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Born at Dover, Kent County, Delaware, October 9, 1822.

Son of William Sykes and _____

(His grandfather, James Sykes, was Governor of Delaware, 1801-02)

Married, Elizabeth Goldsborough (daughter of Robert Goldsborough of Cambridge, Maryland) at _____, _____, on _____, 18__.

Children

As 1st Lieutenant, 3d U.S. Infantry, came to New Mexico in 1849, and was in the Navajo Country during that and the following year; on recruiting service, 1850-52, stationed at Fort Union, N.M., 1852-55; engaged in skirmishes against Apaches, March 4, April 9 and June 30, 1854; stationed at Fort Fillmore, N.M., 1855-57 and participated in the Gila Expedition, 1857; on frontier duty at Los Lunas, N.M., 1858-59; participated in the Navajo Expedition of 1859 and was stationed at Fort Defiance a part of that year.

Died at Fort Brown, Cameron County, Texas, February 8, 1880, aged 58.

Buried, National Cemetery, West Point, New York.

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