George Fetta, Private, Co. I 84 IN Infantry, U.S.

1843  Fetta was born in Hanover, Germany to Clements and Anna Fetta.
1846  The Fetta family emigrated to the United States of America.
1862  August 22: Enlisted in the U.S. Army. He mustered into Co. I 84 IN Infantry.
1864  November 30: Fought in the Battle of Franklin.
1865  June 14: Mustered out of the U.S. Army. His nativity was listed as Germany and his occupation was “cigar maker.”
1868  April 29: Married Hannah Auer.
1870  June 27: The U.S. Federal Census enumerated in Richmond, Wayne County, IN showed George, a cigar maker, living with Hannah and an infant son.
1880  June 5: The U.S. Federal Census enumerated in Wayne Township, Wayne County, IN showed George, a farmer, living with his wife Hannah and children.
1881  October 10: The Richmond Item, Richmond, IN

—George Fetta was to-day arraigned before Mayor Bennett for assault and battery on one Elijah Laflan and paid $11.05 fine and costs. Fetta has some fine game chickens of which he is very proud and which roost at night on the line fence between his farm and that of Laflan. He claims that he had been missing them of late, and last night heard a disturbance among them. He went over and finding Laflan with one of them, turned in and gave him a sound thrashing. Laflan claims that his chickens also roosted there and he was only trying to pick out his own, but Fetta was at last accounts hunting for the prosecuting attorney to have him jerked up for petit larceny.

1886  October 28: The Richmond Item, Richmond, IN

—A hunting party composed of Will Byram, George Fetta, Ed. Dickinson and Homer Shepman, who have been doing the country about Brookville for two weeks, returned home this morning. They report excellent sport.
1892  July 27: *The Richmond Item*, Richmond, IN

1897  September 18: *The Richmond Item*, Richmond, IN.

1900  June 9: The U.S. Federal Census enumerated in Wayne Township, Wayne County, IN showed George, a farmer, and Hannah living with their children.

1901  September 27: *The Richmond Item*, Richmond, IN.
April 19: The U.S. Federal Census enumerated in Wayne Township, Wayne County, IN showed George, a farmer, and Hannah living with their adult daughter, Anna.
1914 September 14: *Palladium Item*, Richmond, IN.

Guard to Lincoln
Plans for Reunion

Wayne county’s four resident surviving members of the Eighty-fourth Indiana infantry, George Fetta, a farmer, of I company, Harry Hoover, Richmond, G company, Frank Davenport, Richmond, C company and assistant surgeon, Dr. I. F. Sweeney, Milton, are planning to attend the regimental reunion at Muncie, September 17. Of the one hundred men recruited for I company in Richmond not a one now lives in Richmond and only one in Wayne county, Mr. Fetta. Harry Hoover has the distinction of being one of the men detailed as President Lincoln’s guard. He has many interesting stories to tell of the martyred president. He was in the opera house the night he was assassinated by Booth. He says Lincoln never failed to stop for a minute’s chat when he met a member of his military guard and always referred to them as “my good soldiers.”

1919 March 3: George Fetta died of heart disease in Richmond, IN. His death was listed in the Quaker Monthly Meetings index for Wayne County and Vicinity although George was active in the Lutheran Church.

March 5: *Palladium Item*, Richmond, IN.

Post to Conduct Services
For Late G. A. R. Veterans

Members of Sol Meredith Post, No. 55, will conduct funeral services for George Fetta at the Fetta home, southeast of town, Wednesday afternoon, and for Frank Glass at the Glass home, Thursday afternoon.
Biographical sketch in The History of Wayne County, Indiana: Together with Sketches of Its Towns, Villages...

“George Henry Fetta, market gardener, was born in Hanover, Germany, in 1843, a son of Clements H. and Anna M. (Snider) Fetta. In 1846 his parents emigrated to America with their family, settling in Richmond, where his father was a porter in the wholesale grocery of Brown, Myer, Starr & Co., and their successors, for twenty-five years. He died in August, 1874, aged sixty-eight years, and his widow still resides in Richmond, being in her sixty-ninth year. They had nine children—Christian H., Henry H., Frederick H. (died at Nashville, Tenn.), George H., Dora, Edward C. (deceased), Harmon H., John H., and Lewis. Our subject was educated in the schools of Richmond, and at an early age learned the cigar-maker’s trade, at which he worked till the war broke out. He enlisted in August, 1862, in Company I, Eighty-fourth Indiana Infantry, for three years. He went through the campaigns of West Virginia, Kentucky and Tennessee. He was wounded at the battle of Chickamauga, Tenn., and sent to the hospital at Nashville, Tenn., and from there was furloughed home. He returned to his regiment in August, 1864, and participated in the capture of Atlanta,
Ga. He was in the battles of Franklin and Nashville, Tenn., and was discharged at Nashville, in June, 1865. He returned and worked at his trade for wages till 1867, when he engaged in the manufacture of cigars, carrying on a successful business for seven years. In 1874 he purchased his present property, where he has since been engaged in vegetable gardening. He was married April 30, 1868, to Henrietta Aue, who was born in Germany in 1850, and came to Richmond, Ind., with her father, Frederick, Aue, in 1858. Her mother Dora Aue, died in Germany, and her father married Frederica Fiest, by whom he had three children—Frederick, Augusta and Charles. Mr. Fetta and wife have three children—Robert H., Frederick W., and Anna M.. Mr. Fetta is a member of Webb Lodge, No. 24, and A.F. & A. M.; King Solomon’s Chapter, R.A.M., and Commandery No. 8, K.T., of Richmond.”