

Linda Tanner-Freitag

Madison, Wisconsin.

Linda is the 3rd Great-Granddaughter of

John Clark Davis

Co. I, 16th Wisconsin Regular Army Infantry

John Clark Davis, born to Benjamin Davis and Mary Johnson in Rockingham, Vermont

He was born on July 9, 1826. John Clark Davis, moved to Wisconsin with his father and step mother. John Clark's father, Benjamin Davis, served in the War of 1812, and his father, Henry Davis, served in the American Revolution.

He married Harriet Stockwell on September 2, 1830 in Rockingham, Vermont. They had 5 children.

John Clark, was a private in The Civil War – 16th Wisconsin Infantry. The 16th Wisconsin Infantry organized in Madison, Wisconsin, Camp Randall. Muster into the Service of the United States was completed on 31st of January 1862.

They participated in the Battle of Shiloh, being one of the first regiments to be attacked. The 16th infantry joined Sherman's Army on the "March to Sea" December 21, 1864.

John Clark letters' to home, state that his family and friends could direct their letters to 17th General Hospital Savannah, Georgia.

In one of John Clark's letters he was assigned to Co. K, 17th, Regiment. That his only comfort, is "that tomorrow Election Day, there is a great stir for old Abe, God Bless the Union". In another letter John Clark, states 1865 Camp Distribution, Savannah, Georgia. He was in hospital and waiting for transportation. "The Rebs keep straggling in here every day or so. Old Sherman's cutting his way through just where he pleased. I hope he will take Richmond ..."

John Clark mustered out July and returned to Madison, Wisconsin. The 16th Wisconsin Infantry disbanded August 1, 1865.

John Clark Davis died in Richland County Wisconsin – October 14, 1877, buried in Richland Center Cemetery. His wife, Harriet Stockwell, was born January 22, 1822 in Vermont, and died October 5, 1864, buried in Richland Center Cemetery. Their Daughter, Ida Davis, married Isaac Johnson. Their Daughter, Marth Johnson, married Orson D. Rose. Their son, Kenneth Rose, married Ruby M. Fogo. Their Daughter, my mother Ruth Arlene Rose, married my dad Orville Chester Tanner.