

# PURCELL, HENRY CLAY

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PURCELL, HENRY CLAY, born in Bowling Green, Warren County, Kentucky, June 4, 1838; son of James Purcell; married Lola Ramirez (1873-1926), age 14, at Tombstone, A.T., September 25, 1887; children, William Henry, Mary Winona (Mrs. ) and Evalina Christina (Mrs. Henry Helm).

Enrolled, age 24, at Whiskeytown, Shasta County, May 6, 1863, and mustered in at Stockton, May 16, 1863, to serve 3 years as Private, Captain Gilbert T. Witham's Company M, 1st California Cavalry; stationed at Camp Union, Sacramento, California, until February, 1864; went via Drum Barracks, Fort Yuma and Tucson and arrived at Fort Goodwin, A.T., in March, 1864; marched to Las Cruces, New Mexico, in April and was stationed there until October, 1864; joined the expedition commanded by Colonel Christopher Carson against the Kiowa and Comanche Indians and participated in the Battle of Adobe Walls, November 25, 1864; returned to Las Cruces in January and stationed there until May, 1865; marched to Fort Seldon, N.M., in July, 1865, and was honorably discharged at that Post on May 6, 1866.

Enlisted in the Regular Army, May 10, 1870, at San Francisco, and assigned to Company K, 1st U.S. Cavalry; occupation when enlisted - Teamster; joined the Company in July and on December 31, 1870 was reported as Hospital Attendant at Camp Grant, A.T.; transferred, January 6, 1871, to Company H, 3d U.S. Cavalry, and served as Hospital Steward at Camp Grant until December 17, 1871 when the Company left for Fort D.A. Russell, Wyoming, where he was honorably discharged for disability on August 18, 1873.

Came to Tombstone, A.T., about 1882; Comrade, Kehoe Post No. 102, G.A.R., at Bisbee, 1886; moved to Phoenix in the Nineties; sold lot 4, block 3, Palo Alto Addition to Phoenix on August 5, 1901, for \$1000.

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Died at Phoenix, Maricopa County, Arizona, March 26, 1916, aged 77;  
buried, Forest Lawn Cemetery, Phoenix, Arizona.

#### SOURCES OF INFORMATION

Orton, R.H. - Records of California Men in the War of the Rebellion,  
Sacramento, 1890, p. 166.  
U.S. Census, 1850, Warren County, Kentucky.  
The Adjutant General of the Army - Military service records.  
U.S. Veterans Administration - Pension records, W.C. 809,572.  
The Arizona Republican, Phoenix, March 29, 1916, p. 6, c. 2 and c.3 (obituary);  
March 11, 1926, Sec. 2, p. 7, c. 4 (death of his wife).