

To all whom it may



ADDITIONAL BOUNTY STOCK  
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C. HOLMES P.M.  
ACT JULY 28. 1862

Know ye, That Samuel A Shamer a  
Private of Captain James O Casey's  
Company, (C.) 78<sup>th</sup> Regiment of Pennsylvania Infantry  
VOLUNTEERS who was enrolled on the nineteenth day of August  
one thousand eight hundred and Sixty one to serve Three years or  
during the war, is hereby Discharged from the service of the United States,  
this fourth day of November, 1864, at Kittering  
Penna by reason of expiration of term of service  
(No objection to his being re-enlisted is known to exist.)

Said Samuel A Shamer was born in Clarion Co  
in the State of Pennsylvania is Twenty years of age,  
five feet nine inches high, light complexion, blue eyes,  
brown hair, and by occupation, when enrolled, a Blacksmith

Given at Kittering Pa this fourth day of  
November 1864

Wm J. Bond  
Capt 7<sup>th</sup> Pa Cavalry  
Commanding the Regt  
Mustering Officer

\* This sentence will be erased should there be anything  
in the conduct or physical condition of the soldier  
rendering him unfit for the Army.

[A. G. O. No. 92.]

James O Casey  
Capt Co C 78<sup>th</sup> P. I.

ACT OF MAY 11, 1912.

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**BUREAU OF PENSIONS**

It is hereby certified That, in conformity with the laws of the  
 United States Samuel R. Shaner,  
 who was a Private Co. E 48<sup>th</sup> Regiment  
 Pennsylvania Infantry  
 is entitled to  
 a pension at the rate of Twenty five dollars per month, to  
 commence May 25, 1912

Given at the Department of the Interior this  
 Seventh day of December  
 one thousand nine hundred and twelve  
 and of the Independence of the United States  
 of America the one hundred and thirty seventh

*Natley Fisher*  
 Secretary of the Interior

Countersigned.

*W. W. [Signature]*

Commissioner of Pensions  
 W. W.

Former payments covering any portion of the same time to be deducted.

Upon his return to Salem Township, Samuel returned to farming with his father and also was a blacksmith. Less than seven months later he married Mariah Fry, and lived out his life in Salem Township, dying on the 5th. of June, 1916 at the age of 75. Mariah died in 1926. Both are buried in the Salem Lutheran Church Cemetery, Lamertine, Pa..

On May 12, 1912 he was awarded a pension at the rate of 25 dollars per month, which he collected until his death. His obituary follows.

#### SAMUEL R. SHANER

Samuel R. Shaner, a life long resident of Salem Township, died of neuralgia of the heart after a brief illness Monday, June 5, 1916, at his home near Lamartine. He was born February 22, 1842 thus being in his 75th year at the time of his death. In 1861 Mr. Shaner enlisted in the 78th Regiment, Pa. Volunteers, and served for three years in defense of his country, being honorably discharged at the close of his term of service.

Returning home, he married Miss Maria Frye on May 11, 1865. In January 1874, Mr. Shaner was confirmed a member of the Salem Evangelical Lutheran Church, continuing a member until his death. Practically his last words were free forgiveness of all who may have ever offended him, a confession of his own unworthiness in the sight of God, and a fixed faith in a merciful savior.

There survive of the near friends, the widow, two daughters, seven sons, fifty-five grandchildren, one great grandchild, besides one sister and two brothers. The funeral was held in the Salem Lutheran Church on Thursday morning, June 8, conducted by his pastor, Rev. J. A. Boord, and interment was made in the cemetery adjoining the church.



it will take two or three months  
yet and i think again we are done  
With it they will send us home i hope  
they will leave us here for it is a healthy  
place well in about four or five months  
you can begin to look for the salom  
boys to come home the salom boys are  
all well stout and hardy and are all  
in good spirits and expect to get  
home and we want you to have a visit  
of us again but i am afraid the girls  
are getting scarce up there there are  
quite many marion i understand  
but that is all right i suppose  
that you will soon commence to  
plow and plant corn the weather  
is warm to day but we had  
some cold weather this week  
last week we had thirteen inches  
of snow and it was cold very cold  
but we have good quarters  
and if we want a good deanty  
we could get by the fire

Well adam i want you to let  
me know where you go to see  
the girls i am very in  
quisitive about the girls  
but it has been along time since  
i saw any person or female kind  
that were worth calling girls  
there are some here but if they were  
the only ones in the world i dont  
think i would never bother them  
much there are some very nice  
ones among them but they look  
like seven days rain well that  
is enough upon that question  
it is about time to stop  
give my love and respects  
to the rest of the family and  
tell frankie that John Brady  
was well and doing fine  
tell her that is odd that John was  
a first rate fellow that he would soon  
be home let D. M. know how  
my harget Jane is getting along



Heartung and mallemary  
~~and~~ fortifications and so you  
must excuse me for not writing  
i will try and do better after this  
you wanted to know when  
i would come home next year this  
time i will be at home if live  
so long and then we will have  
that turkey roasted well my young  
friends i hardly know what to  
write i suppose you have heard  
of the late battle that was fought  
at a hand of Chattanooga we was  
defeated in part negly the  
time of the fight and we did  
not get any good and many  
well sadist find that we didnt  
but we could see the  
Whale of battle field and could  
see every thing that was going  
on and it was an awful sight  
to look and and yet it looked  
nice to see the old stars and stripes

coming up over Lookout Mountain  
and the stars and lines running  
as fast as they could to make  
there escape but a grate many  
of them didnt get off they  
were captured by the thousands  
well i am still in hopes that  
one more year will end this  
war and then we will live  
in peace again this war has  
killed the souls of many lives  
that might be amongst us yet  
but it cant be help it will  
must come down and will  
come ere long well i dont  
want you to let much weather  
you still go to see Francis  
Deater or where you do go  
or whether you go to see any  
at all well i think  
i must come to close  
for it is lead time and  
i am getting sleepy