Oliver W. Shockley, Corporal, Co. M 5 IA Cavalry U.S.

1841  June 22: Shockley was born to Owen and Elizabeth Shockley in Gasconade County, MO.

1850  September 25: The U.S. Federal Census enumerated in Boulware, Gasconade County, MO showed 9-year-old Oliver living with his parents and siblings. His father, Owen, was a farmer.

1860  August 2: The U.S. Federal Census enumerated in Boulware, Gasconade County, MO showed 20-year-old Oliver living, a farmer, with his widowed mother and younger siblings.

1861  September 10: Enlisted in the U.S. Army and mustered into Co. M 5 IA Cavalry.

1864  January 1: Promoted to Corporal.

      November 30: Fought in the Battle of Franklin.

      December 10: Burlington Weekly Hawk-Eye, Burlington, IA.

1865  August 11: Mustered out of the U.S. Army in Nashville, TN.

1867  May 12: Married Elizabeth Jane Lewis in Gasconade County, MO.

1870  July 25: The U.S. Federal Census enumerated in Boulware, Gasconade County, MO showed Oliver, a farmer, and Elizabeth living with their young children.

1880  June 12: The U.S. Federal Census enumerated in Cullen, Pulaski County, MO showed Oliver, a farmer, and Elizabeth living with their four children.

1890  March 26: Wife Elizabeth died.

1892  June 21: Applied for and was granted a pension for his military service.

      Married Phoebe Elizabeth Black.

1900  June 19: The U.S. Federal Census enumerated in Cullen, Pulaski County, MO showed Oliver, a farmer, and second wife Phoebe living with their children.

1904  March 18: *The Pulaski County Democrat*, Waynesville, MO. Oliver and Pheobe’s son Snowden died.
1905  July 14: *The Pulaski County Democrat*, Waynesville, MO.

1906  September 28: *The Pulaski County Democrat*, Waynesville, MO.

1910  April 19: The U.S. Federal Census enumerated in Cullen, Pulaski County, MO showed Oliver, a stock farmer, living with his wife Phoebe.

1911  August 4: *The Pulaski County Democrat*, Waynesville, MO.

1920  January 17: The U.S. Federal Census enumerated in Cullen, Pulaski County, MO showed Oliver, a farmer, living with his wife Phoebe Elizabeth.

1926  June 14: Oliver Shockley died in Pulaski County, MO.
July 22: Wife Phoebe applied for and was granted a widows’ pension for her husbands’ military service.

Biographical Sketch

“Oliver W. Shockley, farmer, was born in Gasconade County, MO., June 22, 1841, being a son of Owen and Elizabeth (Briggs) Shockley. Owen was born in Tennessee, near Nashville, December 3, 1801, and was there reared to manhood on a farm, receiving a common-school education. November 30, 1874[incorrect year], he was married to Miss Briggs, who was born in Tennessee November 10, 1809, and for several years after his marriage resided in Davidson County. He then came to Gasconade county, MO., but at the end of about three years returned to Tennessee, where he lived one year. From that time until his death, which occurred April 22, 1855, he resided in Gasconade County. He was a farmer throughout life, and a minister of the Methodist Episcopal Church for thirty years. Three of his nine children are living: Sarah, Oliver W. and Mahala. Those deceased are Andrew J., Samuel J., James M.H., Matilda, Malinda and Nellie. Mrs. Shockley died in Gasconade County on the 12th of August, 1869. Oliver W. Shockley received a common school education in his boyhood days, was reared on a farm, and after the death of his father assisted in supporting the family, remaining with his mother until twenty-six years of age, when he was married, May 12, 1869, to Elizabeth J. Lewis, a daughter of John and Lotta (Perkins) Lewis. After residing in Gasconade County for three years after their marriage, they moved to Pulaski County, where he has since been engaged in farming, and now owns 500 acres of land, with 200 acres under cultivation, being also quite extensively engaged in stock raising. In 1861 he enlisted in the Federal army, and served four years in Company M, Fifth Iowa Cavalry, being a participant in numerous bloody battles. He was wounded at Duck River, and was discharged at Camp Dennison, Ohio. He is now the father of five living children: Robert F., Cora, Elizabeth, Isaac and
Emmet. Those deceased are Charlotte, John O., Oliver and Ollie. Mr. Shockley is a member of the Masonic fraternity, and is a Republican politically.”

(Biography Source: History of Laclede, Camden, Dallas, Webster, Wright, Texas, Pulaski, Phelps and Dent Counties, Missouri: From the Earliest Time to the Present, Including a Department Devoted to the Preservation of Sundry Personal, Business, Professional and Private Records; Besides a Valuable Fund of Notes, Original Observations, Etc., Etc, by Southern Historical Press, 1889)