George W. Olden, Sergeant, Co. E, 97 OH Infantry, U.S.

1841  Olden was born in Ohio to Edward and Elizabeth Olden.

1860  July 20: The U.S. Federal Census enumerated in Muskingum County, OH showed George working as a “coal digger” and living with his parents and five younger siblings.

1862  August 7: Olden and his younger brother, William, both enlisted in the U.S. Army. They both mustered into the Co. E, 97th OH Infantry.

1863  April 7: Appointed Corporal.

1864  January 13: Appointed Sergeant.

    November 30: Olden and his brother William fought in the Battle of Franklin, where George was killed in action. George is buried in an unmarked grave in Murfreesboro, TN in the National Cemetery but his family after the war had a military headstone made for him in Zanesville Cemetery, OH.