

THE TASKERS

WYMAN S. TASKER was born Aug. 10, 1834, died at age 65 years, 11 months and 19 days of cancer of the stomach on April 29, 1900 at 20 Whitmore street, city of Arlington, county of Middlesex, Mass. His occupation, carpenter, buried in South Sudbury. Was born in Cabot, Vermont, to John Tasker and Fannie Clark Tasker, both of whom were born in Cabot, Vt. Ref.: certified death record from the town of Arlington.

Married: Wyman S. Tasker of Marlboro aged 25 years and Martha D. Stone of Sudbury married 23 June 1859 at Sudbury by Rev. Erastus Dickinson. Ref.: Affidavit dated May 10, 1900, in Civil War Pension records of Wyman, National Archives.

MARTHA DUDLEY STONE TASKER was born Jan 26, 1840 in So. Sudbury, Mass. to George W. Stone who was born also in So. Sudbury, and to Maria (Dudley) Stone who was born in Wayland, Mass. She died a widow of lobar pneumonia aged 75 years, 4 months, and 3 days on April 29, 1915 at 130 Josephine Ave., Somerville, Mass and is buried in So. Sudbury, Mass. Ref.: copy of death record #383 of city of Somerville dated Jan. 14, 1916, in National Archives civil war file of Wyman S. Tasker.

Children: 1.) WILLIAM F. TASKER, aged 54, his son, applied for reimbursement on 9 May 1916, a resident of Somerville, county of Middlesex, Mass. for expenses during the last sickness and burial of Martha D. Tasker. Jessie S. Wessels and Ella Kaulback had given nursing care. The address of William F. Tasker was 39 Madison St. Somerville, Mass. Ref.: App. for reimb. 13 May 1916; civil war record of Wyman Tasker. (b. ca. 1862: 1916-54)

2.) Ella M. Kaulbeck, aged 25, 20 Whitmore street, Arlington, Mass. signed an affidavit for Martha Tasker's pension application on May 11, 1900. Ella M. Kaulback of 133 Walnut street, Somerville, Mass., is listed as daughter of the deceased pensioner Martha Tasker on an application dated Arlington, May 22, 1915. b. 1875
3.) ADA P. TASKER of 39 Madison street, Somerville, Mass. is the daughter-in-law of Martha Tasker, and knew her for 15 years. Ref.: same document as that for ELLA above. (Possibly the second wife of William Frederick Tasker, who is known to have divorced his first wife, Henrietta.)

4.) EMMA S. TASKER, daughter, listed as age 5 in 1870 census (b. 1865) of Wyman Tasker, age 36 & Martha age 30 with son William Frederick age 9 at Marlboro, Mass., 13 Aug. 1870

CIVIL WAR RECORD of Wyman S. Tasker: He enrolled as a private at age 30 on 19 Sept. 1864 at Concord, Mass. for 1 year in Company I. regiment 2 Mass. Heavy artillery. He was 5 feet 6 inches, light complexion, hazel eyes, brown hair. From the quota of Marlboro, Middlesex county, 7th Congressional District. Occupation carpenter. Oct 31, 1864, he was stationed at Fort Totten, near New Berne, N.C. He was sick at Foster General Hospital, New Berne, N.C. from Nov., 1864 through April, 1865 and was mustered out of service June 26, 1865. On a casualty sheet he is listed as discharged at Worcester, Mass. on May 25, 1865.

War Record...continued:

Children of Wyman S. Tasker listed on a pension application dated Dec. 16, 1897:

1.) William Frederick, born Jan. 16, 1861 at Marlboro, Mass.

2.) Ella Marion, born Aug. 18, 1874, at Marlboro

Martha D. Tasker aged 60 lived at 20 Whitmore Street, Arlington, county of Middlesex, Mass. on May 10, 1900. Ref: Declaration for widow's pension.

THE SICKNESS of Wyman S. Tasker: He stated that on or about the 5th of Dec. 1864, he was stricken with Inflammatory Rheumatism from which he has never recovered. (From declaration for original invalid pension dated 23 June 1880.) He was age 45, a resident of the town of ? Colisame ?, county of Franklyn, Mass.

Wyman Tasker applied for increase of his pension at age 62 on 11 Feb. 1897, stating "that he is totally disabled for any kind of labor and the resulting disease of the heart is is serious and from these disabilities he is a complete wreck and trobled with insomnia and believes himself to a much higher--" (from same war records.)

SOMERVILLE CITY DIRECTORY listings:

1890 Tasker Wyman S. carpenter h. 12 New Cross

1892 Tasker Frank provisions h. 43 Temple (is this a brother of Wyman?)

Tasker William F. carpenter h. 117 Washington

Tasker Wyman S. carpenter h. 45 Greenville

1894 Tasker William F. car conductor h. 96 Broadway

Tasker Wyman S. carpenter h. 12 New Cross

1898 Tasker Ella milliner boards 6 George

Tasker Wyman S. carpenter house 6 George

(No Taskers occur before or after these dates in the Somerville city directories)

MARLBORO City Directory, Mass.

1872 Tasker Wyman S (Parmenter & Tasker), rear Maple, h. do.
Parmenter William A & Tasker Wyman S carpenters, near Maple, house do.

UNA MAY TASKER, the only child of WILLIAM FREDERICK TASKER and his first wife HENRIETTA GERTRUDE HEIDEL, was born on March 7, 1883, at ~~Marlboro~~ Greenfield, Mass. (Ref.: copy of the original birth certificate.)

LOCATIONS: Greenfield is in Franklin county and is the county seat.

Somerville, Sudbury, So. Sudbury, and Marlboro are all near Boston, Somerville being next to Cambridge in Suffolk county, and the others in Middlesex county.

Cabot, Vt. is a very small town in the center of Vt. in Washington county. The state capital, Montpelier is in this county.

EMMA TASKER apparently never married. ELLA TASKER KAULBECK, married, had Evelyn, who married George H. Bailey. Evelyn died Oct 2, 1962. No children. Last address: 310 East High St., Manchester, N.H. (Ref.: letter from Geo. H. Bailey, 26 Sept., 1964.)