Almon B. Daniels, Private, Co. C 111 OH Infantry, U.S.

1839  June 17: Daniels was born in Portage County, OH to parents Horace and Sally Daniels.

1850  September 23: The U.S. Federal Census enumerated in Deerfield, Portage County, OH showed 11-year-old Almon living with his parents, Horace and Sally, and siblings: Oramel, Adelia, Frederick, Oscar and Joseph. His father was a farmer.

1857  September 24: Father Horace died.

1860  June 8: The U.S. Federal Census enumerated in Millcreek, Williams County, OH showed 20 year old Almon living with his mother, Sally, and brothers, Oscar and Joseph.

1861  April 27: Older brother Oramel Daniels enlisted in the U.S. Army. He is mustered into Co. K 8th OH Infantry.

       September 15: Another brother Frederick Daniels enlisted in the U.S. Army. He musters into Co. D 11th IL Infantry.

       October 8: Married Charlotte Stoner in Hillsdale County, MI.

1862  August 11: Almond enlisted in the U.S. Army. His younger brother Oscar enlisted 3 days later on August 14th.

1864  July 13: Brother Oramel was mustered out of the U.S. Army.

       November 30: Captured at the Battle of Franklin. His brother Oscar was killed. His regiment, the 111th OH, fought on the West side of the Columbia Pike along the main line. Almon most likely is among the prisoners burying the U.S. dead on
December 1st, thereby giving him an opportunity to bury his brother and mark his grave. Very few U.S. soldiers are named and Oscars was one of those. His body was removed from his battlefield grave and taken to be buried with his father in Hillsdale County, Michigan.

1865 April 1: Charlotte Daniels applied for a widows’ pension. She was not awarded the pension, because her husband was not dead, simply a prisoner of war. It is most likely Charlotte didn’t know this as Almon was listed as among the “killed in battle” at Franklin.

June 27: Mustered out of the U.S. Army in Salisbury, NC.

July 1: Brother Frederick Daniels, in Co. D 112th IL Infantry, died in Baton Rouge, LA of “Cong. Int. Fever.” He was buried at the Baton Rouge National Cemetery.

1870 July 18: The U.S. Federal Census enumerated in Mount Pulaski, Logan County, IL showed Almon, a farmer, living with his first wife Charlotte and their children. Also living with the family was Almons brother, Joseph.

1872 February 20: Charlotte Stoner Daniels died in Williams County, OH.

1873 October 9: Married Rhoda Gifford in Hillsdale County, MI.

1880 June 16: The U.S. Federal Census enumerated in Wright, Hillsdale County, MI showed Almon, a farmer, and second wife Rhoda living with their three children.

1890 The U.S. Census Veterans Schedule enumerated in Wright Township, Hillsdale County, MI showed that Almon is a veteran living within the county. An interesting note is that his “disability” is listed as he was a prisoner of war at Meridian, MS.

1893 September 6: Article appeared in the Detroit Free Press, Detroit, MI.
September 7: Rhoda Gifford Daniels died in Jonesville, Hillsdale County, MI.

1894 Daniels was listed as living in the town of Jonesville, Hillsdale County, MI on the Michigan State Census.

1895 August 1: Married for a third time to Esther Askew in Reading, Hillsdale County, MI. He was 56 years old and he lives in Jonesville, MI.

1900 June 5: The U.S. Federal Census enumerated in Reading, Hillsdale County, MI showed a retired Almon and Esther living with a boarder.

1900-1909 Served the Grand Army of the Republic Post Phil Sheridan Post #4 in various officer positions including: chaplain, senior vice commander and adjutant.

1910 April 22: The U.S. Federal Census enumerated in Osceola County, FL showed a retired Almon living with his wife Esther and his adult son, John.

1914 June 26: The Democratic Banner, Mount Vernon, OH.

1915 June 15: Brother Oramel Daniels died in Knox County, OH.

1920 January 20: The U.S. Federal Census enumerated in Saint Cloud, Osceola County, FL showed a retired Almon living with his wife Esther.

1922 April 12: Almon Daniels died in St Cloud, Florida. The last of the brothers to die.
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