

## HENDERSON, AMOS

Name HENDERSON, AMOS  
Rank PVT Company D Unit 101 IL US INF

### Personal Characteristics

Residence JACKSONVILLE, MORGAN CO, IL Age 21 Height 5' 6 Hair BLACK  
Eyes GRAY Complexion LIGHT Marital Status SINGLE Occupation N/A  
Nativity JACKSONVILLE, MORGAN CO, IL

### Service Record

Joined When AUG 4, 1862 Joined Where JACKSONVILLE, IL  
Joined By Whom H C COFFMAN Period 3 YRS  
Muster In SEP 2, 1862 Muster In Where JACKSONVILLE, IL  
Muster In By Whom N/A Muster Out N/A  
Muster Out Where N/A Muster Out By Whom N/A  
**Remarks DISCHARGED JUN 3, 1863 AT ST LOUIS MO FOR DISABILITY**

Name HENDERSON, AMOS  
Rank PVT Company B Unit 133 IL US INF

### Personal Characteristics

Residence JACKSONVILLE, MORGAN CO, IL Age 22 Height 5' 6 Hair LIGHT  
Eyes BLACK Complexion DARK Marital Status SINGLE Occupation CLERK  
Nativity JACKSONVILLE, IL

### Service Record

Joined When MAY 2, 1864 Joined Where JACKSONVILLE, IL  
Joined By Whom J F LONGLEY Period 100 DAY  
Muster In MAY 31, 1864 Muster In Where CAMP BUTLER, IL  
Muster In By Whom N/A Muster Out SEP 24, 1864  
Muster Out Where SPRINGFIELD, IL Muster Out By Whom LT SUMNER  
**Remarks N/A**

He is listed on the Jacksonville Civil War monument and the 1872 Morgan Co. History.

From the Illinois Marriage database:

HENDERSON, AMOS	MILLER, EMMA E	10/28/1866	C/ 33	1311 MORGAN
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In the 1880 census, 1st ward, Jacksonville, Morgan Co., IL:

Amos HENDERSON	Self	M	Male	W	38	IL	Clerk In Store	OH	OH
Emily HENDERSON	Wife	M	Female	W	36	IL	Keeping House	KY	KY
Herbert HENDERSON	Son	S	Male	W	12	IL		IL	IL
Ruth HENDERSON	Dau	S	Female	W	9	IL		IL	IL
Mattie MILLER	Other	S	Female	W	38	KY	Dressmaker	KY	KY

He applied for pension June 30 1880, no state listed, assumed to be IL He died Oct 27 1927 in Jacksonville, Morgan Co., IL. His wife, Emily E., applied for pension December 29 1927 from IL.

## DEATH COMES TO AMOS HENDERSON COUNTY PIONEER

Veteran Citizen Was Born on Site of Present Opera House - Was Justice of the Peace Thirty-six Years.

Amos Henderson, born more than eighty-five years ago in small dwelling on ground now occupied by Jacksonville's business district, passed away at 8:45 o'clock this morning at his home, 412 East Douglas avenue. He was 85 years, 11 months and 7 days old, and one of the oldest Jacksonville natives.

Mr. Henderson's health had not been good for several days, but he continued his insurance and real estate business until a year and a half ago. For thirty-six years he served as a justice of the peace, so that he became better known to the present generation as Squire Henderson.

The decedent saw Jacksonville grow from a struggling village in the forties to a modern city, with business houses on and surrounding the site of his old home, where the Illinois theatre now stands.

His memory was rich with early day happenings in Jacksonville. He could remember of his father telling of the day when Jacksonville was platted for a village.

During his long life, Mr. Henderson practiced law, served as a justice of the peace, ran a store and engaged in insurance and real estate business. For many years he was one of the community's most active and best known citizens.

Mr. Henderson was born here Nov. 20, 1841, the son of Smiley H. and Elizabeth Henderson, natives of Ross county, Ohio, who came to Greene county, Ill., before Morgan county was surveyed. Smiley Henderson passed through Jacksonville in 1826, when this city was being laid out, on his return from the Indian trading post at Beardstown. He purchased the corner lot where the opera house building now stands for the sum of \$75.

Read Law With Yates.

Amos Henderson received his education in the public schools, having attended the old Jefferson school when it was housed in a frame building, and subsequently graduated from Berean college, after which he read law for three years with Judge Bordan and Richard Yates.

In July of 1862 Mr. Henderson enlisted in Company D of the 101st Regiment, Illinois Volunteer Infantry. In that regiment he was engaged mostly in skirmishing. Because of illness he was mustered out in 1864, and later re-enlisted in Company B, 133rd Illinois Volunteer Infantry, in which he served until the close of the war.

After the war Mr. Henderson returned to Jacksonville and for several years conducted a grocery store and confectionery on the corner of West State street and the square.

Later in life he was elected to the office of justice of the peace, and carried on several other lines of endeavors with this work.

Married Sixty-one Years.

On Oct. 28, 1866, he was united in marriage with Emeline Miller, a native of this city. Mr. and Mrs. Henderson were schoolmates at an early age. Mrs. Henderson, who is now past 84 years of age, survives. The aged couple would have observed their sixty-first wedding anniversary tomorrow.

Mr. Henderson was for a long period of years active in Odd Fellowship. During 1876 he served as Grand Master of the lodge in Illinois.

Besides his wife he leaves one son and one daughter, Herbert Henderson, who is engaged in printing business in Decatur, and Mrs. Ruth DePew, wife of Clarence L. DePew, 412 East Douglas avenue. There is one brother, Smiley Henderson, of California; three grandchildren, Lawrence J. Henderson, Decatur; Mrs. George Stevenson, Urbana, and Miss Marian Miller DePew of New York City.

Funeral services will be held at 2:30 o'clock Saturday afternoon at the residence on Douglas avenue. Interment will be made in Diamond Grove Cemetery.

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