OCCGS Civil War Veterans Project

Veteran's Information

Veteran's Name: Conrad "Charles" GRUEN, Rev.

Birth Date: 8 December 1847

Location: Stratford, Canada Year of Immigration: 1861

Death Date: 12 December 1923

Location: Santa Ana, Orange County, California

Buried at (Cemetery): Santa Ana Cemetery

Plot Location: N(18, 3, 3)

GPS Coordinates: N33° 46' 08.98576" W117° 50' 27.01843"

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

Side Served: Union

Rank: Captain

Company: Unknown

Unit: Unknown State: Unknown

Occupation: Minister

Family Information

Parents -

Father: Balthazor Gruen

Birth Date/Location: 6 March 1802, Germany

Death Date/Location: 28 February 1895, Outagamie County, Wisconsin

Mother: Catharina Schmidt

Birth Date/Location: 27 September 1821, France

Death Date/Location: 19 October 1893, Outagamie County, Wisconsin

Spouse: Barbara Weiners

Birth Date / Location: June 1856, Wisconsin

Death Date/Location: 22 March 1932, Orange County, California

Marriage Date / Location: 2 September 1875, Fountain City, Buffalo County, Wisconsin

Children -

Name: Anna M. "Annie" Gruen

Birth Date / Location: 21 October 1877, Wisconsin

Death Date / Location: 22 October 1883, Orange County, California

Name: Alvin H. Gruen

Birth Date / Location: 1878, Wisconsin

Death Date / Location: 3 September 1916, El Valle, Mexico

Name: Louis Conrad Gruen

Birth Date / Location: 4 December 1881, Outagamie County, Wisconsin Death Date / Location: 10 February 1951, Orange County, California

Name: Oscar L. Gruen

Birth Date / Location: 10 August 1883, Orange County, California Death Date / Location: 4 December 1883, Orange County, California

Name: Clara B Gruen (O'Meara)

Birth Date / Location: 29 August 1884, California

Death Date / Location: 25 December 1966, Anaheim, Orange County, California

Name: Harry Joseph Gruen

Birth Date / Location: 27 March 1892, San Francisco County, California Death Date / Location: 13 April 1963, Los Angeles County, California

Additional Information

After the Civil War, Conrad Gruen was a minister in the Evangelical Church and the United Methodist Church in California. He was appointed to the Santa Ana Grand Avenue United Methodist Church in 1882, 1894, 1894, and 1901, the Anaheim Evangelical Church in 1883 and 1893, and the Los Angeles Grace United Methodist Church in 1897.

Conrad's son, Alvin, was a member of the Sixth United States Infantry and was with General Pershing's punitive expedition.

Photograph of tombstone for Rev Charles Gruen, Santa Ana Cemetery, Orange County, California taken by Charles Lewis Beal, 2.26/2007. Used with the permission of Charles Beal.

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- Record for C. Gruen
- Record Barbara Gruen

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- Record for Harry J Gruen, Mother's Maiden Name: Weiner
- Record for Louis Conrad Gruen, Mother's Maiden Name: Weiner
- Record for Clara B O'Meara

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- 1888, Alameda, California, Conrad Gruen
- 1892, San Francisco, California, Conrad Gruen
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Findagrave.com, searchable data base of cemeteries with tombstone inscriptions, memorials and photographs

- Memorial 18088680, Created by Charles Lewis Beal, Record for Charles Gruen
- Memorial 10279211, Created by Eldora Sasser, Record for Barbara Weiners Gruen
- Memorial 10279207, Created by Eldora Sassar, Record for Anna M Gruen
- Memorial 10279196, Created by Eldora Sassar, Record for Louis Conrad Green
- Memorial 10283106, Created by Eldora Sassar, Record for Clara B. O'Meara
- Memorial 10279193, Created by Eldora Sassar, Record for Harry J. Green
- Memorial 10279217, Created by Eldora Sasser, Record for Oscar L Gruen
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- Memorial 60322088, Created by Donnaz, Record for Catherine Green

Santa Ana Register, Santa Ana, California, Thursday, December 13, 1923, Pg 3, Col 1

Death Notice, Rev. Conrad Gruen

"Death Claims S.A. Pioneer Minister", Santa Ana Register, Santa Ana, California, Thursday, December 13, 1923, Pg 2, Col 2

"Parents Here Await Soldier Son's Body", Santa Ana Register, Santa Ana, California, Thursday, September 7, 1916, Pg 3, Col 2

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