

Veterans with Roots in Edwards

From Military and Cemetery Sources in Edwards History Center

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Since Veterans Day occurs during the month of November, it is fitting that those who were in the service during the conflicts through WWII and are recorded in Edwards, be brought from the local archives to be honored by those who have benefited by their selfless efforts. More information on many of these people can be researched in the Edwards History Center by making an appointment with the [Historian, LaVerne Freeman](#) at 562-3500.

Revolutionary War – Buried in Edwards



Pvt. Abel Pratt

NH, Cont'l Green Mountain Boys at Ticonderoga. In the Quebec, Canada Expedition. Service to 1780. Born 1757. Died 1840 in Edwards. Buried Payne Cemetery.

William Cotton
Joseph Matteson
Abel Pratt
Noah Shaw
Eliphalet Smith
Ephraim Stiles



Pvt. Eliphalet Smith

MA. Served in Boston Siege, Battles of Stillwater and Ticonderoga, and was at Valley Forge. Born Sandisfield, MA in 1759. Died 1849 Edwards. Buried Riverside Cemetery. Epitaph on bottom of stone - A Revolutionary Soldier who fought for the liberty we now enjoy.

Spanish-American War - Buried in Edwards



Sgt. Frank Wesley Ingraham

Co. A, 9th Reg't, Infantry, U.S. Army, served in the Philippines during the Spanish-American War and then was sent to China where his outfit was active in the Boxer Rebellion. He returned to his native Edwards to live where his medals were preserved by his family. Died 1962, age 89, and buried in Fairview Cemetery

Martin Henry Hogue
 Frank Wesley Ingraham
 Alexander Oswald Noyes
 Herbert Wheeler

Civil War

Edwards Records - not all buried here

Some of these enlisted here, but lived in other communities

* Died in Service



Pvt. Horace Barnes

9th Reg't, Cavalry, NY Volunteers. 1816- 6 June 1862. Died in a hospital in Washington, D.C. of a fever. Buried in Arlington National Cemetery, Virginia



Thomas McFerran

Died from disease contracted in Potsdam at the Rendevous, on 7 Feb 1862. Buried Riverside Cemetery, Edwards

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Charles Adams * George F. Allen <li style="padding-left: 2em;">Ira Allen <li style="padding-left: 2em;">John Allen <li style="padding-left: 2em;">(Russell) Asa Allen <li style="padding-left: 2em;">Wilbur Allen * William Backus * Asrow J. Bannister * Horace Barnes * Horace Barnes II <li style="padding-left: 2em;">Calvin Beach <li style="padding-left: 2em;">Miles Beach Samuel T. Bennett Horace W. Bowen Edwin E. Brand Asa Henry Brayton Walter Bronson * Harvey Brown Richard Bruner Robert Bruner William Bullock Solomon Burr Calvin Burt (last entry in book) George Carpenter Noah Carpenter Andrew Clark Joseph Cleveland James M. Cole George Cotton Asa Daniels Henry O. Daniels | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> H.P. Henderson * Alfred Heaton * Thomas Paine Houck <li style="padding-left: 2em;">William Houck <li style="padding-left: 2em;">Thomas Ivers (spy) <li style="padding-left: 2em;">Anson J. Ives 2nd <li style="padding-left: 2em;">* Edward Ives David Anderson Jones Levi Orlando Jones * Henry O. Kelley Lucius Alonzo King <li style="padding-left: 2em;">Henry King <li style="padding-left: 2em;">Isaac King Charles Leonard Grover Leonard Ormal Leonard Joel N. Lillie Newman Little Stillman Loop William MaKee John D. McBroom * James McFerran William John McFerran Thomas McFerran <li style="padding-left: 2em;">John Moffit <li style="padding-left: 2em;">John Monier George D. Morrison Orville Morrison Ozias Noble Thomas Noble Silas Norman |
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Pvt. George E. Finley

Served Co. A, 8th Reg't Wis. Inf., from 13 Aug 1861 to 16 Sep 1864. Discharged at Memphis, Tenn. He returned to Town of Fine where he spent his life.



Erskine M. Parmelee

7ty Inf. Reg't NY Vol.



Sgt. Sanford D. Parmelee

Co. L., 9th Cavalry Reg't of Buford's Division, NY Vol. Joined army 22 Nov 1861 at Russell, NY. Killed during a cavalry charge near Brandy Station, VA on 11 Oct 1863. He was buried on the battlefield. The Edwards chapter of the GAR (Grand Army of the Republic) was named in his honor.



Silas Bennett Wood

- * James Arthur Daniels
- Leander Daniels
- Charles Leaser Davenport
- Charles E. Demmons
- * Hannibal Downs
- James B. Downs
- John D. Downs
- Michael Dulack
- Daniel Earl
- Eli P. Earl
- Franklin Earl
- Homer Earl
- * Royal Earl
- Thomas Elliot
- Henry Ferguson
- Israel Ferguson
- Milo Ferguson
- George E. Finley (enlisted Wis)
- George Washington Flack
- * John Fletcher
- James H. Fordham
- Amos Fowler
- James Fowler
- * Theodosius Fowler
- Henry Gaddis
- George Gage
- * Henry R. Gale
- Harris Gardner
- George Gates
- * Harvey W. Gates
- Nelson Gates
- Lucian Gates
- Warren Glasby (1st in records)
- Justus Picket Gordon
- Squire Charles Gordon
- John Gore
- * William Gotham
- Thomas Grant
- Robert Brodie Grieve
- * A.D.C. Guild
- William G.A. Guild
- * James E. Guiles
- * George K. Haile
- Erwin Hall
- Silas B. Hall
- Hiram Harlow
- James W. Harmon
- Henry Harris
- Wright Havens
- Guy C. Heath
- Philemon Heath
- William H. Noyes
- Charles Oliver (missing)
- * Wesley Oliver
- Erskine M. Parmelee
- * Sanford D. Parmelee (GAR post)
- David Peters
- Horace Picket
- Justus Picket
- Martin Rasse
- Leverett Raymond (last survivor)
- Lewis Raymond
- Clark Ries
- James Rushton
- Robert Sellars
- Alonzo Sampton
- * Elijah W. Shaw
- Stephen Shaw
- Lawrence Shene
- Barney Smith
- * Wilbur Spencer
- Riley Saulsbury Spicer
- William Riley Spicer
- Linn James Sprague
- Warden Stammer
- Joseph Stephenson
- James Streeter
- Joseph Tarbell (Indian)
- Benjamin C. Thair
- Alpheus Thompkins
- Ansil W. Thompkins
- Giles Thompkins
- Guiles Thompson
- Joseph Trongo
- James, E. VanOrnum
- *George Myron VanOrnum
- John Vebber
- William H. Weir (missing)
- * Isaac White
- Charles, V. Whitford
- Sidney A. Whitford
- F.G. Whittier
- James Harvey Winslow
- John Henry Winslow
- Nehemiah Wiley
- A.J. Williams
- Silas Bennett Wood
- Philo Wolcott
- * Frederick Benjamin Woolever
- Harvey Woolever
- Hiram Albert Woolever
- * William Orlando Woolever
- Warren H. Wright

August 6, 1821-April 13, 1868
 Civil War veteran, Company D, 60th Infantry, Regiment
 N.Y.S.V. Served 2 enlistments. Buried in South Edwards
 Cemetery.

Total enrollment = 165

Total died in service = 31



Memorial to Edwards area veterans on the lawn of the library

World War I

* Died in Service



Pvt. Eugene Lorenzo Davis
 1677112, Company D 18th Infantry, US
 Army. Killed during World War I in France, 18 Sept. 1918,
 buried in Fairview Cemetery, Edwards

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| Paul Bancroft | Walter Nobes |
| Grover Barnes | Fay Peters |
| Foster Barker | Harley Pratt |
| Everett Beach | Clarence Rice, Sr. |
| Merton Bell | Kenneth Rutherford |
| Albert Burchenough | Arnil Scott |
| Ellis Boscoe | Arthur Scott |
| Howard Brayton | Emory Scott |
| Joseph Brouse | John Scott |
| Charles Brown | * Ernest Serviss |
| Harry Brown | George Seymour |
| Jay Brown | Ralph Simons |
| Robert Brown | Everett Stevens |
| Leslie Burnett | Roland Spaulding |
| Benjamin Butler | Howard Stitt |
| Amos Campbell | Jerry Sullivan |
| * Ernest Canfield | Don T. Todd |
| Frank Ciambrone | Frank Walrath |
| Grant Cleland | Wilton Watson |
| Briggs Coleny | Grant Webb |
| Fred Compo | Stanton Webb |
| Claude Congdon | Arthur Whitmarsh |



Pvt. Truman David Guinup

Born in Oswegatchie, 9 Oct 1897, Died 9 May 1962 in Elmira, NY. Enlisted in the US Army in 1918 and honorably discharged in 1919



Arnil L. Scott

WWI, Member of American Legion, Gouverneur, 1897-1945, buried South Edwards Cemetery



Don Thomas Todd

Ensign, U.S. Navy WWI. Life resident of Edwards. Owned and operated Edwards Telephone Co. until his death in 1948. Buried Fairview Cemetery, Edwards.

- Edgar Davis
- * Eugene Davis
- Glenn Davis
- William Dawley
- Charles Downey
- Edmund Dulack
- Ernest Ellis
- David Gardner
- Everett Goolden
- Vernon Grant, Sr.
- Truman Guinup
- Neil Hale
- Theron Hall
- Howard Harmon
- Harry Hart
- * Leslie Holly
- Floyd Hosmer
- Howard Javall
- Edward Keenan
- Walter LaCross
- William LaRock
- Albert LaTray
- Walter Lytle
- George MacGee
- Wallace Marcott
- Arthur Matthews
- Emory Maybee
- Earl Meldrim
- Charles Miner
- Fred Miner
- George Miner
- Oscar Miner
- Erving Morris
- Samuel Morris
- Lewis Morrison
- Floyd Morrow
- Glenn Morrow
- William Morrow
- Jack Murdie
- Clarence Nettles

- Earl Whitmarsh
- Horton Williams
- Calvin Wood
- Lawrence Woodcock
- Alfred Woods
- Max Worthington
- Fred Youmans



Glenn Landon Davis

Born June 8, 1899 ... He enlisted in the US Army at age 18 at the recruiting station in Watertown NY. Mr. Davis obtained the rank of Private while serving in the 8th Balloon Company in France during WWI. He received an honorable discharge from the US Army at Camp Upton, Long Island, NY on May 19, 1919. He was stationed in Turlan France where he met with his three brothers, Everil (Jack), Edgar (Bob) and Harold. The four brothers were all released from duty with honorable discharges and returned to upstate New York where they continued their adult lives. Mr. Davis married Vera Katherine Noble. He worked in the Edwards mines as a teamster for a number of years. They later purchased a farm just outside the village of Edwards living there until retiring due to health problems in 1952. They were the parents of three children, Robert, Jean and Mary. Another son Glenn, died at birth. He died on December 24, 1962 at the Sunmount VA Hospital in Tupper Lake after spending much time there due to lung problems caused by poison gas used by the Germans in WWI.

Total Enrollment = 91

Total died in service = 4

World War II

* Died in service

+ woman in service



PFC. Olan K. Brayton

330 Signal Corp U.S. Army. Fought in the Philippines. Was in the Bataan Death March. Died 25 Aug 1942 as a POW in Japanese Camp Cabanatuan, Luzon Island. Buried in U.S. Military Cemetery, Manila, Philippines. First casualty of WWII from Edwards and first citizen from St. Lawrence Co. to die in a Japanese POW camp. Local VFW post named for him.



PFC. Thomas W. Brayton

C. 506 101 Airborne. Enlisted 1942 - Discharged 1945. Fought in the Battle of the Bulge - Wounded twice.



Robert Noble Davis

US Navy, Seaman First Class, Honorable Discharge 12 January 1946, awarded bronze star 20 April 1944

Edward Adams
Linden Aldridge
Floyd Aldridge
William Aldridge
Adelbert Ashley
Leonard Baker
Daniel Barraford
Clyde Barrett
Carlo Basso
Walter Baxter
Lyle Black
Lynn Black
Thomas Black
Francis Blackmore
Bernard Boulet
Gervaise Boulet
Clyde Bowman
Kenneth Bowman
* Olan Keith Brayton
Thomas Brayton
Harry Brown
Maclyn Brown
Robert Brown
William Brown
Elmer Dean Bridgeland
James (Jay) Bridgeland
Michael Butcher
Donald Campbell
+ Doris Cassidy
Armand Clark
William Clark
Chester Cole
Floyd Cole
Kenneth Cole
Ives Cleland
William Cleland
Robert Davis
Robert Dawley
William Dawley
Donald Denton
Hiram Dusharm
Wilfred Ellis
Ronald Farr
* Arthur Fenner
Lester Fenner
Ronald Flynn
Frank Gagnon
James Gagnon
Everett Given
Stanley Given
Donald Goodheart
Vernon Grant, Jr.
Bert Guiles
Francis Guiles
Harry Guiles
Ellsworth Hall
Gerald Hall
Clarence Hansen, Jr.



Kermit K. Jones

Went into the Navy Aug 1942. Served in Midway and Hawaii. Discharged Dec 1945 with rank of RT 2/c



Sgt. James B. Kirkbride

Signal Corp., U.S. Army. Served Jan 1, 1943 - Nov 30, 1945.



Pvt. Earl Reed, Jr.

Edwards village. Killed by enemy fire 1 Sep 1944 while landing on a beach in northwestern France. Buried in Brittany American Cemetery for fallen servicemen, St. James, Manche, France



James Skeldon

Enlisted Aug 25, 1942. After basic training he was stationed at Pearl Harbor aboard the submarine, the USS Swordfish 193. He and 84 other sailors were on patrol when the Swordfish was



Arthur Blaine Fenner

died 13 June 1944, age 21, stationed in Italy



Lester D. Fenner

Army Air Force WWII, retired in 1968 as a Major



Stanley Gagnon

Inducted into Army Oct 30, 1942. Was in the 385th Engineer Co. Spent three months in Great Britain. Discharged Dec 1943 because of illness



PFC. A. Everett Hurley

Talcville. Died 4 Feb 1945, Biak Island, New Guinea. Buried St. James Cemetery, Gouverneur

- + Helen Hansen
- + Marjorie Hansen
- James Hamilton
- William Hosmer
- Cecil Howard
- * Allan Everett Hurley
- Lawrence Hurley
- Melvin Hurley
- Merton Hurley
- Robert Hurley
- Kenneth Johnson
- Everett Jones
- Glenn Jones
- Harold Jones, Jr.
- Kermit Jones
- Harold Kelsey
- Millard Kio
- Leo LaLonde
- Ronald Lamica
- Max Lanphear
- Lewis Lashua
- Carl Lashuay
- Hubert Lathan
- Millard Leary
- Earl Lumley
- Donald Manchester
- John Manzolati
- George Marsh
- Joel Marsh
- Rene Mechin
- Lee Meldrim
- Donald Miller
- + Eleanor Morrow
- Richard Morrow
- Ray McCollum
- John McKee
- Erwin Neil
- John Nicholas
- Michael Nicholas
- Maurice Oâ€™™ Neil
- Herbert Padgett
- George Payne
- Clifford Pratt
- Donald Pratt
- William Pratt
- Clifford Putman
- Carl Randall, Jr.
- Charles Rathbun
- + Ruth Ray
- * Earl Reed, Jr.
- Rollin Reed
- + Rosalie Reed
- Douglas Rice
- Edwin Rice
- John Rice
- Kenneth Rice
- Merton Rice
- William C. Rice

lost Jan, 12, 1945. He was awarded the Good Conduct and Purple Heart medals.



Clarence A. Hansen, Jr. "Sonny" or "Cal"

Enlisted in the Army Reserve on 12 Nov 1942 while a student of technical electricity at New York State Ag and Tech Institute in Canton. Ordered to active duty on the 1 April 1943 before finishing full course of study. Separated from the service on the 24 April 1946, with 37 months of active service. Received the Good Conduct Medal, American Theater Service Medal and the European-African Middle Eastern Theater Medal.



Carl M. Randall, Jr.

Inducted into the army Feb 25, 1943 as Pvt. Spent from Apr 1943 - Dec 1945 in the Asiatic Pacific Theater in Alaska. Discharged 1945 as Sgt.



Silas Woodrow "Woody" Whitford

Drafted 23 Dec 1942 and was discharged 29 Dec 1945. He was farmer at induction. Time spent overseas - 29 Jan 1944 to 22 July 1945. He was in the European Theater of Operation and stationed in Campaigns of Norway, Northern France and Rhineland. Awards - African Theater Ribbon, European



Melvin A. Hurley
U.S. Navy, WWII. Resided in Edwards.
1924-1983. Fairview Cemetery, Edwards



Robert B. Hurley
Corporal in 15th Air Force, served in North Africa and Italy,
discharged 12 October 1945



Harold D. Jones
Inducted 18 July 1945. Served in Italy (MTO). Discharged
4 Mar 1947. Received Army of Occupation Medal and
WWII Victory Medal

Total enrollment = 135

Total died in service = 7

Total women in service = 6

Alton Royce
Gordon Schwerdfager
Award Shepard
Harvey Skeldon
* James Skeldon,
Lewis Solon
Ross Stammer
Ezra Sullivan
Stanley Todd
Charles Toth
Archie Walker
Gerald Ward
Lee Webb
Ray Webb
Silas Whitford
Claude Williams
* George Williams
Elmer Worden

African Middle Eastern Ribbon, Victory Medal. He was a PFC
in the cavalry, a truck driver and was a 2c gunner on machine
gun 30 cal.



Helen Hansen Wittich

Secretary at date of induction into Navy (WAVES) on Oct 4,
1943. Discharged Mar 2, 1946. Rank at induction A/S. Rank
at discharge SK 2C. In American theater. Awards - Hon.
Service Laper Button and Hon Discharge Emblem and Hon.
Dis. Pin.



Marjorie Hansen

Induction 1 Dec 1943 Registered Nurse. Army Nurse Corps
Rank at induction, 2nd Lieut. Discharged, 23 Mar 1946, Rank
1st Lieut. Overseas from March 1944 to December 1945.
Theater, European, England, France, Germany & Austria.
Awards, EAME campaign medal. Victory Ribbon, Meritorious
Service Unit Plaque while serving with 97th General Hospital.

Korean War

* Died in service

+ woman in service



William Harvey "Bill" Hosmer

This is a new section devoted to the Korean War. We'd like more pictures and information on those from Edwards who served in this conflict. [Please contact us](#) if you have this information.

William Harvey Hosmer

Enlisted 12 Aug 1948. Served in Korea 1 yr. 11 mo. 13 da. Was in the 984th Engr. Fld. Maint. Co. Discharged 14 June 1952. Awarded the Korean Service Medal with one bronze Service star

Total enrollment = 1

Total died in service = 0

Total women in service = 0

Viet Nam

* Died in service

+ woman in service



Gerald F. Barker, BUL 3

Joined Navy on 9/4/1963, Graduated Boot Camp on 11/23/1963. Stationed at Port Hueneme, CA, 12/1963-6/1964; ADAK, AK, 8/1964-9/1965; Mobile Construction Battalion #3 at Port Hueneme, 10/1965-8/1967. Two tours in Vietnam while with MCB #3, Chu Lai in 1966 and Phu Bai in 1967. Discharged from Long Beach, CA, 8/1967. Medals received: 1. National Defense Service Medal; Vietnam Service Medal with Fleet Marine Combat insignia and 2 Bronze Stars; and 3. Republic of Vietnam Campaign Medal with device. Navy Mobile Construction Battalion as a Carpenter in Sea Bees which is designated at Builder 3rd Class, E-4 Ranking.

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Vernon J. Allen
Gerald F. Barker



Vernon J. "Jack" Allen, Master Sgt.

Graduated from ECS in '61 and joined the Navy. Served for 4 years, 4 months. Joined the Air Force in September 1967. Stationed at Hurlburt Florida for 3 years, then went to Vietnam, Camrahn Bay, in November 1969. Served one year. there as a Survival Specialist. Next stationed at Holloman AB, New Mexico, Griffis AB in Rome NY for 3 years, RAF Bentwaters England for 2 years and Grisson AFB in Indiana for 3 years. Then went to USAF recruiter school in Texas and was assigned as the Air Force recruiter in North Syracuse for the next 8 years. Retired in 1987 as a Master Sgt. Received the Air Force Meritorious Medal, AF Commendation Medal with 2 bronze stars, AF Outstanding UN award 4 times, Good Conduct Medal 4 times, National Defense Medal, Vietnam Service Medal, Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal, Republic of Vietnam Campaign Medal, Republic of Vietnam Gallantry Cross with palm.

Total enrollment = 2

Total died in service = 0

Total women in service = 0

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