

Amos W. Kent military pension file (1864), Civil War, Iowa Volunteer Infantry, Co. B, Reg. 26, Private, Wapello Co., Iowa, Widow's Certificate No. 50,826, Records Relating to Pension and Bounty-Land Claims 1773-1942, Pension application files based upon service in the Civil War and Spanish American War ("Civil War and Later"), Record Group 15, Department of Veterans Affairs, National Archives Building, Washington, DC.

Notes after a cursory review of Michelle M. Roy, Feb. 2015:

- Amos W. Kent married Delilah Jones on 11 November 1858 at Mahaska Co., Iowa. By John Jay, a minister of the gospel.
- Gabriel Jones and May E. Jones of Wapello Co., Iowa, were witnesses to their wedding.
- Amos W. Kent was mustered into service 26 Feb. 1864.
- He received mortal wounds during the Battle of Mark's Mills (in Arkansas). Date of death is recorded as 25 April 1864 (which was the date of the battle) but another paper states he died of wounds a few days later.
- Resident of Cedar, Mahaska, Wapello, Iowa.
- On 24 Oct. 1864 Delilah (Jones) Kent was 30 years old and on 05 Sept. 1866 she was 32 years old (born about 1834).
- Amos W. and Delilah (Jones) Kent had two children (only heirs to Amos at his death). They were:
 - o Henry Layton Kent born 25 Oct. 1859
 - o Cornelia A. Kent b 18 Sept. 1863
- Delilah Kent died summer of 1895 at Kirckville, Wapello, Iowa.

Boy # 32029
Curt. 50826
Delilah Kent.

of

Bundle # 32

Fairfield
WAR OF 1861.

Act of July 14, 1862.

CLAIM FOR WIDOW'S PENSION.

50,826

BRIEF in the case of Delilah Kent widow of
Amos W. Kent Priv Co, 13th Illth Iowa Vol

resident of Wapella County and State of Iowa
Post Office address Riskville

DECLARATION AND IDENTIFICATION IN DUE FORM.

PROOF EXHIBITED.

Service.

The Adjutant General reports Amos W. Kent
mustered a private May 26th 1864

Death.

Killed in battle at Snake Mills April 25th 1864

Marriage.

A certified copy of the Co Record

Names and
dates of birth
of children.

None. Names and age given

Loyalty.

In due form

Agent and his
P. O. address.

J. Bigham Ottumwa Iowa

Admitted July 1st 1862 to a Pension of \$ 8.00 per month,
commencing April 26th 1864.

Exd

J. M. Shanley Examining Clerk.

K. S. H.

I the undersigned do hereby certify that I am
a Commissioned Officer with Frank L. Mc Nair 1st Lt.
of Co. B 36 Regiment of Iowa Infantry Vols
and was acquainted with Amos W. Kent who
was a private in said Company mustered
into the service about the 26th day of Feb 1864

That said Amos Kent was killed in battle
at or near Marks Mills in the State of Arkansas
— Sas on or about the 28th day of April 1864

Given under my hand as a Commissioned
officer of said Company at St Charles Ark
this 22^d day of April 1865.

Frank L. Mc Nair 1st Lt.
Co B 36 Iowa Infy

"B"

A. W. Kent

Co. "B" 36 Iowa Infy

Officers Certificate



STATE OF IOWA,
MAHASKA COUNTY.

} ss:

I, Samuel Thompson, County Judge, in and for said County hereby Certify, that the following is a true and correct transcript from the Records of Marriages in this County preserved in this office where the same is by law required to be kept, to-wit:

Name of Parties	Date of License	Date of Marriage	By whom married
Amos W. Kent Delilah Jones	November 9 th 1858	November 11 th 1858	John Jay Minister

Return of Certificate

On the 11th November 1858 Amos W. Kent and Delilah Jones were by me joined in the Bonds of Matrimony
John Jay
Minister

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the Seal of said County Court at Oskaloosa, this 26th day of October..... A. D. 1864.

Samuel Thompson

County Judge—



DEPARTMENT
OF THE
INTERIOR
MAY 12 1896
REVISION OFFICE



State of Iowa Wapello County

On this 24 day of October A D 1864
personally appeared before me Hugh Brown clerk of
the District Court of said County Delilah Kent aged
thirty years who being first duly sworn according to
law doth on her oath make the following
declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the
provision made by the Act of Congress Approved
July 14 1862 That she is the widow of Amos
W Kent who was a private in Company
B commanded by Capt E. L. Jay in the 36 Iowa
Infantry Regiment of Volunteers commanded
by Col C. W. Kettledge in the War of 1861
who was killed in Battle near Montgomer's Mills
in the State of Arkansas on or about the 25th
day of April 1864, or died of wounds received in
said battle in a few days thereafter

She further states that she was married to said
Amos W. Kent in the County of Mahaska said State
by Jay a Minister of the Gospel on the 11th
day of November 1858 and that her husband the
aforesaid Amos W Kent died as above stated
and that she has remained a widow ever since
said period. She further states that her said
husband left surviving him as his only heirs at
law Henry Layton Kent born October 25-1859
and Cornelia A Kent born Sept 18. 1863 (1863)
who resided with this declarant their mother
in Wapello County Iowa

All of which will appear by the proof hereto annexed
She also declares that she has not in any manner
been engaged in or aided or abetted the rebellion
in the United States

And she hereby constitutes and appoints J.
Byham of Ottumwa her attorney to prosecute
this claim

My Post office Address is Kunkle
Wapello County Iowa

Delilah Kent

Also personally appeared Gabriel Jones and
Mary E Jones residents of said County persons
whom I certify to be respectable and entitled
to credit who being by me duly sworn say
that they were present and saw said Delilah
Kent sign her name to the foregoing declaration
and they further swear that they were present and
saw said Amos Kent and said Declarant married
as stated by her in said declaration and know
her to be the widow of said Amos W Kent
and the identical person she represents herself
to be and they have no interest in this claim
or its prosecution

Gabriel Jones
Mary E Jones

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 24th day
of October 1864 and I hereby certify that I have no

interest direct or indirect in this claim or its prosecution. I further certify that the contents of the foregoing declaration and affidavit were fully made known to said declarant and the subscribing witnesses before signing, that the affiants are credible persons and the declarant the identical person she represents herself to be as I am fully satisfied.

Given under my hand and the seal of the District Court of said County (a Court of general jurisdiction) this 24th day of October 1864.

L Hugh Brown
Clerk of District Court

Pension Claims

Deborah Kent widow
of A W Kent Co B. 36 Ave

Claimant



J Bigham of Ottawa
Local Agent

State of Iowa Wapello County

On this 5th day of September 1866
personally appeared before me L
M Godley, Clerk of the District Court
of said County Delelah Kent who
being by me duly sworn says that her
age is 32 years that she resides
in Wapello County Iowa that she makes
this declaration for the purpose of obtain-
ing the benefit of the provision made
by Act of Congress of July 25, 1866
That she is the widow of Amos W
Kent who was a private in Company
"B" 36 Regiment of Iowa Infantry
in the war of 1861 who died while in
said service on the 25th day of April
1864 killed in Battle at Clark's Mills
Arkansas. That as the widow of said
Amos W Kent she is now a pensioner
of the United States inscribed on the
Pension List Roll of the Fairfield
Iowa Agency at the Rate of Eight
dollars per month, as per certificate
No. 50,826 dated July 10, 1865

That she still remains a widow and
has by her said deceased husband
two children under sixteen years of
age wholly dependent upon her for their
support and Henry L. Kent and

who was born on the 25th day of October
1857, and Cornelia A. Kent born on
the 18th day of September 1863, who are
the only children of said Amos W. Kent
her deceased husband, to whom she
was married, on the 11th day of Octo-
ber 1858, in Mahaska County Iowa
by the Rev. John Jay a minister of
the Methodist Church.

She asks that a pension certificate
be granted to her increasing her pension
to twelve dollars per month in account
of said children as provided by said
Act of Congress of July 25, 1866
And she hereby appoints S. Big Horn
of Ottumwa Iowa her agent and
attly to prosecute this claim.

Her Post Office Address is
in Wapello County at Ripkelle Iowa

Selila Kent

And on the same day personally
appeared before me Mary Jay and
Esther, Warrin residents of said
County whom I certify to be respect-
able and entitled to credit and who
being duly sworn say that they

were present and saw Mrs Delelah
Kent sign her name to the above
application. that from a long and inti-
mate acquaintance with her and the
said Amos M. Kent in his life time
they know her to be the widow of said
Amos M. Kent and the identical person
she represents herself to be and that
said Henry L Kent who was born on the
25th day of October 1859 and Cornelia Kent
born on the 18th day of September 1862
are the only children and heirs of the
said Amos M. Kent deceased that they
were present and had knowledge of their
birth at the time and have known them
ever since. That they have no interest
of any kind whatever in this application

Mary Fay

Esther Scorsio

Subscribed and sworn to before me this
5th day of September 1866

Given under my hand
and the seal of the Dist
ict Court of said County
date above

L. W. Godley
Clerk District Court

No 50826

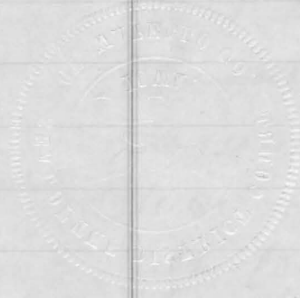
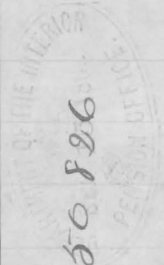
S. Kent

Increase of Pension

Forwarded by

J. Beyham Agt.

Albany
Jan



Adjutant General's Office,

Washington, D. C.,

June 22nd, 1865.

Sir:

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt from your Office of application for Pension No. 93.253, and to return it herewith, with such information as is furnished by the files of this Office.

It appears from the Rolls on file in this Office, that Amos W Kent was enrolled on the 10th day of Feb, 1864, at Ottumwa in Co. B, 36th Regiment of Iowa Volunteers, to serve three years, or during the war, and mustered into service as a Private on the 26th day of Feb 1864, at Davenport Iowa in Co. B, 36th Regiment of Iowa Volunteers, to serve three years, or during the war. On the Muster Roll of Co. "B" of that Regiment, for the months of March & April 1864, he is reported "Killed in battle at Marres Mill Ark April 25th, 1864."

I am, Sir, very respectfully

Your obedient servant, *Samuel Beck*

The Commissioner of Pensions,
Washington, D. C.

Assistant Adjutant General.

Memoranda

N. W. P.

Name of applicant _____
Address _____

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(PENSIONER DROPPED.)

U. S. Pension Agency,
Des Moines, Iowa.

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HON. WM. LOCHREN,

Commissioner of Pensions.

Sir:

I hereby report that the name of *Delilah Kent* - widow of *Amos W. - P. O. Ib. Iowa. Inf.*, who was a pensioner on the rolls of this Agency, under Certificate No. *50 826*, and who was last paid at \$ *12⁰⁰*, to *Apr - 4*, 1895, has been dropped because of death, *summer of 1895 at KirKville, Iowa.*
rep. by *P. M.*

Very respectfully,

L. H. Robinson

Pension Agent.

PENSION
U NOV 25 1895 S
OFFICE.

50,826

No. 325

ACT OF JULY 14, 1862.

Dulilah Kent

Wapello Co. Iowa

Widow

Amos W. Kent

Co. "B" 36 Iowa Vols

Killed at Mark's Mills Ark

April 25/64

Pension Office,

1865

Respectfully referred to the Adjutant General, for official evidence of service and death.

Joseph H. Barrett

Commissioner.

Received, May 12, 1865.

T. Bigham

Ottumwa

Iowa

Attorney.

R. H. A. No. 50.826.

Iowa.

Delilah Kent

Widow of Amos W. Kent

Rank Private

Company B.

Regiment 36. Iowa Vol.

Fairfield Agency.

Rate per month, \$8.

Commencing 25. April '64.

Certificate dated 10. July '65.

and sent to S. Bigham

Ottumwa

Iowa.

Act 4th July, 1862.

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on 27. Jan 5-

Wheat

P. Brigham
alias

Ottumwa

Iowa

Widow's Application for Increase of Pension.

Act of July 25, 1866.

State Iowa
Wapello } ss.
County.

On this 6 day of March 1867, personally appeared before me
The Clerk of the District Court of the Court
in and for the County and State aforesaid. Solilah Kent a resident of
Wapello Ia in the County of Wapello and State of Iowa aged 33
years, who being first duly sworn according to law, doth on her oath make the following declaration, in order to obtain the
benefit of the provision made by the second section of the act of Congress increasing the pensions of widows and orphans,
approved July 25, 1866; That she is the widow of George W. Kent who
was a Private in Company "D" commanded by G. L. Key
..... in the 36th regiment of Iowa Infy
in the war of 1861; and that by reason of his death in the service aforesaid, she has been granted a pension of eight dollars per
month, in accordance with a certificate numbered 50,826 bearing date July 10, 1865
payable at Fairfield Ia agency.

She further swears, that she has the following named children of her deceased husband and herself, under sixteen years of
age, who are the only legitimate children of herself and her deceased husband, who are now living, the dates of whose birth
were as given below, to wit:
Anna L. Kent born on the 25th day of October 1859
Caroline L. Kent born on the 18th day of September 1863
..... born on the day of 18.....
..... born on the day of 18.....
..... born on the day of 18.....

She further declares that she has not remarried since the death of her said husband, nor has she abandoned the support of
any one of the children above named, nor permitted any one of the same, for which increase is claimed, to be adopted by any
other person or persons as his, her or their child; and that her said husband left surviving him no minor children by a former
marriage. And she hereby appoints J. Bishop her attorney to prosecute this claim.

My post office address is as follows: Rushville, Wapello County,
Iowa. (This app is additional to one already filed)
Solilah Kent
Declarant's signature.

Also personally appeared Samuel Jones and Joshua Barber
residents of Wapello Ia, persons whom I certify to be respectable and entitled to credit, and who, being
by me duly sworn, say that they were present and saw Solilah Kent sign her name (or make
her mark) to the foregoing declaration; and they further swear that they have every reason to believe, from the appearance of the
applicant and their acquaintance with her, that she is the identical person she represents herself to be; that her averments
as above, are true to their personal knowledge, and that they have no interest in the prosecution of this claim.

Samuel Jones
Joshua Barber
Signatures of Witnesses.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 6th day of March 1867.
and I hereby certify that I have no interest, direct or indirect, in the prosecution of this claim.

L. W. Godley
Signature of Clerk of the Court
Clk D. C.



Widow's Application for
INCREASE OF PENSION.

(Act July 25, 1866.)

Mrs. *Rebecca Reat*

Widow of *A. W. Reat*



J. Bigham

Attorney.

Tribune Print. 51 Clark Street, Chicago.

**AFFIDAVITS TO BE MADE BEFORE A JUDGE OR CLERK OF A COURT OF RECORD.
NO REVENUE STAMPS ARE REQUIRED.**

AN ACT, *Increasing the pensions of widows and orphans, and for other purposes*:—Approved July 25, 1866.

“Sec. 2.—And be it further enacted—That the pension to widows of deceased soldiers and sailors, having children by such deceased soldiers or sailors, be increased at the rate of two dollars per month for each child of such soldier or sailor under the age of sixteen years. And in all cases in which there shall be more than one child of any deceased soldier or sailor leaving no widow, or where his widow has died or married again, the pension granted to such children under sixteen years of age, by existing laws, shall be increased to the same amount per month that would be allowed under the foregoing provisions to the widow, if living, and entitled to a pension;—*Provided*, that in no case shall more than one pension be allowed to the same person.”

The number and names of the children, with their ages, must be proved by affidavits of two credible and disinterested witnesses.

Increase
No. 50826

Iowa
Delilah Kent

WIDOW OF

Amos W. Kent

Rank Major Co. 9

Regt. 16 Iowa Vol

Fairfield Agency.

Rate per Month, \$

Commencing Apr 25 64

Additional sum of \$2 per Month for each
of the following children, until arriving at the age
of 16 years, commencing July 25, 1866, viz:

Henry L 24 Oct 1845

Cornelia W 7th Sept 1849

Former payments, to be deducted.

Certificate dated May 4 64

Sent to S. S. Sargent
Ottumwa Iowa

Act 14th July 1862.

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Sargent Clerk.

1883 July 28 - Genl A. D. with
instructions - msh

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NOV 22 1895

PENSIONER DEAD

CLAIM FOR INCREASE OF WIDOW'S PENSION.

Supplemental to case in which certificate No. 50826 was issued

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BRIEF in the case of

Delilah Reut
Anas M Reut,

Widow of

Resident of

Prin. Cas B-36, Iowa Falls,
near W. Mahaska County, and State of Iowa

Post Office address:

Winterville, Waukegan Co. Iowa.

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PENSIONER DEAD

DECLARATION AND IDENTIFICATION IN DUE FORM.

PROOF EXHIBITED.

Abandonment or adoption.

Non abandonment or adoption shown by Declaration

Date of Marriage of Parents.

Nov 11 1858,

Names and dates of birth of children.

Henry L	born Oct. 25-	1859	who will be 16 years old	Oct. 24	1875
Bornelice A,	Sept. 18	1863	" "	Sept 17	1879
"	"	18	" "	"	18
"	"	18	" "	"	18
"	"	18	" "	"	18
"	"	18	" "	"	18
"	"	18	" "	"	18
"	"	18	" "	"	18

Proof of ages.

affidavit witnesses present at birth -

Only children.

Shown by declaration.

Agent, and his P. O. address.

J Biglow, Ottumwa, Iowa,
~~Winterville~~
Waukegan Co., Iowa

Issue certificate for \$8 dollars per month, commencing April 25, 1864 and two dollars per month additional for each of the above-named children, commencing of July, 1866 deducting former payments.

H. S. White, Examiner.

Passed April 27, 1866

APPROVED:

[Signature]

[Signature]

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Kurt
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