

Civil War Veterans buried in the St Joseph Cemetery, Burlington, VT

William Francis

John Richard Fisher - Dec 2013

Service: substitute - Enlisted 7/23/63 age 19 in Burlington, VT

Mustered In: 7/23/63, PVT, Co. C, 2nd VT INF

Wounded at the Battle of the Wilderness on 5/5/64

Mustered Out: 7/15/65

Birth: 08/16/1845, Burlington, VT - Baptized 25 Oct 1846 at the Cathedral, Burlington, VT

Married: William Francis & Marie Viens on 27 Sep 1865 at St Joseph, Burlington, VT

Death: William Henry Francis, shoemaker, on 16 Dec 1910 at 35 King St, Burlington, VT

Parents were James Francis, born England, and Amelia Ross (Rouillard) born Trois Rivieres, Quebec

Death: Mary Viens Francis on 6 Sep 1918 in Burlington, VT; dau of Louis Viens and Margaret Cummings

Baptisms at the Cathedral, Burlington, VT

DayYear	Given name	Father	Mother	Godfather	GF	Godmother
25 Oct 1846	William	Francis, James	Ross, Amelia	Budeliu, Joseph		Ross, Catherine
21 Apr 1844	Ellen	Francis, James	Ross, Mary	Ross, Edward		Bolae, Sophia
8 Jul 1849	Elmira	Francis, James	Ross, Mary	Rior, Antony		Carpenter, Catherine

Baptisms at St Joseph, Burlington, VT

Name	Father	Mother	Date Born	Date Baptized	Godfather	Godmother
Francois, Zephirin	Francois, Jacques	Rouillard, Marie	7 Oct 1852	21 Nov 1852	Robert, Moise	Rouillard, Adele
Francois, Andre Simon	Francois, Jacques	Rouillard, Marie	28 Feb 1855	12 Apr 1855	Rouillard, Baptiste	Pontbriand, Marguerite
Francis, Guillaume	Francis, Guillaume	Viens, Marie	11 Jul 1866	13 Jul 1866	Deguisse, Nere	Pager, Julie
Francis, Henry	Francis, William	Vien, Marie	28 (...)	04 May 1868	Francis, Jean	Goucz, Marie
Francis, Olive	Francis, William	Vien, Marie	24 Apr 1869	25 Apr 1869	Francis, Salomon	Vien, Olive
Francis, Marie Edmire	Francis, Guillaume	Viens, Marie	31 Aug 1873	07 Sep 1873	Daiguise, Augustin	Viens, Edmire
Francis, Guillaume	Francis, Guillaume	Viens, Marie	22 Feb 1876	5 Mar 1876	Mathieu, Guillaume	Prince, Judith
Francis, Salomon	Francis, Wm.	Viens, Marie	15 Mar 1881	20 Mar 1881	Francis, Clodomir	Francis, Edmire
Francis, Louis	Francis, Wm.	Viens, Marie	30 Mar 1883	1 Apr 1883	Pelletier, Louis	Viens, Olive
Francis, Marie	Francis, Wm.	Viens, Marie	26 Jun 1885	12 Jul 1885	Francis, Andre	Baril, Marie

James Francis and Marie Rouillard had 2 children's baptisms and 2 deaths in the Sorel area in the 1830's
 1850 Census Burlington - **His Parents and he** - James age 46 Shoemaker born Nova Scotia & Mary age 39 and children Salomon, Amelia, Mary, Ellen, William H age 3 and Almira

1860 Census Burlington - **His Parents** - James born Canada age 54; Mary age 54 born Canada

1870 Census Burlington - William & Mary and Melvina age 1

1880 Census Burlington - Lake St.; gunshot wound; wife Mary; Olive, Judi, Almira & William

1890 Veteran Schedule - William Francis in Burlington and had a leg wound

1900 Census Colchester - He born Aug 1845 New York, she Mar 1851 Vermont?; son Louis Mar 1883 age 17

1910 Census Burlington - Born New York and Canada ; 35 King St

2nd Vermont Infantry

From Aug. 14 to Sep. 13, 1863, the brigade was stationed in New York to guard against rioting and then rejoined the corps. Winter quarters were occupied with the Army of the Potomac near the Rapidan and a large number of members of the regiment reenlisted. The command continued in the field as a veteran organization and broke camp May 4, 1864, for the Wilderness campaign. **On the opening day of the fight at the Wilderness, William was shot in the leg,** Col. Stone was killed and Lt Col. Tyler fatally wounded. A number of the bravest officers and men perished in the month following, during which the Vermont Brigade fought valiantly day after day with wonderful endurance, at the famous "bloody angle" at Spotsylvania, at Cold Harbor and in the early assaults on Petersburg. On July 10 it formed a part of the force ordered to hasten to Washington to defend the city against Gen. Early, and shared in the campaign in the Shenandoah Valley which followed - the fatiguing marches and counter-marches and the battles of Charlestown, Fisher's Hill, Winchester and Cedar Creek. During the last named battle the brigade held its ground when it seemed no longer tenable and only withdrew when it was left alone. Returning with the 6th Corps to Petersburg in December, it participated in the charge on March 25, 1865, and the final assault April 2, after which it joined in the pursuit of Lee's army and was active at the battle of Sailor's Creek, April 6, where it is said to have fired the last shot of the 6th Corps. The service of the 2nd closed with participation in the grand review of the Union armies at Washington, after which it returned to Burlington. The original members who did not reenlist were mustered out on June 29, 1864, the veterans and recruits at Washington, July 15, 1865.

Ancestry of William Francis

James Francis (born 1782) & Mary Nantz or Nanci Wed
James Francis Shoemaker (born 12 Jun 1807 Nova Scotia) & Marie Ruyeau /Rouillard/Ross Wed 25 Feb 1830 Anglican Christ Church, Sorel, Quebec
William Francis & Marie Viens Wed 27 Sep 1865 at St Joseph, Burlington, VT