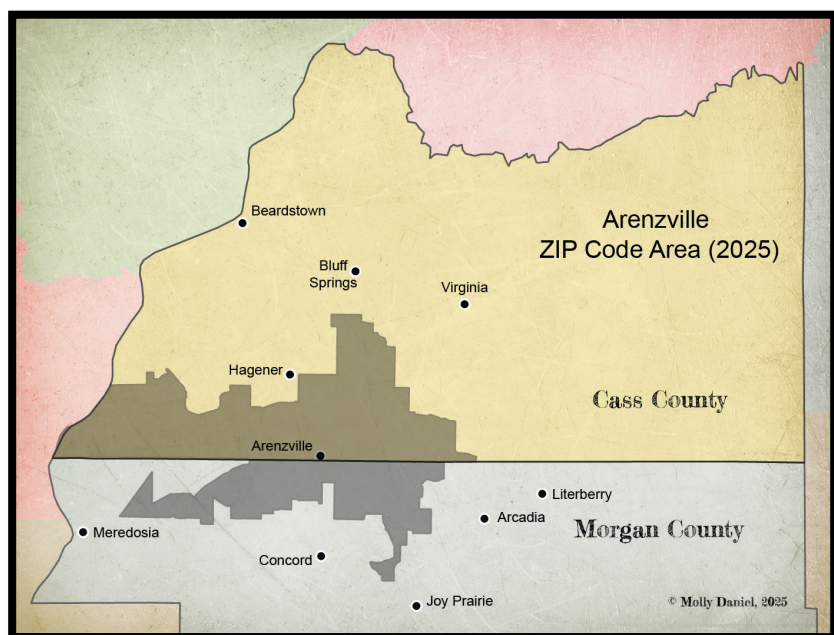
What constitutes Arenzville?

Arenzville is a rural community, consisting of the village of Arenzville (population around 500 persons in 1860 and 367 persons today, according to the 2020 federal census) and outlying areas. Applying a strictly literal definition of Arenzville as confined to the village's town limits would exclude more than half of the population which considers itself "from Arenzville." Like most rural towns, the community has many residents in the outlying areas who are also considered part of the community. For the purposes of this project, I have used a broader definition of the community.

Defining "greater Arenzville"

From my own personal experience, having grown up in the community, the geographic footprint of "greater Arenzville" extends in all directions from the town – to a point. It crosses the county line, and it isn't a symmetrical radius. Most residents have an instinctive feel for the approximate boundaries, though there is certainly room for debate. Too far west, and one enters Meredosia territory; too far north, Beardstown or Bluff Springs; too far east, Virginia (and Monroe, in earlier years); and too far south, Arcadia or Concord. But defining that nebulous concept in terms of geographic representation on a map can be as fraught with pitfalls as trying to pin down the date of the first Arenzville Burgoon.

The present-day (2025) map of Arenzville's ZIP code (62611) is a fair representation of contemporary thinking of the community's boundaries (see image), though some may take issue with its extending all the way to the Illinois River or hooking around to encompass Cracker's Bend. These were likely territorial decisions made by the postal delivery authorities which had less to do with

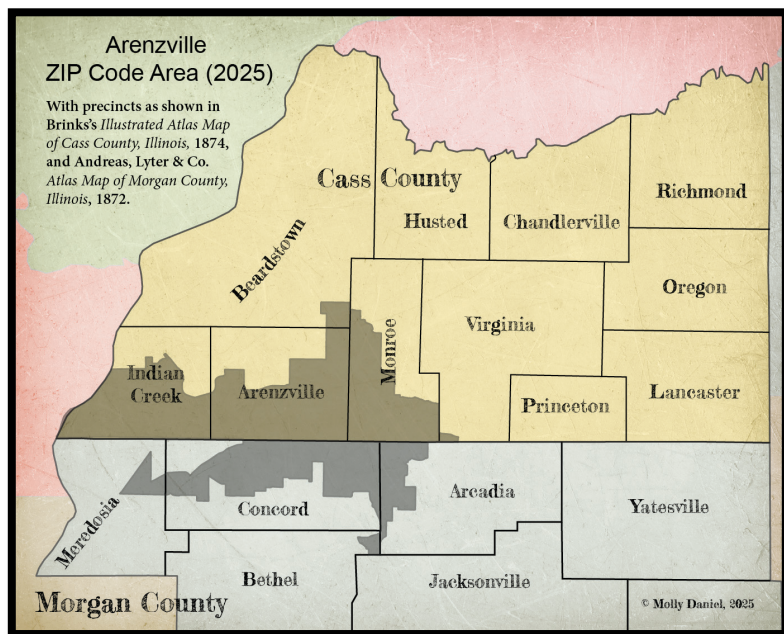


sentiment of community belonging and more to do with managing limited resources for mail delivery. According to the U.S. Census, the ZIP code region covers an area of 72.58 square miles and contains a population of 978 persons.

Of course, there was no such thing as a ZIP code in the 1860's, and very likely the northeastern boundary of what was considered "greater Arenzville" would not have extended as far as today's ZIP code map. Attitudes about the extent of Arenzville's community at the time would have been influenced by the relatively recent abandonment of the community of Monroe, which lay between Arenzville and Virginia and was inhabited from 1818 to 1842. Though it was no longer populated by the mid-19th century, residents still considered that part of the county as the "Monroe" community. Twenty years after its abandonment, some men from that area of the county still described their residence as "Monroe, Cass County, IL" when they enrolled in the military.

References for rural locations in those days also relied on the terminology of the federal survey townships (sometimes also called Congressional townships) or civil precincts. For example, the village of Arenzville lies in the southwestern corner of Township 17N, Range 11W of the 3rd Principal Meridian. This point is located

in the civil precinct of Arenzville. But residents living in the adjacent precincts – i.e., Indian Creek precinct, Beardstown precinct, and Monroe precinct in Cass County, or Meredosia precinct, Concord precinct and Arcadia precinct in Morgan County – might also claim they were residents of “Arenzville.”



These designations (as well as the slightly different federal township survey boundaries) are ones to keep in mind as one reviews the available records of Civil War veterans.

How do we determine if persons were from Arenzville?

To answer this question, we unfortunately must rely on imperfect information to determine facts as they were in 1860-1865. Even in those times, the population of the community was fluid and changing. In many cases, we simply do not have the benefit of complete records, though census records can be a starting point as a means to identify one's presence in the community.

The matter is not so simple as placing a dot on the map at the point of one's residence; sometimes belonging to the community was determined by where one's farmland or business lies or who one's parents (or spouse, or grandparents) were. Some young men were recent immigrants, working as hired hands for local farmers

and described in census records (*if* they could be found) as “lodgers” in a household which may or may not include their relatives.

Military records at the time often – but not always – recorded a man’s place of birth as well as his residence at the time of his entry into service. Following the war, some men who had not previously lived in the community moved to Arenzville and spent the remainder of their lives there.

Any of these points suggests belonging to the community. As a starting point for this list, then, three criteria were established for inclusion. If evidence was found to document that an individual met any one of these three conditions, his name was added to the list.

1. He was born in Arenzville.
2. He resided in Arenzville at the time he entered service.
3. He is buried in Arenzville.

In each instance the broader definition of “greater Arenzville,” as described above, is intended. Thus, someone born in the rural area near Arenzville would qualify; someone living on a farm near Arenzville around the time of the years of 1860-1865 or who stipulated “Arenzville” as his residence upon entry to service would qualify; and someone buried in one of several small private or family cemeteries near Arenzville would qualify.

This method will undoubtedly leave a few persons in a gray area – for example, on first glance, Edward Kuechler, born in Saxony and raised in Arenzville, does not meet any of the three criteria. Documents of his military service describe his residence as “Cass County, IL,” and he is buried in Rushville. But census records of 1860 and 1870 show that he resided in the Arenzville precinct in those years. Likewise, August Hansmeier (Hansmeyer) meets the criteria, but his brother Simon (Samuel), a Beardstown resident, does not. The same is true for the Ginder brothers – James R. Ginder is noted in the record as residing in Arenzville upon entry to service, but the record for his brother Frederick Ginder states that he resided in Concord.

Starting point

With some definitions established for what constitutes an “Arenzville” person, the next challenge is to identify sources which

document information about an individual as well as evidence of his military service during the Civil War.

Records of Civil War service were compiled by the Adjutant General in each state, and data from these records are publicly available in both print and digital formats. Several online databases exist, both free and subscriber-based. These databases can be searched by the location of the veteran's residence on entry to service (if it was specified). The exact search methodology may vary by database. Some are more user-friendly than others. To compile a starting list, I made a search of each of the following databases, specifying "Arenzville" in the field for "residence" (or "lived in" or "keyword" or "any event, location"). Additional searches were done later using locations such as "Indian Creek," "Monroe," "Meredosia," etc., and those lists were kept for cross-reference.

- Illinois Civil War Muster and Descriptive Rolls – Illinois State Archives (accessible at no cost on the Secretary of State's website; also accessible via Ancestry)
- Illinois Civil War Veterans of Missouri Units – Illinois State Archives (accessible at no cost on the Secretary of State's website; also accessible via Ancestry)
- U.S., Civil War Soldiers, 1861-1865 – (Ancestry; subscription required)
- U.S., Civil War Soldier Records and Profiles, 1861-1865 – (Ancestry; subscription required)
- U.S., Civil War Roll of Honor, 1861-1865 – (Ancestry; subscription required)
- American Civil War Research Database – (Historical Data Systems; subscription required)

Limitations: A man's residence upon entry to service was not always recorded or may not have been so specific as the name of the town. For many soldiers, only the county of their residence was recorded. In addition, the spelling of the town name was not always accurate. Searches uncovered, for example, instances of the soldier's residence recorded as "Arnesville" or "Aunzeville." Area residents who enlisted in the military in another state may not appear in database searches as Illinois residents. Fortunately, the Illinois Secretary of State's database also includes tools to search for Illinois residents who served in Missouri units, a

common occurrence for many men from the Meredosia and Chapin areas.

List compiled

Alphabetical lists of names from the above sources were created using an Excel spreadsheet. This permitted a comparison of the lists to identify duplicate names. These occur because of differences in the spelling of names as they were transcribed from hand-written records, and also because names of some men may appear twice if they re-enlisted.

Additional sources consulted

Additional sources were consulted to identify more names. Published county and local histories were consulted for lists of names of Civil War veterans associated with Arenzville. Specifically, these sources were used:

Perrin, William Henry. *History of Cass County, Illinois*. Chicago: O. L. Baskin & Co., 1882.

Bateman, Newton, Charles Æ. (Charles Aesop) Martin, and Paul Selby. *Historical Encyclopedia of Illinois: And History of Cass County*. Chicago: Munsell Pub. Co., 1915.

Lovekamp, Hester and Theodore. *A Local History Collection of Arenzville, Illinois*, self-published, 1989. (Note that this publication lists veterans buried in Arenzville cemeteries, but subsequent research showed that the list was incomplete and also several names of several persons for whom no record of military service could be found.)

Finally, each name was researched for additional information. This was done to confirm his identity and avoid confusion with others with identical names, as well as to confirm military service in the Civil War. Specifically, an attempt was made to identify the following information for each name:

- Birthplace
- Birth year (sometimes only an estimate could be made)
- Residence at enlistment
- Regiment in which he served
- Place of death
- Year of death
- Burial place
- Cemetery name

- Find-a-Grave listing number (if one exists)
- Spouse(s) (if any)

Various sources were consulted for this additional information. They include the following:

- U.S., Civil War Roll of Honor, 1861-1865 – (Ancestry) – Quartermaster General's Office. *Roll of Honor. Names of Soldiers Who Died in Defence of the American Union. Volumes VIII-XXVII.* Washington, D.C.: Government Printing Office, 1867.
- 1929 Illinois Roll of Honor – contains the locations of the burial places of soldiers, sailors, marines, and army nurses who served in any of the wars of the United States (prior to 1929) and are buried in Illinois. Note that it will include veterans from wars other than the Civil War and veterans whose death may not have occurred during active duty.
- U.S., Registers of Deaths of Volunteers, 1861-1865 – (Ancestry)
- U.S., Burial Registers, Military Posts and National Cemeteries, 1862-1960 – (Ancestry)
- U.S., Civil War Prisoner of War Records, 1861-1865 – (Ancestry)
- U.S., Civil War Pension Index: General Index to Pension Files, 1861-1934 – (Ancestry) This is an index only; not the full pension records.
- U.S., Civil War Draft Registrations Records, 1863-1865 – (Ancestry) – this database provides a list of men who are eligible for military service, grouped by the location of their residence. Those who are actively serving in the military or who have past military service are noted.
- 1890 Veterans Schedules of the U.S. Federal Census (accessible via Ancestry or Family Search)– this is a useful but limited resource. Nearly all of the schedules for the states of Alabama through Kansas and approximately half of those for Kentucky appear to have been destroyed before transfer of the remaining schedules to the

National Archives in 1943. In Illinois, records from Cook County and Henderson County survived.

1910 and 1930 federal census records – (accessible via Ancestry, census.gov or Family Search). Enumerated persons were asked if they were veterans. “UA” in the 1910 census denoted service in the Union Army, “UN” Union Navy, “CA” Confederate Army, and “CN” Confederate Navy. In the 1930 census, enumerators listed abbreviations for wars or expeditions, such as “WW” for World War I, “Sp” for the Spanish-American War, and “Civ” or “CW” for the Civil War. However, notation of the military service was often omitted, and these records alone are not sufficient evidence of service.

Obituaries and other published news items - consulted via Newspapers.com, Newspaperarchives.com (subscription services) and online newspaper databases available via community libraries.

Find-a-Grave Listings – this information was consulted as a secondary source for dates of birth/death and names of spouses. When a veteran's listing was identified, it was noted using his listing number, and the location and name of the cemetery were also recorded in compiled list.

The resulting list on the following pages includes 94 names, though two of these may be duplications.

Arenzville Civil War Veterans

† denotes he was killed or died during active duty

† Apple, August

Some databases say he mustered out in 1865 (i.e., survived the war), but he reenlisted and died of typhoid a few days after the surrender at Appomattox.

Birthplace/date: Germany; 1845

Residence when he entered service: Arenzville, IL

Unit: Co G, 34th IL Inf

Military note: Enlisted in 1861 and mustered in as a private, served the entire war; reenlisted veteran, he died 13 Apr 1865 of typhoid at Madison, IN. Rank: Sergeant.

Place of death: Madison, IN; 1865

Burial place: New Albany, IN

Cemetery: New Albany National Cemetery

Find-a-Grave listing # (if known): 53731341

Arenz, Albert W.

Son of the founder of the village of Arenzville, Albert entered service when he was about 17 years old. Following the war, he served as a circuit clerk for Cass County and a justice of the peace in Morgan County. After retiring from the county employment, he moved to Springfield and worked for a time in the State Treasurer's office.

Birthplace/date: Arenzville, IL; 1847

Residence when he entered service: Berlin, IL

Unit: Co D, 26th IL Inf

Military note: Enlisted Feb 1864; mustered out July 1865 at Louisville, KY. He served with the rank of musician.

Place of death: Jacksonville, IL; 1928

Burial place: Springfield, IL

Cemetery: Oak Ridge Cemetery

Find-a-Grave listing # (if known): 57936227

Spouse(s): Mary E. Rutledge(m. 1871 in Morgan County, IL)

Becker, Fred

Alt name: Frederick Baker. Older brother of John Becker, who also enlisted. They served in the same company. After the war, Fred farmed south of Arenzville (near Concord) for many years.

Birthplace/date: Wallenrod, Grand Duchy of Hesse (Germany); 1833

Residence when he entered service: Arenzville, IL

Unit: Co D, 154th IL Inf

Military note: Enlisted 14 Feb 1865; mustered out on 18 Sep 1865 at Nashville, TN

Place of death: Arenzville, IL; 1910

Burial place: Arenzville, IL

Cemetery: Arenzville East Cemetery

Find-a-Grave listing # (if known): 44212275

Spouse(s): Catherine Bahr or Beahr (m. 1861 in Cass County, IL)

Becker, John

Alt name: Baker. Younger brother of Fred Becker. After the war, he married and farmed for a time south of Arenzville and then later moved to Alexander, then Jacksonville, IL.

Birthplace/date: Germany; 1843

Residence when he entered service: Arenzville, IL

Unit: Co D, 154th IL Inf

Military note: Enlisted 14 Feb 1865; mustered out on 18 Sep 1865 at Nashville, TN

Place of death: Jacksonville, IL; 1927

Burial place: Jacksonville, IL

Cemetery: Diamond Grove Cemetery

Find-a-Grave listing # (if known): 119239481

Spouse(s): Juliana Thron (m. 1866 in Cass County, IL)

Bennett, Samuel

His pension record shows service in the 113th IL Inf and the 120th IL Inf. Post-war, he married and lived in the Meredosia region. His brother, James Bennett, described as a resident of Meredosia, served in a Missouri regiment (Co I, 11th MO Inf). Samuel may have been living with his daughter Laura Nairn in Crawford, KS, at the time of his death since he appears there in the 1925 KS state census.

Birthplace/date: Pike County, IL; 1845

Residence when he entered service: Arenzville, IL

Unit: D, 113th IL Inf;
Co D, 120 IL Inf

Military note: Enlisted in 1863 in IL 2nd Cav; also shown enlisting on the same date in the 113th IL Inf; transferred to Co D, 120th IL Inf.

Place of death: ; 1927

Burial place: Meredosia, IL

Cemetery: Oakland Cemetery

Find-a-Grave listing # (if known): 59193681

Spouse(s): Mary Ann Henderson (m. 1872 in Cass County, IL)

Birchlin, Charles

Information lacking to properly identify him.

Birthplace/date: ;

Residence when he entered service: Arenzville, IL

Unit: Co G, 18th IL Inf Con

Military note: Mustered in 2 Mar 1865 and mustered out 6 Sep 1865

Place of death: ;

Burial place:

Cemetery:

Find-a-Grave listing # (if known):

Blanford, James

Draft registration records for Cass County show him as a resident of Indian Creek precinct with prior military service. He later lived in Scott County, IL. He is the grandfather of J.A. Shannon who lived in Arenzville for years.

Birthplace/date: Scott County, IL; 1846

Residence when he entered service: Cass County, IL

Unit: Co A, 114th IL Inf

Military note: Enlisted in 1862; mustered out at Vicksburg, MS on 3 Aug 1865

Place of death: Beardstown, IL; 1896

Burial place: Meredosia, IL

Cemetery: Hodges Cemetery

Find-a-Grave listing # (if known): 107833888

Spouse(s): Mary J. Harris Stewart (m. 1871 in Morgan County, IL)

Bowyer, Mathew

A death notice for him notes that he was born near Arenzville. After the war, he married and lived near Arenzville. He later moved to Beardstown, where he ran a restaurant.

Birthplace/date: Arenzville, IL; 1837

Residence when he entered service: Arenzville, IL

Unit: Co G, 18 IL Inf Con

Military note: Corporal; mustered in 2 mar 1865; mustered out 16 Dec 1865 at Pine Bluff, AR

Place of death: Beardstown, IL; 1904

Burial place: Arenzville, IL

Cemetery: Arenzville East Cemetery

Find-a-Grave listing # (if known): 27476039

Spouse(s): Nancy Buck (m. 1861 in Cass County, IL);
Nancy Ann Bridgeman (m. 1883 in Morgan County, IL)

Brim, Peter

The Peter Brim who enlisted in 1862 was son of Nancy (Carter) and Elisha Brim, born in IL. He served in the 115th IL Inf. (Do not confuse him with a man of the same name who served in 10th IL Cav.) The 1929 Roll of Honor for Illinois shows Peter's brother, Curtiss Brim, d. 1874, served in Co I, 115th IL Inf., but his name does not appear on the rolls of that unit.)

Birthplace/date: Lagrange, Brown County, IL; 1841

Residence when he entered service: Arenzville, IL

Unit: Co I, 115th IL Inf

Military note: Mustered in 1862, Co I, 115th IL Inf; mustered out 11 Jun 1865 at Nashville, TN. In 1903, he was a resident of Danville veterans' home, discharged at his request. In 1904, he was admitted to the Quincy veterans' home. At time of his death, he did not have a known residence.

Place of death: Mount Sterling, IL; 1915

Burial place: Versailles, IL

Cemetery: Lavina Henry Cemetery

Find-a-Grave listing # (if known): 32232067

Buchamp, William

Alt name: Beauchamp?; lived in Arenzville township in 1863; haven't identified him.

Birthplace/date: ;

Residence when he entered service:

Unit:

Military note:

Place of death: ;

Burial place:

Cemetery:

Find-a-Grave listing # (if known):

Buck, Albert

After the war, he married and farmed near Arenzville until he was injured in an accident; thereafter he gave up farming and moved to Arenzville, where he opened a grocery store. Around 1875, he moved to Chandlerville.

Birthplace/date: Beardstown, IL; 1840

Residence when he entered service: Arenzville, IL

Unit: Co K, 101st IL Inf

Military note: Enlisted in 1862; mustered out at Bladensburg, MD, in 1865.

Place of death: Cass County, IL; 1901

Burial place: Virginia, IL

Cemetery: Clark Cemetery

Find-a-Grave listing # (if known): 65156778

Spouse(s): Sarah Naomi Stanley (m. 1868, in Cass County, IL)

Carney, Francis S.

He cited Arenzville as his residence when he entered service; appears in the Morgan County Draft Registration rolls as "Samuel Corney," a resident of Concord precinct on active duty with the 115th IL Inf; appears in the 1870 federal census as "Frank Corney," living near Concord, IL. He purchased land in Oregon in 1893. Some records state he was born in Louisiana.

Birthplace/date: Ireland; 1832

Residence when he entered service: Arenzville, IL

Unit: Co G, 18th IL Inf Con

Military note: Enlisted in Mar 1865 and mustered out in Dec 1865 at Pine Bluff, AR

Place of death: Pilot Rock, OR; 1897

Burial place: Pilot Rock, OR

Cemetery: Pilot Rock Cemetery

Find-a-Grave listing # (if known): 42412521

Spouse(s): Nancy Leonora Andrus (m. 1858 in Cass County, IL); Martha S. Perry (m. 1866 in Cass County, IL)

Clark, John S.

Entered service in 1862; described in muster rolls as "married"; was wounded at Chickamauga; transferred to the invalid corps then Veteran Reserve Corps

Birthplace/date: St. Clair County, AL; 1833

Residence when he entered service: Arenzville, IL

Unit: Co I, 115th IL Inf

Military note: wounded at Chickamauga 20 Sep 1863; discharged for disability at Nashville on 25 May 1865.

Place of death: Monroe, WA; 1910

Burial place: Monroe, WA

Cemetery: Odd Fellows Cemetery

Find-a-Grave listing # (if known): 13866877

Spouse(s): Francis E. Clarkson (m. 1857 in Adams County, IL)

Coffield, Alfred H.

The muster rolls describe Alfred as "married, mechanic" on his entry to service. He lived and farmed near Arenzville for a short time after the war and then moved to Nebraska. His son, J. Heywood Coffield, was professor of Arenzville school when it graduated its first class in 1890.

Birthplace/date: Bertie County, NC; 1840

Residence when he entered service: Arenzville, IL

Unit: Co B, 101st IL Inf

Military note: Mustered in Sep 1862; discharged 25 Jun 1864 with disability

Place of death: Thayer, KS; 1919

Burial place: Thayer, KS

Cemetery: Thayer Cemetery

Find-a-Grave listing # (if known): 21217068

Spouse(s): Esther Wagle (m. 1862 in Cass County, IL); Cynthia Wagle Buck (m. 1908 in Cass County, IL)

Divver, Joseph

A 1903 account of a soldiers' reunion near Arcadia, notes that he was present and had served in Co E, 63rd IN Inf. He was a brother-in-law to James R. Ginder (both married McFaddens).

Birthplace/date: Ohio; 1841

Residence when he entered service: Cass County, IL

Unit: Co E, 63 IN Inf

Military note: Served in an Indiana regiment; In 1902, resident of the Illinois Soldiers and Sailors Home (Quincy) for a time.

Place of death: Arenzville, IL; 1916

Burial place: Arenzville, IL

Cemetery: Arenzville East Cemetery

Find-a-Grave listing # (if known): 44857991

Spouse(s): Mary McFadden (m. 1870 in Morgan County, IL)

Dunn, John

Insufficient information to identify him properly.

Birthplace/date: Arkansas; 1845

Residence when he entered service: Arenzville, IL

Unit: Co D, 113th IL Inf

Military note: Mustered in 30 Nov 1863; transferred to Co A, 120th IL in 1865.

Place of death: ;

Burial place:

Cemetery:

Find-a-Grave listing # (if known):

Duval, Henry

Muster rolls describe him as "single, farmer." His death notice in a Harrison, MO, newspaper states "he was bereft of his eyesight soon after the civil war."

Birthplace/date: Beardstown, IL; 1841

Residence when he entered service: Arenzville, IL

Unit: Co I, 115th IL Inf

Military note: Enlisted in 1862; mustered out at Camp Harker, Nashville, TN on 11 Jun 1865.

Place of death: East Lynne, MO; 1909

Burial place: Gunn City, MO

Cemetery: Gunn City Cemetery

Find-a-Grave listing # (if known): 40523911

Spouse(s): Jane Byler Gray (m. 1870)

Filey, William H.

He served in infantry units in both Missouri and Illinois. Veteran datas describe him as a deserter in 1865 when he failed to return from furlough to Meredosia, but this could be an error. He applied for an invalid's pension in 1887, and the record shows service in both MO and IL companies. His grave marker shows service in the "11th IL Inf," but this does not agree with other records. He lived in Bath, IL, for a few years after his marriage.

Birthplace/date: Morgan County, IL; 1840

Residence when he entered service: Meredosia, IL

Unit: Co I, 11th MO Inf;

Co D, 113th IL Inf

Military note: Records for the 11th MO Inf show he entered service 30 Jul 1861; from July through Oct 1862, he was on the hospital rolls; he was discharged at Lagrange, TN on 25 Nov 1862. He mustered in to the 113th IL Inf in Jan 1864; records state he deserted while on furlough at Meredosia, IL in Nov 1864. His veteran's grave marker cites service in the "11th IL Inf," but rolls do not show a person who matches his information in that regiment. Undocumented transfer?

Place of death: Arenzville, IL; 1917

Burial place: Arenzville, IL

Cemetery: Arenzville East Cemetery

Find-a-Grave listing # (if known): 27476514

Spouse(s): Emma Caroline Dyche (m. 1878 in Morgan County, IL)

Fox, Martin

He appears in the 1860 federal census living in Arenzville in the household of a family named Howell. He appears as "Martin Ficks" in the 1863 Draft Registration rolls of Cass County as a man living in Arenzville township and with prior military service.

Birthplace/date: Hesse, Germany; 1838

Residence when he entered service: Arenzville, IL

Unit: Co B, 101st IL Inf

Military note: Mustered in 1862; mustered out at Bladensburg, MD, on 7 Jun 1865.

Place of death: Virginia, IL; 1893

Burial place: Virginia, IL

Cemetery: Walnut Ridge Cemetery

Find-a-Grave listing # (if known): 178462687

Spouse(s): Pairlee Cox (m. 1866 in Cass County, IL)

† Fozzard, James B

His parents, Thomas Fozzard and Mary C. Bardsley, were immigrants from England. Muster rolls describe him as "single, farmer."

Birthplace/date: Arenzville, IL; 1844

Residence when he entered service: Arenzville, IL

Unit: Co K, 101st IL Inf

Military note: Enlisted 7 Aug 1862; died at Bridgeport, AL on 3 May 1864.

Place of death: Bridgeport, AL; 1864

Burial place: Chattanooga, TN

Cemetery: Chattanooga National Cemetery

Find-a-Grave listing # (if known): 2980465

Fricke, Herman

Alt name: Frickey; military record gives his birthplace as "Osnaberg, Germany," but other records suggest it was actually Harpenfeld, a place near Osnabrück. Appears in 1863 Draft Registration rolls as a veteran living in Arenzville township, Cass County, IL, with service experience in the 115th IL Inf.

Birthplace/date: Osnabrück, Germany; 1840

Residence when he entered service: Arenzville, IL

Unit: Co I, 115 IL Inf

Military note: Enlisted Aug 1862; mustered out on 11 Jun 1865 at Camp Harker, TN

Place of death: Corder, MO; 1908

Burial place: Corder, MO

Cemetery: Zion Lutheran Cemetery

Find-a-Grave listing # (if known): 115988074

Spouse(s): Louise Helen Oetgen (m. 1866 in Cass County, IL)

Ginder, James R.

He was the son of German immigrants who first settled near Beardstown. His older brother, Frederick W. Ginder, enrolled in the 101st IL Inf in 1862, citing Concord, IL, as his residence. James cited Arenzville as his residence when he entered service.

Birthplace/date: Illinois; 1846

Residence when he entered service: Arenzville, IL

Unit: Co G, 18th IL Inf Con

Military note: Enlisted in Feb 1865 and mustered out at Pine Bluff, AR in Dec 1865

Place of death: Arcadia, IL; 1914

Burial place: Arcadia, IL

Cemetery: Arcadia Cemetery

Find-a-Grave listing # (if known): 84993906

Spouse(s): Sarah McFadden (m. 1875 in Morgan County, IL)

Green, George W.

A George was a younger brother of William Jackson Green and James Riley Green (Jacksonville). James R. was a captain of Co G, 18th IL Consolidated. George resided in Arenzville at the time he entered service. After the war, he worked on his father's farm and was employed by the railroad. For a brief time, he was hospitalized at the veterans' home in Quincy. He died in Detroit, MI, where his daughter lived, and he is buried in Beardstown.

Birthplace/date: Morgan County, IL; 1849

Residence when he entered service: Arenzville, IL

Unit: Co G, 18th IL Inf Con

Military note: Entered service Mar 1865 and mustered out Dec 1865

Place of death: Detroit, MI; 1908

Burial place: Beardstown, IL

Cemetery: Oak Grove Cemetery

Find-a-Grave listing # (if known): 26230223

Spouse(s): Catherine K. Durham (m. 1870 in Cass County, IL)

Green, William Jackson

An older brother of George W. Green. After the war, he married, raised a large family, and farmed near Arenzville.

Birthplace/date: Concord, IL; 1844

Residence when he entered service: Concord, IL

Unit: Co B, 101st IL Inf

Military note: Mustered out as Corporal; sick at Raleigh, NC since 29 Apr 1865. Mustered out 29 May 1865 at New York Harbor.

Place of death: Arenzville, IL; 1923

Burial place: Arenzville, IL

Cemetery: Arenzville East Cemetery

Find-a-Grave listing # (if known): 26230074

Spouse(s): Theresa Katherine Ciré (m. 1868 in Cass County, IL)

Ham, Robert W.

Entered service as a substitute for Henry Schneider; IL Civil War Soldiers database records his residence at enlistment as "Arnesville, Pike County, IL."

Birthplace/date: Illinois; 1847

Residence when he entered service: Arenzville, IL

Unit: Co G, 34th IL Inf

Military note: Mustered in late in the war to Co G, 34th IL, but is not shown in the roster in the regiment history. Mustered out at Louisville, KY (served 3 months)

Place of death: ;

Burial place:

Cemetery:

Find-a-Grave listing # (if known):

Hansmeier, August

Emigrated to the U.S. from Germany with his father and brothers at the age of 4; surname sometimes appears as "Hansmeyer," but the spelling "Hansmeier" is used on his grave marker. His brother, Simon Hansmeier, entered service from Cass County, IL, and they served in the same company. Both were captured and held at Andersonville.

Birthplace/date: Germany; 1844

Residence when he entered service: Cass County, IL

Unit: Co A, 114th IL Inf

Military note: Enlisted in 1862; severely wounded in the right foot which was amputated; imprisoned at Brice's Crossroads, MS, on 10 Jun 1864; was exchanged and discharged with wounds on 20 Jun 1865.

Place of death: Jacksonville, IL; 1926

Burial place: Arenzville, IL

Cemetery: Hackman Cemetery

Find-a-Grave listing # (if known): 88728193

Spouse(s): Anna or Hannah Kruse (m. 1866 in Cass County, IL)

Heidbrinker, Henry

Muster rolls describe him as "single, farmer."

Birthplace/date: Germany; 1837

Residence when he entered service: Arenzville, IL

Unit: Co G, 34th IL Inf

Military note: Wounded at Shiloh on 7 Apr 1862 (loss of right hand); discharged for wounds on 7 Jul 1862 at St Louis, MO

Place of death: Minnesota; 1919

Burial place: St. Paul, MN

Cemetery: Oakland Cemetery

Find-a-Grave listing # (if known): 216675788

Spouse(s): Louise C. Bartelheim (m. 1884, Piatt County, IL)

Heinz, Edward

An early settler in Arenzville, he had a university education from Giessen University in Germany and began work as a cooper in Beardstown after his immigration. He also worked on the farm of Dr. Georg Engelbach and had a harness shop and saloon in Arenzville. His military experience (serving as a musician in various infantry units) was already extensive when he entered service for the Civil War. He was among the oldest of Arenzville soldiers to serve in the war.

Birthplace/date: Gladenbach, Grand Duchy of Hesse (Germany); 1827

Residence when he entered service: Arenzville, IL

Unit: Bugler, 14th IL Inf

Military note: Prior military service in the regular army and in the Mexican War (1846-48), 115th IL Inf

Place of death: Beardstown, IL; 1905

Burial place: Beardstown, IL

Cemetery: St. Alexius Catholic Cemetery

Find-a-Grave listing # (if known): 87510820

Spouse(s): Caroline Walt or Wald (m. 1852, Hamilton County, OH); Mary Louisa Berhold Arenz (m. aft 1868 in Cass County, IL); Mary Doolin (m. 1877 in St. Louis, MO)

Heitz, Joseph

Family oral history is that Joseph and his "twin brother" Frank served in the same unit.

Birthplace/date: Germany; 1839

Residence when he entered service: Arenzville, IL

Unit: Co K, 27th IL Inf

Military note: Enlisted 1861; wounded at Missionary Ridge, TN, on 25 Nov 1863; mustered out 20 Sep 1864 at Camp Butler, IL.

Place of death: Ord, NE; 1917

Burial place: Ord, NE

Cemetery: Ord Cemetery

Find-a-Grave listing # (if known): 61772229

Spouse(s): Eudora Warren (m. 1865 in Mason County, IL)

Heitz, Sopher

Alt name: Sopha Franklin Heitz or Franklin S. Heitz (possibly originally Franz Xavier in German). Do not confuse him with a younger relative by the same name.

Birthplace/date: Germany; 1840

Residence when he entered service: Arenzville, IL

Unit: Co K, 27th IL Inf; Co G, 9th IL Inf

Military note: Entered service in 1861 into Co K, 27th IL Inf; transferred out on 20 Sep 1864 to Co G, 9th IL Inf

Place of death: Beardstown, IL; 1912

Burial place: Beardstown, IL

Cemetery: Oak Grove Cemetery

Find-a-Grave listing # (if known): 45024088

Spouse(s): Arthusa Jane Wagle (m. 1865 in Cass County, IL)

Hofferberth, George

Alt name: Hofferbert; Hafferbert. In 1860, he and Martin Fox are shown in the same household of a Howell family living in Arenzville. He married before entering service, and while he was away, a daughter born to him and Margaret Smith died. Margaret died a few years after George mustered out. He later remarried and moved to Sedalia, MO.

Birthplace/date: Germany; 1836

Residence when he entered service: Arenzville, IL

Unit: Co B, 101st IL Inf

Military note: Entered service in 1862; mustered out as corporal on 7 Jun 1865 at Washington, DC

Place of death: Sedalia, MO; 1921

Burial place: Sedalia, MO

Cemetery: Crown Hill Cemetery

Find-a-Grave listing # (if known): 90186479

Spouse(s): Margaret A. Smith (m. 1861 in Morgan County, IL); Anna Cook (m. 1873 in Cass County, IL)

Hoffman, George

Name appears in the 1863 Draft Registration rolls as a man living in Arenzville township with prior military service.

Birthplace/date: Germany; 1841

Residence when he entered service: Cass County, IL

Unit: Co A, 14th IL Inf

Military note: Entered service in 1862; mustered out at Vicksburg, MS on 3 Aug 1865.

Place of death: Beardstown, IL; 1918

Burial place: Beardstown, IL

Cemetery: Beardstown City Cemetery

Find-a-Grave listing # (if known): 54668470

Spouse(s): Elizabeth Schuman (m. 1868 in Cass County, IL)

† Jackson, Elijah

Name appears in the 1863 Draft Registration rolls as a man living in Arenzville township with prior military service (but he was missing in action at the time)

Birthplace/date: Troy, Indiana; 1837

Residence when he entered service: Arenzville, IL

Unit: Co I, 115th IL Inf

Military note: Entered service 1862; wounded; missing in action at Chickamauga, GA 30 Sep 1863. No additional record; presumed dead. No known burial place.

Place of death: ; 1863

Burial place:

Cemetery:

Find-a-Grave listing # (if known):

Spouse(s): Louisa Yeck (m. 1861 in Cass County, IL)

Jackson, George

Served in Indiana and Illinois units; his relation, if any, to the other Jackson family who settled near Arenzville is not clear.

Birthplace/date: Rockport, IN; 1844

Residence when he entered service: Arenzville, IL

Unit: Co C, 6th IL Cav; Co B, 65th IN Inf; Co F, 120th IN Inf

Military note: First enlisted in IL in 1861; reenlisted in IN in 1863; mustered out 8 Jan 1866

Place of death: Missoula, MT; 1908

Burial place: Missoula, MT

Cemetery: Missoula Cemetery

Find-a-Grave listing # (if known): 84560576

Spouse(s): Louise Dougherty or Daughery (m. bef. 1866)

Jackson, Milton

Alt name: John Milton Jackson; brother to Thomas Jackson

Birthplace/date: Arenzville, IL; 1847

Residence when he entered service: Arenzville, IL

Unit: Co D, 113th IL Inf

Military note: Enlisted in 1863, mustered out at Memphis on 20 Jun 1865, specifying his residence as Meredosia, IL.

Place of death: New Grand Chain, IL; 1926

Burial place: New Grand Chain, IL

Cemetery: Grand Chain Masonic Cemetery

Find-a-Grave listing # (if known): 89891060

Spouse(s): Mary Elizabeth (Mollie) Burrus (m. 1871)

Jackson, Thomas

Brother to John Milton Jackson; on draft registration rolls in 1863 as a resident of Indian Creek precinct (Cass County), IL. He specified Meredosia as his residence when he entered service.

Birthplace/date: Beardstown, IL; 1840

Residence when he entered service: Meredosia, IL

Unit: Co I, 115th IL Inf

Military note: Enlisted in 1862; mustered out 13 Sep 1865 at Camp Harker, TN.

Place of death: Fairmount, KS; 1904

Burial place: Fairmount, KS

Cemetery: Glenwood Cemetery

Find-a-Grave listing # (if known): 39441511

Spouse(s): Louisa Yeck (m. 1867 in Cass County, IL) - she was widow of Elijah Jackson

Karr, Peter

Single; musician; mustered out for disability. He and William Stauff were the oldest among the men with Arenzville ties who served during the Civil War.

Insufficient information to further identify him.

Birthplace/date: Ireland; 1818

Residence when he entered service: Arenzville, IL

Unit: Co B, 101st IL Inf

Military note: Entered service Aug 1862; discharged Dec 1863 at Mound City, IL for disability.

Place of death: ;

Burial place:

Cemetery:

Find-a-Grave listing # (if known):

Kenworthy, Joseph S.

His grave marker in Kansas is a cenotaph. He may have died in Illinois. His widow filed for a pension in 1874; she remarried at Arenzville around 1875; George Charlesworth, the guardian of an unspecified minor filed for benefits in 1884.

Birthplace/date: Meltham, Yorkshire, England; 1841

Residence when he entered service: Arenzville, IL

Unit: Co B, 101st IL Inf

Military note: Entered service Aug 1862; discharged Oct 1863 at Columbus, KY for disability.

Place of death: ; 1874

Burial place: La Cygne, KS

Cemetery: Oaklawn Cemetery

Find-a-Grave listing # (if known): 178516681

Spouse(s): Judith A White (m. 1866 in Cass County, IL)

Kircher, Henry A.

Born in Arenzville, son of Joseph Kircher and Augusta Berchermann. His father operated a hardware business with Henry Goedecking in Arenzville until about 1848, when they moved to Belleville, IL, and continued the business there. Henry enlisted in the Union Army at Belleville in a 3-month enlistment with the 9th IL Inf. He then reenlisted with the 12th MO Infantry and rose to the rank of captain and was severely wounded in battle at Ringgold, GA. Following the war, he lived in Belleville where he served as mayor from 1877 to 1878, was also a circuit clerk, county recorder, and director of Belleville Savings Bank. His war letters and diary excerpts are published in a book, *A German in the Yankee Fatherland*, ed. Earl J. Hess, Kent State University Press, 1983.

Birthplace/date: Arenzville, IL; 1841

Residence when he entered service: Belleville, IL

Unit: Co A, 9th IL Inf; Cos A,C,K and E, 12th MO Inf

Military note: Entered service in Apr 1861 and mustered into Co A, 9th IL Inf; mustered out in July 1861; reenlisted in 12th MO Inf as Sgt. in Co A. Was promoted to acting 2nd Lt of Co A in Jan 1862; 2nd Lt of Co K, Mar 1862; 1st Lt of Co K in Sep 1862; Capt in Sep 1863. He was in battles at Pea Ridge, Vicksburg, and Chattanooga. He was severely wounded in the Battle of Ringgold, GA on 27 Nov 1863. His left leg and right arm were amputated as a result of his wounds. Mustered out 3 Sep 1864.

Place of death: Belleville, IL; 1908

Burial place: Belleville, IL

Cemetery: Walnut Hill Cemetery

Find-a-Grave listing # (if known): 125989281

Spouse(s): Bertha Engelman (m. 1880 in St. Clair County, IL)

Klinstiber, George F.

Muster rolls describe him as "single, farmer" when he entered service. After the war, he married and farmed in Cass County for several years before moving to Kansas.

Birthplace/date: Germany; 1840

Residence when he entered service: Arenzville, IL

Unit: Co C, 3rd IL Cav

Military note: Entered service in 1861; mustered out as corporal in 1864.

Place of death: Winfield, KS; 1923

Burial place: Winfield, KS

Cemetery: Union-Graham Cemetery

Find-a-Grave listing # (if known): 14960515

Spouse(s): Maria Mary Rahe (m. 1864 in Cass County, IL)

Kraft, William

He emigrated from Germany with his parents as a child. After the war, he married and settled near Arenzville and was a farmer. His wife was a sister to the wife of Edward Kuechler.

Birthplace/date: Germany; 1845

Residence when he entered service: Arenzville, IL

Unit: Co G, 18th IL Inf Con

Military note: Entered service Mar 1865 and mustered out Dec 1865 at Pine Bluff, AR

Place of death: Arenzville, IL; 1909

Burial place: Arenzville, IL

Cemetery: Arenzville East Cemetery

Find-a-Grave listing # (if known): 45542533

Spouse(s): Adelia Wankel (m. 1870 in Cass County, IL)

Kuechler, Edward

Note that he is found in some databases with the spelling of "Kenchler," which was a mistranscription of his surname. The muster rolls describe him as "single, farmer" and a resident of Cass County, IL. Census records of 1860 and 1870 show that he resided in the Arenzville precinct in those years, a fact also noted in his obituary. He was a brother-in-law to Christian Triebert. After his marriage in Arenzville in 1871, he moved to Rushville and was a revered member of that community for many years, participating in veterans' functions until his later years.

Birthplace/date: Saxony; 1841

Residence when he entered service: Arenzville, IL

Unit: Co A, 114th IL Inf

Military note: Entered service in Aug 1863; wounded at Vicksburg, MS, on 19 May 1863; discharged with wounds at St. Louis, MO, on 19 Dec 1863.

Place of death: Rushville, IL; 1930

Burial place: Rushville, IL

Cemetery: Rushville City Cemetery

Find-a-Grave listing # (if known): 0

Spouse(s): Emma Wankel (m. 1871 in Cass County, IL)

Leonard, George W.

The muster rolls describe him as a shoemaker. After the war, he returned to Cass County, married and farmed in Township 17.

Birthplace/date: Illinois; 1841

Residence when he entered service: Arenzville, IL

Unit: Co G, 18th IL Inf Con

Military note: Joined 11 Mar 1865; mustered out 4 Oct 1865 at Memphis, TN.

Place of death: Virginia, IL; 1917

Burial place: Virginia, IL

Cemetery: Walnut Ridge Cemetery

Find-a-Grave listing # (if known): 102874405

Spouse(s): Eliza Adaline Long (m. 1875 in Morgan County, IL)

Mains, James

Alt name: Main or Maine. After the war, he lived for a short time in Cass County and farmed, then moved to Kansas. Based on information gathered (so far) for this list of Arenzville Civil War veterans, at the time of his death, he was the last surviving Civil War veteran with ties to Arenzville. He was a half-brother to Alexander Robertson, also a Civil War veteran.

Birthplace/date: Scotland; 1842

Residence when he entered service: Arenzville, IL

Unit: Co K, 101st IL Inf

Military note: Mustered out on 7 Jun 1865 at Washington, DC.

Place of death: Oskaloosa, KS; 1934

Burial place: Oskaloosa, KS

Cemetery: Pleasant View Cemetery

Find-a-Grave listing # (if known): 94141933

Spouse(s): Ellen Dick, m. 1871 in Cass Co, IL

Mathews, Benjamin C

Brother to Franklin E. Mathews. He is described in the muster rolls as "single, farmer." He moved to the state of Washington in 1882.

Birthplace/date: Arenzville, IL; 1839

Residence when he entered service: Arenzville, IL

Unit: Co K, 101st IL Inf

Military note: Entered service in Aug 1862; discharged Dec 1863 for disability

Place of death: Portland, OR; 1917

Burial place: Portland, OR

Cemetery: Lone Fir Pioneer Cemetery

Find-a-Grave listing # (if known): 65388079

Spouse(s): Anna Wood (m. 1866 in Morgan County, IL)

† Mathews, Franklin E

Brother to Benjamin C. Mathews; grave marker at Greenwood-Crum Cemetery, Arcadia, IL, is likely a cenotaph. It is believed that his remains are actually buried in the Memphis National Cemetery.

Birthplace/date: Arenzville, IL; 1844

Residence when he entered service: Arenzville, IL

Unit: Co K, 101st IL Inf

Military note: Entered service in Aug 1862; died at Memphis on 3 Feb 1863 from inflammation of lungs. Roll of Honor record shows original burial (of an " E E Mathews," in the same company, and death recorded on 4 Feb 1863) at Elmwood Cemetery, Memphis; final burial at Mississippi River National Cemetery (now known as Memphis National Cemetery), Memphis, TN, but as an "unknown."

Place of death: Memphis, TN; 1863

Burial place: Arcadia, IL

Cemetery: Greenwood-Crum Cemetery

Find-a-Grave listing # (if known): 108012019

Meyer, Carl Edward

Alt name: Theodor Meyer. Shown as "Theodor Meyer" in Cass County Draft Registration as a man living in Arenzville township with prior service in 114th IL Inf. The rolls of this regiment show an "Edward Meyer" from Beardstown. Pension record uses the surname "Meyers," and IL state death record uses the surname "Myers." Grave marker reads "Edward Meyer."

Birthplace/date: Minden, Prussia; 1843

Residence when he entered service: Cass County, IL

Unit: Co A, 114th IL Inf

Military note: Entered service in 1862; taken prisoner 10 Jun 1864 at Brice's Crossroads, MS, and was sent to Andersonville. Mustered out at Springfield, IL, on 1 Jul 1865. Andersonville record says he was captured at Gunntown, MS, and also held at Camp Cahaba, AL; "sent to Millen [GA], 31 Oct 1864; exchanged 1 Apr 1865."

Place of death: near Alexander, IL; 1886

Burial place: Beardstown, IL

Cemetery: Oak Grove Cemetery

Find-a-Grave listing # (if known): 51925383

Spouse(s): Catherine Kienast (or Keniss, Kniss, Ginnes, etc), m. 1865 in Cass County, IL

Meyer, Henry C.

The military record describes him as "single, farmer" at enlistment. There are multiple men named Henry Meyer who were contemporaries and living in Cass County around this time, but the Henry C. Meyer who served in G Co of the 34th IL Infantry is the man who is buried in Perry, OK. Based on a biosketch of an older brother, Christian L. Meyer, their parents were Frederick and Charlotte (Klemen or Klamen) Meyer. The father died in Germany, and the mother remarried to Charles Finke and emigrated in 1854. Being the older son, Henry may have emigrated earlier, though according to the 1900 federal census, he arrived in 1857. By 1861, he was living in Cass County, where he enlisted in the Union Army. After the war, he married and farmed near Arenzville and Virginia, IL. In 1903, he bought land near Perry, OK, and he and his wife moved there to take up farming/ranching.

Birthplace/date: Kingdom of Hannover (Germany); 1839

Residence when he entered service: Arenzville, IL

Unit: Co G, 34th IL Inf

Military note: Entered service in 1861; reenlisted as a veteran; mustered out as corporal in 1865 at Louisville, KY. IL

Place of death: Perry, OK; 1911

Burial place: Perry, OK

Cemetery: Grace Hill Cemetery

Find-a-Grave listing # (if known): 27115233

Spouse(s): Mary A. Wedeking (m. 1866 in Cass County, IL)

Meyer, William

Shown in Cass County Draft Registration as a man living in Arenzville township with prior service in 11th IL Inf. A "William C. Myers" entered service of Co C, 11th IL Inf on 17 Aug 1861, claiming residence of Marion County, IL, and mustered out due to disability on 15 Jan 1862. Other records show he was born in Centralia, IL. The 1929 Illinois Roll of Honor shows a William Meyer, unit not specified, buried in Oak Grove Cemetery, Beardstown, IL. Oak Grove FAG listings do not show a William Meyer, but they do show a "William Myers," 1832-1907, who served in Co H, 32 OH Inf., and was a Beardstown resident for 20 years prior to his death. This is likely not the man in the IL Roll of Honor since his service was in Ohio.

Birthplace/date: ; 1839

Residence when he entered service:

Unit: 11th IL Inf

Military note:

Place of death: ;

Burial place:

Cemetery:

Find-a-Grave listing # (if known):

Meyer, William

US Headstone applications for veterans shows application for a stone for William Meyer (applied under name William Frederick Mier), Corporal, Co E, 82nd IL Inf, died 12 July 1903 [sic] and to be buried in the "Linker Church cemetery at Arenzville, IL." (this is St. Peter's Lutheran Church cemetery) The consignee on the application was Bob Heirman. However, no burial which fits that death date is found at St. Peter's cemetery. It is presumed that the application for the grave marker had erroneous information and that it was intended for Frederick William Meyer buried at that cemetery. A pension file for the William Meyer who served in Co E, 82nd IL Inf. shows an "Elizabeth Meyer" requested a widow's pension in 1895.

The rolls of Co E, 82nd IL Inf. show a "William Mayer" who stated his residence was Bloomington, IL, when he entered service. He was single, a farmer, about age 28.

Birthplace/date: Germany; 1834

Residence when he entered service: Bloomington, IL

Unit: Co E, 82nd IL Inf

Military note: Mustered in 26 Sep 1862; mustered out at Washington, DC, on 9 Jun 1865.

Place of death: Arenzville, IL; 1892

Burial place: Arenzville, IL

Cemetery: St. Peter's Cemetery

Find-a-Grave listing # (if known): 26092626

Spouse(s): Carolina Talkemeyer (m. 1867 in Cass County, IL); Cornelia Peringer (m. 1880 in Schuyler County, IL); Elizabeth Geis (m. 1885 in Schuyler County, IL)

Miller, John R.

IL Civil War Veterans database indicates his occupation as "farmer" on 1862 enlistment, and "printer" with 1865 enlistment. Records from Dayton, OH, disabled veterans home indicates a John R. Miller, "editor" with matching details, admitted in 1884 and discharged in 1893. Veterans home record indicates residence of Saverton, MO, and wife named "Mary L." Marriage record and widow pension application confirm a second marriage to Caddie Yarbrough.

Birthplace/date: Missouri; 1843

Residence when he entered service: Arenzville, IL

Unit: Co C, 101st IL Inf; Co G, 18th IL Inf Con

Military note: Entered service Jul 1862, specified residence Morgan County, IL; enrolled in Co C, 101st IL Inf; discharged 27 Jan 1863 at Mound City, IL with lung disease contracted at Cairo, IL in Nov 1862. Reentered service Mar 1865, specified residence Arenzville, IL; enrolled in Co G, 18th IL Inf Con; mustered out Dec 1865 at Pine Bluff, AR. Rank: corporal. Other records say he mustered out in 1866 at Camp Butler.

Place of death: St. Louis, MO; 1911

Burial place: St. Louis, MO

Cemetery: Jefferson Barracks National Cemetery

Find-a-Grave listing # (if known): 81379038

Spouse(s): 1) Mary L. Hickman; 2) Caddie F. Yarbrough (m. 1898 in Webster County, MO)

Miller, Moses

He died 14 Aug 1887 in Cass County, IL; son of James and Lela Miller; husband of Mary J. Mathews (m. 1883); after his death she remarried to Cyrus Sheppard in 1889.

Birthplace/date: Illinois; 1847

Residence when he entered service: Arenzville, IL

Unit: Co G, 18th IL Inf Con

Military note: Mustered in Mar 1865 and mustered out in Dec 1865 at Pine Bluff, AR

Place of death: Cass County, IL; 1887

Burial place:

Cemetery:

Find-a-Grave listing # (if known):

Spouse(s): Mary J. Mathews (m. 1883 in Cass County, IL)

† Morrison, John

Described in military rolls as single, farmer. Included on Cass County Draft Registration rolls as a resident of Arenzville township (while on active duty). In 1860 census shown in household of Eliza H. Thompson at Arenzville (with other persons named Morrison). From that household, a William Morrison, age 13, (a brother) corresponds to details for William E. Morrison below.

Birthplace/date: England; 1842

Residence when he entered service: Arenzville, IL

Unit: Co K, 101st IL Inf

Military note: Mustered in 1862, enrolled in Co K, 101st IL Inf; died 18 Apr 1864 at Bridgeport, AL. Burial records show he was originally buried at Carpenters, AL, and reburied at the Chattanooga National Cemetery.

Place of death: Bridgeport, AL; 1864

Burial place: Chattanooga, TN

Cemetery: Chattanooga National Cemetery

Find-a-Grave listing # (if known): 78546423

Morrison, William E.

His death record cites Arenzville, IL as his birth place and names Edward Morrison as his father. Note that a different William (H.) Morrison of Morgan County, IL, entered service from Concord, enrolled in Co C, 101st IL Inf and did not survive the war (he is buried in Mound City National Cemetery, FAG #22920266).

Birthplace/date: Arenzville, IL; 1847

Residence when he entered service: Locust Grove, Menard County, IL

Unit: Co G, 18th IL Inf Con

Military note: Mustered in Mar 1865 and mustered out in Dec 1865 at Pine Bluff, AR.

Place of death: Beardstown, IL; 1929

Burial place: Beardstown, IL

Cemetery: Beardstown City Cemetery

Find-a-Grave listing # (if known): 177480349

Spouse(s): Amanda Buck (m. 1869 in Cass County, IL)

Moss, William H.

US records for Illinois veterans show a William H. Moss, 38-year-old farmer born in Tennessee, resident of Winchester, IL, who entered service in 1861 and enrolled in Co K, 14th IL Inf.; Illinois veterans records show a 42-year-old farmer, "William H. Moss or Moses," born in Tennessee, resident of Arenzville, IL, who entered service in 1864 for 1 year as a substitute for Jackson Back - this man went missing in Nov 1864. Additional information lacking.

Birthplace/date: Tennessee; 1822

Residence when he entered service: Arenzville, IL

Unit: Co H, 36th IL Inf

Military note: Entered service in Mar 1864; enrolled in Co H, 36th IL Inf; listed as missing at Spring Hill, TN on 29 Nov 1864

Place of death: ;

Burial place:

Cemetery:

Find-a-Grave listing # (if known):

† Muller, Ernst

Records suggest different spellings of the surname: Müller, Möller, Miller, etc. A possible record of him shows an "Ernest Miller," age 21, in the 1860 census, living near Arenzville in the household of Henry and Elizabeth Lovekamp, each age 50.

Birthplace/date: Germany; 1839

Residence when he entered service: Arenzville, IL

Unit: Co G, 34th IL Inf

Military note: Died at Camp Nevin, KY, on 12 Nov 1861. He was likely initially buried at Red Mills Cemetery near the camp and then reburied at Cave Hill National Cemetery, Louisville, KY. Unfortunately, the identities of most of the transferred burials were lost.

Place of death: Camp Nevin, KY; 1861

Burial place: Louisville, KY

Cemetery: Cave Hill National Cemetery

Find-a-Grave listing # (if known):

Mundell, Thomas J.

He appears in the Morgan County, IL, draft registration rolls as a man living at Arcadia and eligible for military service; occupation: blacksmith. He entered service in 1864, citing Arenzville as his residence.

Birthplace/date: Kentucky; 1839

Residence when he entered service: Arenzville, IL

Unit: Co E, 36th IL Inf

Military note: Entered service 29 Sep 1864; mustered out 15 Jun 1865 at Nashville, TN

Place of death: Danville, IL; 1910

Burial place: Watson, IL

Cemetery: Watson Cemetery

Find-a-Grave listing # (if known): 136915095

Spouse(s): Catherine A. King (m. 1861 in Morgan County)

Newman, Frederick

Military rolls show him as "single, farmer" resident of Arenzville, IL, when he entered service. Wounded, taken prisoner at Stone River; exchanged. Subsequent records not identified. He is likely NOT the Fred Newman in the 1870 and 1880 census, married and living in Cass County, who was a younger man.

Birthplace/date: St. Louis, MO; 1842

Residence when he entered service: Arenzville, IL

Unit: Co K, 27th IL Inf

Military note: Entered service in 1861; taken prisoner at Stones River and exchanged; mustered out on 20 Sep 1864 at Springfield, IL.

Place of death: ;

Burial place:

Cemetery:

Find-a-Grave listing # (if known):

Overhake, Fred

Alt name: Military records show him under the surname "Overhocker," and death records in Adams County recorded the name as "Overhacker." His birthplace was recorded as "Olterndorf, Prussia."

Birthplace/date: Prussia; 1838

Residence when he entered service: Cass County, IL

Unit: Co H, 32nd IL Inf

Military note: Entered service in 1861; transferred to invalid corps on 15 Oct 1863.

Place of death: Quincy, IL; 1920

Burial place: Arenzville, IL

Cemetery: St. Peter's Cemetery

Find-a-Grave listing # (if known): 26092758

Spouse(s): Anna Baumann (m. 1866 in Cass County, IL);
Nancy Louisa Houston (m. 1872 in Cass County, IL)

Peank, Henry

Shown in Cass County Draft Registration records as a 21-year-old man with previous military service in the the "1st IL Artillery" and a residence in Arenzville township in 1863, but no man with this name (or various versions of spelling of the last name) is found on the rolls of that unit. However, a John H. Plank, who entered service from Arenzville is found (see below).

Birthplace/date: ; 1842

Residence when he entered service:

Unit:

Military note:

Place of death: ;

Burial place:

Cemetery:

Find-a-Grave listing # (if known):

Phelps, Henry C.

Cass County Draft Registration rolls show him as a 21-year-old resident of Arenzville precinct with prior military service in the 14th IL Inf; his pension record also shows service in Co F, 3rd IL Cav.

Birthplace/date: Beardstown, IL; 1842

Residence when he entered service: Beardstown, IL

Unit: Co A, 14th IL Inf

Military note: Mustered in to 14th IL in 1861; mustered out in 1864; mustered in to 3rd IL Cav in Mar 1865, mustered out in Oct 1865.

Place of death: Cape Girardeau, MO; 1922

Burial place: Cape Girardeau, MO

Cemetery: New Lorimier Cemetery

Find-a-Grave listing # (if known): 131870719

Spouse(s): Eliza Costello (m. 1896 in Ballard County, IL)

Phillippi, Victor

Cass County Draft Registration rolls show him as a 22-year-old resident of Arenzville precinct with prior military service in the 114th IL Inf.

Birthplace/date: Cass County, IL; 1841

Residence when he entered service: Cass County, IL

Unit: Co A, 114th IL Inf

Military note: Entered service in Aug 1862, enrolled in Co A, 114th IL Inf; mustered out Sep 1865 at Memphis, TN. Rank: Sergeant.

Place of death: Hernando, MS; 1884

Burial place: Memphis, TN

Cemetery: Elmwood Cemetery

Find-a-Grave listing # (if known): 8599136

Spouse(s): Henrietta Hoack (m. 1865, Shelby County, TN)

Plank, John Henry

He may be included in the Cass County Draft Registration list as a 21-year-old man living in the Arenzville township named "Henry Peank" and described as having prior service in the "1st IL Artillery."

Birthplace/date: Canton, MO; 1841

Residence when he entered service: Arenzville, IL

Unit: Co A, 14th IL Inf

Military note: Enlisted in 1861; mustered out on 24 Jun 1864. The IL Veterans Index includes a notation that the "monthly return says this man is a veteran." However, rosters of Co A do not include him among the veterans in that company.

Place of death: Seattle, WA; 1925

Burial place: Seattle, WA

Cemetery: Lake View Cemetery

Find-a-Grave listing # (if known): 5229577

Spouse(s): 1) Julia Webster (m. 1864 in Cass County, IL);
2) Sarah Elizabeth Blackstun (m. 1868 in Morgan County, IL)

Plank, Peter

His military record shows he first joined up in Illinois and was with Co I, 11th MO Inf. He later reenlisted as a veteran. Records for him in the Cass County Draft Registration books ("Peter Peank" or "Prank") indicate he resided in the Arenzville township but cite service in an Illinois regiment (14th IL Inf). A Peter Plank, b. 1845, married and living in Indian Creek township, Cass County, IL, is found in the 1870 census. The census record aligns with information of the man who served in the Co I, 11th MO Inf. His service record shows he was granted furlough to Arenzville during his service and mention that his wife resided near Meredosia in Morgan county.

Birthplace/date: Cass County, IL; 1844

Residence when he entered service: Concord, IL

Unit: Co I, 11th MO Inf

Military note: He enrolled at Bethel, IL on 1 July 1861 and entered service at St. Louis in 5 Aug 1861. Assigned to in Co I, 11th MO Inf. Detached to "Capt "Reece's Battery" 31 July 1862 till ? Mustered out 31 Dec 1863 and then reenlisted as veteran volunteer for the state of Illinois (regiment not identified) at La Grange, TN on 1 Jan 1864. Saw action at Frederickstown, MD; Farmington, MS; New Madrid, MO; Siege of Corinth; Tupelo, MS, and Nashville, TN. Records show he was granted a 30-day furlough on 30 Mar 1864 to Arenzville, IL. Wounded in action (in the right hip and/or knee) at Nashville, TN, on 15 Dec 1864; in hospital at Covington, KY, on 16 Dec 1864. Discharged on 31 May 1865 at Main Street Hospital, Covington, KY, on surgeon's certificate of disability caused by gunshot wound. Residence indicated on discharge was Meredosia.

Place of death: Versailles, IL; 1875

Burial place: Versailles, IL

Cemetery: Cooperstown Cemetery

Find-a-Grave listing # (if known): 11495878

Spouse(s): Sarah F. Lake. (m. 1864, Brown County, IL); Mary C. Caspar (m. 1868 in Brown County, IL)

Rahn, John

Regiment muster rolls describe him as "single, farmer."
He lived in Arenzville for many years and served as a
Justice of the Peace.

Birthplace/date: Grand Duchy of Hesse (Germany);
1839

Residence when he entered service: Meredosia, IL

Unit: Co I, 115th IL Inf

Military note: Entered service Aug 1862; discharged Apr
1863 for disability at Nashville, TN

Place of death: Arenzville, IL; 1914

Burial place: Arenzville, IL

Cemetery: Arenzville East Cemetery

Find-a-Grave listing # (if known): 27531644

Spouse(s): Susan Coffin (m. 1863 in Morgan County, IL)

Renchleir (Reuschlein), Frederick

Alt name: Rentschler, Rentschleier, Reuschlein, and
Reischlein. Described as a shoemaker on the muster roll;
marital status not noted. Information lacking to further
identify him.

Birthplace/date: Maryland; 1842

Residence when he entered service: Arenzville, IL

Unit: Co G, 18th IL Inf Con

Military note: Mustered in 2 Mar 1865; mustered out 16
Dec 1865. Rank: Corporal.

Place of death: Arenzville, IL; 1866

Burial place: Arenzville, IL

Cemetery: Arenzville East Cemetery

Find-a-Grave listing # (if known):

Spouse(s): Elizabeth Sandman (m. 1862 in Cass County,
IL; after widowed, she married Rudolph Schneider and
moved to Nebraska.

Robertson, Alexander

Alt name: Alexander Robinson. Shown on the muster roll as "Alexander Robinson," though the family used the name Robertson on his grave marker. Described as "single, farmer." He was a half-brother to James Maine, also a Civil War veteran.

Birthplace/date: Cass County, IL; 1838

Residence when he entered service: Arenzville, IL

Unit: Co K, 121st IL Inf

Military note: Mustered in 7 Aug 1862; mustered out as corporal on 7 Jun 1865 at Washington, DC.

Place of death: Brown County, IL; 1924

Burial place: Timewell, IL

Cemetery: Mounds Cemetery

Find-a-Grave listing # (if known): 33390468

Spouse(s): Sarah Easton Peck (m. 1884 in Brown County, IL)

Rogge, Henry

Described as single, farmer. Later moved to MO, died ca 1890. He was a cousin -- NOT a brother -- to William Rogge (below). The year of his death is an estimate, based on the 1890 federal veterans schedule, which lists his wife as widowed.

Birthplace/date: Germany; 1841

Residence when he entered service: Arenzville, IL

Unit: Co G, 34th IL Inf

Military note: Mustered in 10 Aug 1861; reenlisted as veteran on 23 Dec 1863 at Chattanooga, TN; mustered out 12 July 1865 at Louisville, KY.

Place of death: Missouri; 1890

Burial place:

Cemetery:

Find-a-Grave listing # (if known):

Spouse(s): Louisa Thomasmeyer (divorced)

Rogge, William

Described as single, farmer. Cousin to Henry Rogge who served in the same company. Died in Cass County, buried at Immanuel Lutheran Cemetery on Honey Point Rd near Meredosia.

Birthplace/date: Germany; 1840

Residence when he entered service: Arenzville, IL

Unit: Co G, 34th IL Inf

Military note: Mustered in 10 Aug 1861; reenlisted as veteran on 23 Dec 1863 at Chattanooga, TN; mustered out 12 July 1865 at Louisville, KY.

Place of death: Meredosia, IL; 1900

Burial place: Arenzville, IL

Cemetery: Immanuel Lutheran Cemetery

Find-a-Grave listing # (if known): 57058760

Spouse(s): Carolina Fricke (m. 1866 in Cass County, IL)

Rudisill, Richard

Described in muster roll as "single, farmer." He moved to Kansas late in his life but returned to Illinois in 1894 to live near family.

Birthplace/date: Arcadia, IL; 1837

Residence when he entered service: Arenzville, IL

Unit: Co G, 34th IL Inf

Military note: Entered service 10 Aug 1861; discharged for disability 2 Jun 1862 at Corinth, MS for "hypertrophy of heart." Rank: Sergeant.

Place of death: Pleasant Plains, IL; 1895

Burial place: Pleasant Plains, IL

Cemetery: Pleasant Plains Cemetery

Find-a-Grave listing # (if known): 29662065

Spouse(s): Mary Jane Hayes (m. 1862)

† **Russell, William G.**

Described as "married, mechanic." His burial is noted in Angel Cemetery (rural Morgan County). A transcription of the cemetery stones made in 1977, which notes that William's stone gives his age at the time of his death as "31 yrs 3 mo 16 da," suggests that a grave marker existed for him at that time.

Birthplace/date: Virginia; 1832

Residence when he entered service: Arenzville, IL

Unit: Co B, 101st IL Inf

Military note: Entered service 21 Aug 1862; died of disease at Arenzville, IL on 1 Mar 1863. Rank: Corporal.

Place of death: Arenzville, IL; 1863

Burial place: Morgan County, IL

Cemetery: Angel Cemetery

Find-a-Grave listing # (if known): 151359045

Spouse(s): Mary Angel (m. 1853 in Morgan County, IL)

Sandman, Charles

Alt name: Sandeman. A younger brother of Frederick K. Sandman (both are sons of Charles (Sr) and Dorothea Sandman, who were born in Germany). In the 1880 federal census, Charles (jr), age 33, is living in Arenzville and works on the farm. In the 1900 census, he is an inmate in the Jacksonville state hospital.

Birthplace/date: Illinois; 1847

Residence when he entered service: Otter Creek, Macoupin County, IL

Unit: Co G, 18th IL Inf Con

Military note: Entered service 23 Feb 1865; mustered out 16 Dec 1865 at Pine Bluff, AR. His brother (Frederick) and brother-in-law (Frederick Renschleir or Reuschlein) served in the same company.

Place of death: ;

Burial place:

Cemetery:

Find-a-Grave listing # (if known):

Sandman, Frederick K.

A son of Charles (Sr) and Dorothea Sandman. His parents were both born in Germany. Census records show them living in Arenzville in 1850 and in 1870 (In 1860 census, the family is living in Monroe, Cass, IL). The father was disabled (blind), a result of an accident while he was working and a (wood?) chip flew into his eye. After the war, Fred worked for the railroad, married and lived in Meredosia, where he had a harness shop. He was a patient at both the Quincy, IL and Danville, IL, veterans' hospitals in his later years.

Birthplace/date: Illinois; 1846

Residence when he entered service: Otter Creek, Macoupin County, IL

Unit: Co G, 18th IL Inf Con

Military note: Entered service 23 Feb 1865; mustered out 16 Dec 1865 at Pine Bluff, AR. His brother (Charles) and brother-in-law (Frederick Renschleir or Reuschlein) served in the same company.

Place of death: Riverside, IL; 1920

Burial place: Quincy, IL

Cemetery: Sunset Cemetery

Find-a-Grave listing # (if known): 93181204

Spouse(s): Sarah Anna Resch or Roesch (?) (1858-1915)

Saylor, Abraham J.

Alt name: "Sayler." Also remembered as Jobe Saylor. He is shown on the muster rolls of Co A, 14th IL Inf, residence Beardstown. He was on the rolls for about three weeks. A commenter on his Find-a-Grave listing incorrectly associates him with Jacob Sailor, a member of the 82nd IL Inf, but they are not the same individual. (Jacob Sailor was from St. Louis).

Birthplace/date: Tennessee; 1836

Residence when he entered service: Beardstown, IL

Unit: Co A, 14th IL Inf

Military note: Mustered in 25 May 1861; mustered out 12 Jun 1861; discharged for disability.

Place of death: Arenzville, IL; 1898

Burial place: Arenzville, IL

Cemetery: Arenzville East Cemetery

Find-a-Grave listing # (if known): 27476211

Spouse(s): Adaline Ciré (m. 1865 in Cass County, IL)

Schaefer, Henry

Described on muster rolls as a "shoemaker." In the History of Cass County (Perrin, 1882), he is described as the son of Conrad Schaefer and Christina Eiler.

Baptismal records show he was baptized at Maar (in Hesse). He immigrated from Germany in 1850.

Birthplace/date: Germany; 1833

Residence when he entered service: Arenzville, IL

Unit: Co G, 18th IL Inf Con

Military note: Entered service Mar 1865; mustered out as Sergeant in Dec 1865.

Place of death: Arenzville, IL; 1912

Burial place: Arenzville, IL

Cemetery: Arenzville East Cemetery

Find-a-Grave listing # (if known): 44182225

Spouse(s): Dora Reuschlein (m. 1854 in Cumberland, MD)

Schaefer, John

Alternate spelling: Shaefer. Born in 1831 in Frischborn, Grand Duchy of Hesse, he emigrated before 1858 and settled in Arenzville. A family story relates that he served in the Union Army ("under McMillian") during the Civil War and was away long enough that his daughter Katherine did not recognize him when he returned. His obituary in the Virginia (IL) Gazette - 24 Jan 1914- states he enlisted when he was 33 years old and served under Capt R J Green (a brother to William Green of Arenzville).

Birthplace/date: Grand Duchy of Hesse (Germany); 1831

Residence when he entered service: Arenzville, IL

Unit: Co G, 18th IL Inf Con

Military note: Entered service in March 1865 and mustered out 16 December 1865 at Pine Bluff, AR. Applied for an invalid's pension in 1890. The 1929 Illinois Roll of Honor lists a "John Schaeffer" as a veteran (war not specified) buried in Otgen [Oetgen] Cemetery in Be

Place of death: Beardstown, IL; 1914

Burial place: Beardstown, IL

Cemetery: St. John's Lutheran Cemetery

Find-a-Grave listing # (if known): 144446305

Spouse(s): Julianna Helfenbein (m. 1858 in Cass County, IL)

Schmehl, Conrad

Described on muster rolls as "single, farmer."

Birthplace/date: Germany; 1833

Residence when he entered service: Cass County, IL

Unit: Co A, 114th IL Inf

Military note: Entered service in Aug 1862; wounded on 16 Jul 1863 at Jackson, MS; mustered out 3 Aug 1865 at Vicksburg, MS and hospitalized in Quincy, IL.

Place of death: ; 1895

Burial place: Arenzville, IL

Cemetery: Arenzville North Cemetery

Find-a-Grave listing # (if known): 24213351

Spouse(s): Catherine Stock (m. 1872 in Cass County, IL)

Schnitker, Frederick

Use "Schuitker" or "Schmitker" when searching veterans databases; described as "farmer," marital status not specified, on the muster rolls.

Birthplace/date: Germany; 1840

Residence when he entered service: Beardstown, IL

Unit: Co E, 61st IL Inf

Military note: Mustered in Mar 1862; mustered out Mar 1865.

Place of death: Monroe precinct, Cass County, IL; 1899

Burial place: Arenzville, IL

Cemetery: Arenzville North Cemetery

Find-a-Grave listing # (if known): 24213309

Spouse(s): Caroline Maria Wedeking (m. 1866 in Cass County, IL)

Sinclair, George

Alt name: Sentclair; George is shown in the Cass County Draft Registration rolls in 1863 as a 26-year-old resident of Arenzville township with prior service in the 1st MO Cav. Pension documents show service in two additional units. 1865 census records show a George Sinclair living near Meredosia. Perrin's history states he was the son of Samuel and Euphemia Sinclair who lived in the Ashland precinct. His military record claims he was born in Morgan County (evidence suggests that the family lived near the county line in "Sinclair" (township) of Morgan County. Perrin's history also states that he was one of three brothers (sons of Samuel) to serve in the Civil War.

Birthplace/date: Morgan County, IL; 1837

Residence when he entered service: Not stated

Unit: Co G, 1st MO Cav;

Co I, 1st AR Col'd Inf; Co I, 46 USC Inf

Military note: Entered service as a private in Co G, 1st MO Cav; furloughed to Morgan County, IL in Dec 1861 and did not return until Apr 1862; record states this was due to illness. In Dec 1863, was appointed as Captain to the 1st AR Col'd Inf (also known as 1st AR Infantry - African Descent.) This unit was later designated the 46 USC IL (46th United States Colored Infantry Regiment).

Place of death: ; 1874

Burial place: Yatesville, IL

Cemetery: Hebron Cemetery

Find-a-Grave listing # (if known): 110195415

Spouse(s): Sarah M. Gaines (m. 1859 in Morgan County, IL)

Smith, James M.

Claimed an Arenzville residence when he enlisted; described as "single, farmer." Additional details lacking.

Birthplace/date: Burlington, IA; 1842

Residence when he entered service: Arenzville, IL

Unit: Co G, 34th IL Inf

Military note: Entered service Mar 1861; mustered out 2 Jul 1862 with disability (severe diarrhea) at Nashville, TN.

Rank: Corporal

Place of death: ;

Burial place:

Cemetery:

Find-a-Grave listing # (if known):

Stauf, William

His actual birth year is not clear, but he was possibly one of the oldest men to serve. Muster rolls describe him as 43 years old, single, confectioner. Subsequent records are lacking. Cass County Draft Registration rolls show him as a 54-year-old resident of Arenzville township in 1863 with a record of service in the 14th IL Inf.

Birthplace/date: Germany; 1818

Residence when he entered service: Beardstown, IL

Unit: Co A, 14th IL Inf;

Co G, 14th IL Inf

Military note: Enlisted May 1861 but records note "recruit does not appear on original rolls; transferred to Invalid Corps 21 Oct 1863, Natchez, MS." Transferred from Co A to Co G on 5 Jul 1864.

Place of death: ;

Burial place:

Cemetery:

Find-a-Grave listing # (if known):

Strickland, Jonathan

Alt name: Stricklin. Muster rolls describe him as "married, farmer," born around 1825. His name in the Cass County Draft Registration rolls (1863) indicates him as a resident of Arenzville precinct with a service record in the 101st IL Inf. Pension records show a widow's claim by "Mary Stricklin" in 1883 (but marriage records show his wife's name was Elizabeth and she had remarried in 1878). Perhaps a relative of a William Strickland who lived in Indian Creek precinct, Cass County?

Birthplace/date: Gallatin County, IL; 1827

Residence when he entered service: Arenzville, IL

Unit: Co B, 101st IL Inf

Military note: Entered service as a private in Jun 1862; promoted to corporal; sick at Quincy since 15 Jun 1864.

Place of death: Gallatin County, IL; 1874

Burial place: Junction, IL

Cemetery: Leavell Hill Cemetery

Find-a-Grave listing # (if known): 49475679

Spouse(s): Elizabeth Johnson (m. 1847 in Gallatin County, IL)

† Telkemeyer, Henry

For years, his grave in Marietta National Cemetery was marked with a stone which bore the name of a different man from his company; in 2023 relatives discovered the error and rectified it. A new stone was placed in 2025.

Birthplace/date: Meredosia, IL; 1840

Residence when he entered service: Arenzville, IL

Unit: Co I, 115th IL Inf

Military note: Joined 14 Aug 1862; killed in battle at Resaca, GA, 14 May 1864

Place of death: Resaca, GA; 1864

Burial place: Marietta, GA

Cemetery: Marietta National Cemetery

Find-a-Grave listing # (if known): 225930737

Thomas, William

His obituary states that he fought on both sides, first in the Confederate army at the beginning of the war, then was discharged, joined the Union Army where he fought for the remainder of the war (unit not specified). After the war, he moved to Cass-Morgan County area, married and had a family. His California death record indicates he was divorced. More specific information about the regiment(s) in which he served is difficult to identify given the multiple persons with this name in both the Union and Confederate armies.

Birthplace/date: Georgia; 1845

Residence when he entered service:

Unit:

Military note: Fought in the Confederate Army early in the war, was discharged and enlisted in the Union Army, where he fought until the end of the war.

Place of death: Torrance, CA; 1933

Burial place: Arenzville, IL

Cemetery: Arenzville East Cemetery

Find-a-Grave listing # (if known): 45542649

Spouse(s): Nancy Adaline Rice (m. 1869 in Morgan County, IL); Martha May Ater (m. 1903 in Morgan County, IL)

Triebert, Christian

His name appears in the Draft Registration rolls of Cass County as a resident in Monroe precinct with prior military service. The muster rolls recorded his residence is "Aronsville." He entered service (in Missouri) in 1861 and re-enlisted as a veteran, mustering out at the end of the war. He was a brother-in-law to Edward Kuechler. Pension records show application for a widow's pension by his second wife, Susan. His granddaughter, Lora Triebert McCabe, left a bequest to Arenzville on her death in 2000.

Birthplace/date: Hesse, Germany; 1838

Residence when he entered service: Arenzville, IL

Unit: Co I, 11th MO Inf

Military note: Entered service in 1861; re-enlisted as veteran 1 Jan 1865; mustered out as coporal 15 Jan 1866 at Memphis, TN.

Place of death: Arenzville, IL; 1908

Burial place: Arenzville, IL

Cemetery: Arenzville East Cemetery

Find-a-Grave listing # (if known): 0

Spouse(s): Bertha Selma Triebert (m. 1871 in Cass County, IL); Susan Jane Kite Gale, a widow of John Gale, (m. 1876 in Cass County, IL)

Unland, George

Alt name: George Fred Unland; Gehard Frederick Unland. Muster rolls describe him as "single, farmer." After the war, he moved to NE. Cass County Draft Registration rolls show a Fred Unland, resident of Arenzville township, with service in the 114th IL Inf.

Birthplace/date: Germany; 1839

Residence when he entered service: Cass County, IL

Unit: Co A, 114th IL Inf;
115th VRC

Military note: Entered service in Aug 1862; wounded in 1863 at Jackson, MS; transferred to veteran reserve corps 30 Sep 1864.

Place of death: Hemet, CA; 1926

Burial place: Arlington, NE

Cemetery: Arlington Cemetery

Find-a-Grave listing # (if known): 42973483

Spouse(s): Philippine Ludwig (m. 1868 in McDonough County, IL)

Webster, Daniel

Cass County Draft Registration rolls show him as a 23-year-old resident of Arenzville township with service in 115th IL Inf. Muster rolls describe him as "farmer, married." Census records show he resided in Arenzville precinct following the war.

Birthplace/date: Meredosia, IL; 1840

Residence when he entered service: Meredosia, IL

Unit: Co I, 115th IL Inf

Military note: Entered service in Aug 1862; mustered out in Jun 1865 at Nashville, TN

Place of death: ; 1912

Burial place: Meredosia, IL

Cemetery: Oakland Cemetery

Find-a-Grave listing # (if known): 110068929

Spouse(s): Sitha [also Scytha and Synthia] Jane Houston (m. 1860 in Cass County, IL)

Webster, Thomas

According to death record, son of Joseph Webster and Sarah Masterson. Probably brother to Daniel, above.

Birthplace/date: Illinois; 1842

Residence when he entered service: Arenzville, IL

Unit: Co A, 14th IL Inf

Military note: Entered service as a private, May 1861; mustered out as a sergeant, Jun 1864

Place of death: Danville, IL; 1919

Burial place: Danville, IL

Cemetery: Atherton Cemetery

Find-a-Grave listing # (if known): 116254813

Spouse(s): Alice Ann Houston (m. 1864 in Cass County, IL); Sarah Eleanor Wilday (m. 1872 in Cass County, IL)

Wedeking, John

Alt name: appears in some veteran databases as John "Wedekey." In Illinois Civil War Veterans database, he is shown as "Jonathan H. Wedeking" and described as "single, farmer." Perrin's history states he resided in Arenzville precinct, Cass County, IL, at the time of his enlistment and moved to Beardstown after he mustered out. He was a brother-in-law to Frederick Schnitker.

Birthplace/date: Cass County, IL; 1844

Residence when he entered service: Cass County, IL

Unit: Co A, 114th IL Inf

Military note: Entered service Aug 1862; wounded at Jackson, MS, on 16 July 1863; leg amputated; sent to hospital 5 Sep 1863; discharged with wounds 20 May 1864 at Memphis, TN; mustered out 3 Aug 1865 at Vicksburg, MS (other records say near Jefferson Barracks, MO).

Place of death: Beardstown, IL; 1890

Burial place: Beardstown, IL

Cemetery: Oak Grove Cemetery

Find-a-Grave listing # (if known): 51925381

Spouse(s): Helena Tenbick (m. 1866 in Cass County, IL)

† Weeks, William H. H.

Cass County Draft Registration rolls show him as "William Winke," 47-year-old resident of Arenzville township with service in the 101st IL Inf. He specified Meredosia as his residence upon entry to service. Described as "single, farmer." (brother to John Langdon Weeks and uncle to well remembered Arenzville residents J.A., Bert, H.G. and Paddy Weeks and their sister Carrie Englebach) A Register of Deaths of Volunteers shows he died at a field hospital of chronic diarrhea. Burial place not identified. His half-brother, Orville Bushnell, serving in the same company, also died during active duty about eight months later. He was severely wounded in the leg at the Battle of Kennesaw, GA, and died of his wounds at a Chattanooga hospital on 15 Jun 1864. Their mother lived in Meredosia.

Birthplace/date: Meredosia, IL; 1843

Residence when he entered service: Meredosia, IL

Unit: Co A, 101st IL Inf

Military note: Entered service Aug 1862; died 3 Nov 1863 at Stevenson, AL

Place of death: Stevenson, AL; 1863

Burial place:

Cemetery:

Find-a-Grave listing # (if known):

Wilday, John

Muster rolls describe him as "single, farmer." He was a brother-in-law to Thomas Webster. He served in the same company as his brother, William H. Wilday.

Birthplace/date: Andrews County, MO; 1842

Residence when he entered service: Meredosia, IL

Unit: Co I, 115th IL Inf

Military note: Mustered in 13 Sep 1862; mustered out 11 Jun 1865 at Camp Harker, near Nashville, TN.

Place of death: Jacksonville, IL; 1914

Burial place: Arenzville, IL

Cemetery: Arenzville East Cemetery

Find-a-Grave listing # (if known): 26333436

Spouse(s): Rachel Arvilla Houston (m. 1870 in Morgan County, IL); Mary Ellen Kircher (m. 1899 in Cass County, IL)

Willey, John

Moved to Arenzville after the war, married and had a family. His son, Robert J. Willey, was the Arenzville mail carrier for many years.

Birthplace/date: Switzerland; 1845

Residence when he entered service: Otter Creek, Macoupin County, IL

Unit: Co G, 18th IL Inf Con

Military note: Mustered in Feb 1865; mustered out 16 Dec 1865 at Pine Bluff, AR

Place of death: Arenzville, IL; 1892

Burial place: Arenzville, IL

Cemetery: Arenzville East Cemetery

Find-a-Grave listing # (if known): 45484996

Spouse(s): Lurena Ann Miller (m. 1868 in Cass County, IL)

Wood, William

Alt name: William Woods. (Name on his grave marker is "Wood.") The muster roll describes him as a "shoemaker," marital status not stated. He served in Missouri and Illinois units. After the war, he and his wife lived in Jacksonville for some time. He was a patient at the Danville, IL, veterans hospital for brief time. When he entered service in Illinois, he specified Arenzville as his residence. (Do not confuse him with others with similar names but different birth years/places.)

Birthplace/date: England; 1840

Residence when he entered service: Arenzville, IL

Unit: 1st MO Cav;
Co G, 18th IL Inf Con

Military note: First entered service in 1861 and enrolled in the 1st MO Cav; discharged at Craw Creek, AR, in Dec 1862 with disability. Reentered service Mar 1865; enrolled as Sergeant in 18th IL Inf; mustered out in Dec 1865 at Pine Bluff, AR.

Place of death: Jacksonville, IL; 1906

Burial place: Arcadia, IL

Cemetery: Arcadia Cemetery

Find-a-Grave listing # (if known): 79716245

Spouse(s): Margaret Jane Sims (m. 1866 in Morgan County, IL)

Yeck, Jacob H.

In 1860, he appears in the federal census in the household of David Giger, living in Meredosia precinct, Morgan County, IL. He is described in muster rolls as "single, farmer." Though he appears on the rolls as "Jacob H.," he also appears in records as "Jacob F." or "Fritz." He lived in the Meredosia area but cited Arenzville as his residence when he entered service. After the war, he was a butcher and a farmer in Meredosia. He was one of the charter stockholders of Farmers and Traders State Bank in Meredosia.

Birthplace/date: Württemberg, Germany; 1842

Residence when he entered service: Arenzville, IL

Unit: Co C, 3rd IL Cav

Military note: Entered service in 1861, enrolled in 3rd IL Cav; mustered out at Camp Butler in Sep 1864.

Place of death: Morgan County, IL; 1928

Burial place: Meredosia, IL

Cemetery: Oakland Cemetery

Find-a-Grave listing # (if known): 39474432

Spouse(s): Margaret Eva Lochbaum (m. 1870 in Morgan County, IL)

Burial Places of Arenzville Civil War Veterans

GEORGIA

Marietta, GA

Telkemeyer, Henry - Marietta National Cemetery,
Marietta, GA

ILLINOIS

Arcadia, IL

Ginder, James R. - Arcadia Cemetery, Arcadia, IL
Wood, William - Arcadia Cemetery, Arcadia, IL

Mathews, Franklin E - Greenwood-Crum Cemetery,
Arcadia, IL

Near Arcadia - rural Morgan County, IL

Russell, William G. - Angel Cemetery, rural Morgan
County, IL

Arenzville, IL

Becker, Fred - Arenzville East Cemetery, Arenzville, IL
Bowyer, Mathew - Arenzville East Cemetery, Arenzville, IL
Divver, Joseph - Arenzville East Cemetery, Arenzville, IL
Filey, William H. - Arenzville East Cemetery, Arenzville, IL
Green, William Jackson - Arenzville East Cemetery,
Arenzville, IL

Kraft, William - Arenzville East Cemetery, Arenzville, IL
Rahn, John - Arenzville East Cemetery, Arenzville, IL
Saylor, Abraham J. - Arenzville East Cemetery, Arenzville,
IL

Schaefer, Henry - Arenzville East Cemetery, Arenzville, IL
Thomas, William - Arenzville East Cemetery, Arenzville, IL
Trieber, Christian - Arenzville East Cemetery, Arenzville,
IL

Wilday, John - Arenzville East Cemetery, Arenzville, IL
Wiley, John - Arenzville East Cemetery, Arenzville, IL

Schmehl, Conrad - Arenzville North Cemetery, Arenzville,
IL

Schnitker, Frederick - Arenzville North Cemetery,
Arenzville, IL

Hansmeier, August - Hackman Cemetery, Arenzville, IL

Rogge, William - Immanuel Lutheran Cemetery,
Arenzville, IL

Meyer, William - St. Peter's Cemetery, Arenzville, IL
Overhake, Fred - St. Peter's Cemetery, Arenzville, IL

Beardstown, IL

Hoffman, George - Beardstown City Cemetery,
Beardstown, IL
Morrison, William E. - Beardstown City Cemetery,
Beardstown, IL

Green, George W. - Oak Grove Cemetery, Beardstown, IL
Heitz, Sophy - Oak Grove Cemetery, Beardstown, IL
Meyer, Carl Edward - Oak Grove Cemetery, Beardstown,
IL
Meyer, Henry - Oak Grove Cemetery, Beardstown, IL
Wedeking, John - Oak Grove Cemetery, Beardstown, IL

Heinz, Edward - St. Alexius Catholic Cemetery,
Beardstown, IL

Schaefer, John - Saint John Lutheran Cemetery,
Beardstown, IL

Belleville, IL

Kircher, Henry A. - Walnut Hill Cemetery, Belleville, IL

Danville, IL

Webster, Thomas - Atherton Cemetery, Danville, IL

Jacksonville, IL

Becker, John - Diamond Grove Cemetery, Jacksonville, IL

Junction, IL

Strickland, Jonathan - Leavell Hill Cemetery, Junction, IL

Meredosia, IL

Blanford, James - Hodges Cemetery, Meredosia, IL
Bennett, Samuel - Oakland Cemetery, Meredosia, IL
Webster, Daniel - Oakland Cemetery, Meredosia, IL
Yeck, Jacob H. - Oakland Cemetery, Meredosia, IL

New Grand Chain, IL

Jackson, Milton - Grand Chain Masonic Cemetery, New
Grand Chain, IL

Pleasant Plains, IL

Rudisill, Richard - Pleasant Plains Cemetery, Pleasant
Plains, IL

Quincy, IL

Sandman, Frederick - Sunset Cemetery, Quincy, IL

Rushville, IL

Kuechler, Edward - Rushville City Cemetery, Rushville, IL

Springfield, IL

Arenz, Albert - Oak Ridge Cemetery, Springfield, IL

Timewell, IL

Robertson, Alexander - Mounds Cemetery, Timewell, IL

Versailles, IL

Plank, Peter - Cooperstown Cemetery, Versailles, IL
Brim, Peter - Lavina Henry Cemetery, Versailles, IL

Virginia, IL

Buck, Albert - Clark Cemetery, Virginia, IL

Fox, Martin - Walnut Ridge Cemetery, Virginia, IL
Leonard, George W. - Walnut Ridge Cemetery, Virginia, IL

Watson, IL

Mundell, Thomas J. - Watson Cemetery, Watson, IL

Yatesville, IL

Sinclair, George - Hebron Cemetery, Yatesville, IL

INDIANANew Albany, IN

Apple, August - New Albany National Cemetery, New Albany, IN

KANSASFairmount, KS

Jackson, Thomas - Glenwood Cemetery, Fairmount, KS

La Cygne, KS

Kenworthy, Joseph S. - Oaklawn Cemetery, La Cygne, KS

Oskaloosa, KS

Mains, James - Pleasant View Cemetery, Oskaloosa, KS

Thayer, KS

Coffield, Alfred H. - Thayer Cemetery, Thayer, KS

Winfield, KS

Klinstiber, George F. - Union-Graham Cemetery, Winfield, KS

KENTUCKYLouisville, KY

Muller, Ernst - Cave Hill National Cemetery, Louisville, KY

MINNESOTASaint Paul, MN

Heidbrinker, Henry - Oakland Cemetery, St. Paul, MN

MISSOURICape Girardeau, MO

Phelps, Henry C. - New Lorimier Cemetery, Cape Girardeau, MO

Chattanooga, TN

Fozzard, James B - Chattanooga National Cemetery,
Chattanooga, TN

Morrison, John - Chattanooga National Cemetery,
Chattanooga, TN

Corder, MO

Fricke, Herman - Zion Lutheran Cemetery, Corder, MO

Gunn City, MO

Duval, Henry - Gunn City Cemetery, Gunn City, MO

Sedalia, MO

Hofferberth, George - Crown Hill Cemetery, Sedalia, MO

Saint Louis, MO

Miller, John R. - Jefferson Barracks National Cemetery,
St. Louis, MO

MONTANA

Missoula, MT

Jackson, George - Missoula Cemetery, Missoula, MT

NEBRASKA

Arlington, NE

Unland, George - Arlington Cemetery, Arlington, NE

Ord, NE

Heitz, Joseph - Ord Cemetery, Ord, NE

OKLAHOMA

Perry, OK

Meyer, Henry C. - Grace Hill, Cemetery, Perry, OK

OREGON

Pilot Rock, OR

Carney, Francis S. - Pilot Rock Cemetery, Pilot Rock, OR

Portland, OR

Mathews, Benjamin C - Lone Fir Pioneer Cemetery,
Portland, OR

TENNESSEEMemphis, TN

Phillippi, Victor - Elmwood Cemetery, Memphis, TN

WASHINGTONMonroe, WA

Clark, John S. - Odd Fellows Cemetery, Monroe, WA

Seattle, WA

Plank, John Henry - Lake View Cemetery, Seattle, WA

Burial place not determined or unknown:

Birchlin, Charles
Buchamp, William
Dunn, John
Ham, Robert W.
Jackson, Elijah
Karr, Peter
Meyer, William
Miller, Moses
Moss, William H.
Newman, Frederick
Peank, Henry
Renchleir (Reuschlein), Frederick
Rogge, Henry
Sandman, Charles
Smith, James M.
Stauf, William
Weeks, William H. H.

Arenzville Civil War Veterans By Unit(s) in which They Served

*Note: Some men transferred to other units or reenlisted in a different unit. Their names will appear in both units. Names in **red** and with † indicate men who died/were killed during active duty.*

9th IL Infantry

Heitz, Sopher
Kircher, Henry A.

14th IL Infantry

Heinz, Edward
Hoffman, George
Phelps, Henry
Plank, John Henry
Saylor, Abraham J.
Stauf, William
Webster, Daniel

18th IL Infantry (Consolidated/Reorganized)

Birchlin, Charles
Bowyer, Mathew
Carney, Francis S.
Ginder, James R.
Green, George W.
Kraft, William
Leonard, George W.
Miller, John R.
Miller, Moses
Morrison, William E.
Renchleir, Frederick
Schaefer, Henry
Sandman, Charles
Sandman, Frederick
Wilday, John
Willey, John

26th IL Infantry

Arenz, Albert

27th IL Infantry

Heitz, Joseph

Heitz, Sopher
Newman, Frederick

32nd IL Infantry
Overhake, Fred

34th IL Infantry
† Apple, August
Ham, Robert W.
Heidbrinker, Henry
Meyer, Henry C.
† Muller, Ernst
Rogge, Henry
Rogge, William
Rudisill, Richard
Smith, James M.

36th IL Infantry
Moss, William H.
Mundell, Thomas J

61st IL Infantry
Schnitker, Frederick

82nd IL Infantry
Meyer, William

101st IL Infantry
Buck, Albert
Coffield, Alfred H.
Fox, Martin
† Fozzard, James B.
Green, William Jackson
Hofferberth, George
Karr, Peter
Kenworthy, Joseph S.
Mains, James
Mathews, Benjamin C.
† Mathews, Franklin E.
Miller, John R.
† Morrison, John
† Russell, William G.
Strickland, Jonathan
Wedeking, John

113th IL Infantry

Bennett, Samuel
Dunn, John
Jackson, Milton

114th IL Infantry

Blanford, James
Filey, William H.
Hansmeier, August
Kuechler, Edward
Meyer, Carl Edward
Phillippi, Victor
Schmehl, Conrad
Trieber, Christian
Webster, Thomas

115th IL Infantry

Brim, Peter
Clark, John S.
Duval, Henry
Fricke, Herman
† Jackson, Elijah
Jackson, Thomas
Rahn, John
† Telkemeyer, Henry
Trieber, Christian (transfer to 115th Veteran Reserve Corps)
Unland, George
† Weeks, William H. H.

120th IL Infantry

Bennett, Samuel

121st IL Infantry

Robertson, Alexander

154th IL Infantry

Becker, Fred
Becker, John

IL 2nd Cav

Bennett, Samuel

IL 3rd Cav

Phelps, Henry
Klinstiber, George F.
Wood, William

IL 6th Cav

Jackson, George

65th IN Infantry

Jackson, George

120th IN Infantry

Jackson, George

1st MO Infantry

Sinclair, George

11th MO Infantry

Plank, Peter
Yeck, Jacob H.

12th MO Infantry

Kircher, Henry A.

63rd IN Infantry

Divver, Joseph

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Sinclair, George

Not determined:

Buchamp, William
Peank, Henry
Schaefer, John
Thomas, William

