

Riley J. Kent military pension file, Illinois Infantry, Company D, Regiment 30, Civil War, Private, Widow's Application No. 91,559, Widow's Certificate No. 72,195, Minor's Application No. 244,667, Minor's Certificate No. 186,166, 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 from file, Michelle M. Roy, <michelle@gavinroy.com>, Jan. 2015:

- On April 4, 1866 an affidavit was made by widow, Elizabeth Kent.
- Dependent named: Isaac Kent.
- Soldier was absent from his company on July 3, 1864 -- having been detailed to care for his wounded brother at 17th Army Corps Hospital in Marietta, Georgia.
- On or about 01 August 1864, Riley J. Kent contracted an illness and he subsequently died from that illness (it turned chronic) on 25 March 1865. Death occurred at the hospital in Cumberland Hospital, Nashville, Tennessee.
- Brother, Joseph Kent (of Crawford Co., Illinois) had a military pension, no. 52,082, and had an amputated arm from service. (He served in same company with this brother.)
- Joseph Kent (his brother) served within the same company.

# REQUEST FOR MILITARY RECORDS

1. DATE

26 Sept 2014

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3. NAME OF REQUESTER

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8, AND 9 FOR  
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JW

10. RECORD IDENTIFICATION (Check one only)

(If Military Service or Bounty Land checked - complete items 11, 13, 14, and 15.

If Pension is checked - complete items 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, and 16.)

MILITARY SERVICE

PENSION

BOUNTY LAND

11. NAME OF SOLDIER

Riley J. KENT

12. NAME OF DEPENDENT (if applicable)

Isaac Kent

13. UNIT (CO, BN, or REGT.)

D 30 Ill Inf

14. STATE SERVED FROM

Illinois

15. WAR, OR DATE OF SERVICE

Civil

## 16. PENSION FILE NUMBERS

APPLICATION

CERTIFICATE

a. INVALID

b. WIDOW

c. MINOR

d. MOTHER

e. FATHER

f. OTHER NUMBERS (C, YC, BLWT, etc.)

91559  
244667

72,195  
186,166

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State of Illinois Crawford County Set  
On this 4<sup>th</sup> day of April A.D. 1866 personally  
appeared before me Elizabeth Kent who being first  
duly sworn says she is the identical Elizabeth  
Kent named in pension claim No. 91,559 and  
that she can not furnish to the Pension office the Evi-  
dence of any of the Commissioned officers<sup>or</sup> of the Reg-  
imental Surgeon of 30<sup>th</sup> Regiment Illinois Volun-  
teers or of any other commissioned officer in the  
Army of the United States, as to when where and  
under what circumstances her late husband  
Riley J. Kent private in Company D of said Reg-  
iment contracted the disease whereof he died  
- because, the said Riley J. Kent was taken  
sick of said disease whilst absent from his  
Company at the Hospital in Marietta Georgia  
waiting on Joseph Kent a wounded Soldier of  
said Company; having been detailed for that  
purpose, and none of the Commissioned Officers  
of his Company or Regiment have personal  
Knowledge of such Time place or circum-  
stances, and she further states that she



Knows of no one but said Joseph Kent her brother  
or in law by whom she can make such proof  
Witness Elizabeth <sup>her</sup> Kent  
mark

Joseph Kent  
also personally appeared before me on the day  
a year aforesaid Joseph A Kent who being by  
me first duly sworn according to law, says  
that he was a private in Company at 30th  
Regiment Missouri Volunteers in the war of  
1861 and is the identical Joseph Kent named  
in Pension Invalid Pension Certificate at  
52082, he further says that whilst he was  
at 17<sup>th</sup> Army Corps Hospital at Marietta Georgia  
from amputation of an arm, ~~the~~ Riley  
J Kent a private of said Company 5, & brother  
in law to this affiant was detailed to wait  
on this affiant, and came to said Hospital  
on 3<sup>rd</sup> day of July for that purpose, and whilst  
so waiting on this affiant and in the line of his  
duty as such soldier said Riley J. Kent, about  
the 1<sup>st</sup> day of August 1864 contracted The Diar-  
rhea of which he continued sick until he died  
on the 26<sup>th</sup> day of March 1865 at The Hospital  
in Nashville Tennessee, This affiant continued  
with said Riley J Kent until the 2<sup>nd</sup> day of



November 1864, when affiant left said Riley J Kent at the general Hospital at Atlanta Georgia seriously and dangerously sick of said disease which had become chronic - Affiant further states that he was well acquainted with said Riley J Kent when he (said Riley J) entered the service, and that he the said Riley J Kent was then a healthy man of temperate habits free from any the disease of which he died - and that the habits of said Riley J were always temperate - All the foregoing statements applying in point of time to the period anterior to 2<sup>d</sup> day of November 1864 this affiant makes of his own personal knowledge of the facts stated - other statements are made upon his information & belief - He further says that he has no interest in the claim of Elizabeth Kent widow of said Riley J Kent for a pension

Joseph Kent

Sworn to & subscribed before me day & date first aforesaid & I certify the said Joseph Kent to be a respectable & credible witness and a resident of Crawford County Illinois & that I have no interest in the pension claim of said Elizabeth Kent nor am I concerned in its prosecution & that I read & explained to her the contents of her foregoing affidavit before she executed the same.

William C Wilson Clerk

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WMS The letter "J" and words "in law" stand before  
signing & swearing & word "or" on first page  
intertined before signing & swearing

William C Wilson clk



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