Hercules J. Aird, Co. B 23rd MI Infantry U.S.

1842 (abt) Hercules J. Aird was born to John and Ellen Aird in Detroit, MI.

1850 July 15: The U.S. Federal Census taken in Detroit, Wayne County, MI showed 9-year-old Hercules living with his parents and his siblings. His father, John, was a shoemaker.

1862 August 4: Hercules Aird enlisted in the U.S. Army in East Saginaw, MI. He mustered into Co. B 23rd MI Infantry on September 11th.

1864 November 30: Hercules fought in the Battle of Franklin.


1868 July 8: Hercules married Amanda Bartley in St. Clair, MI. His occupation was listed as “lumberman” and his residence as “Harrisville, MI.”

1870 July 29: U.S. Federal Census taken in Harrisville, Alcona County, MI showed Hercules, a sawyer, living with his wife Amanda.

1875 April 30: Hercules’ wife Amanda died.

1879 December 29: Hercules J. Aird died. He was buried with his wife Amanda at the Springport Cemetery in Alcona County, MI.

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September 9: A minor named Joseph Van Buskirk applied for a military pension as a minor dependent upon Hercules Aird.