OCCGS Civil War Veterans Project

Veteran's Information

Veteran's Name: Jesse Dyer Bowley

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Birth Date: 20 September 1820 13

Location: Orland, Hancock County, Massachusetts 13

Death Date: 26 September 1887 11

Location: Westminster, Orange County, California 12

Buried at (Cemetery): Santa Ana Cemetery 10, 11

Plot Location: I (17, 3, 8)

GPS Coordinates: N33° 46' 06.41826" W117° 50' 21.97941"

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

Side Served: Union¹

Rank: Private Company: I

Unit: 46th Infantry Regiment

State: Massachusetts

Occupation: Farmer, Market-Gardener, Carpenter

Family Information

Parents -

Father: Oliver Bowley 13

Birth Date/Location: 1774, Massachusetts ⁶

Death Date/Location: BET 1850 and 1860, Massachusetts

Mother: Rebecca C. Sparks ¹³

Birth Date/Location: 1784, Massachusetts 6

Death Date/Location: BET 1860 and 1870, Massachusetts

Spouse: Juliet S. Grozier 3, 10, 15

Birth Date/Location: 3 July 1823, Massachusetts ⁷ Death Date/Location: BET 1900 and 1910, California

Marriage Date/Location: 26 September 1843, Orlando, Hancock County, Maine ²

Children -

Name: Freeman Sparks Bowley 3,9

Birth Date/Location: 10 April 1847, Maine 7

Death Date/Location: 24 January 1903, San Francisco County, California 8,9

Additional Information

Member of Sedgwick Post No 17, GAR

U.S. Civil War Soldier Records and Profiles

Enlisted 9 February 1862, mustered in 24 September 1862, mustered out 29 July 1863 at Hampden Park, Springfield, Massachusetts

- Jesse's son Freeman served as a 1st Lieutenant in Company H, 30th US Colored Infantry Regiment
- Jesse's grandson Bennett Hart Bowley was a Paymaster Clerk, US Navy
- Jesse's great grandson Bennett Hart Bowley, Jr. was a Captain in the US Army during World War I
- Los Angeles Times newspaper (March 19, 1896, page 13) reported Bowley's partial remains were found when workers were digging the grave for Civil War veteran Oliver F. Oberr. Bowley was buried here first and then his remains were later dug up and sent to San Francisco per the family's request. His found partial remains were buried at the bottom end of the grave that he now shares with Civil War Veteran, Oliver F. Oberr.

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