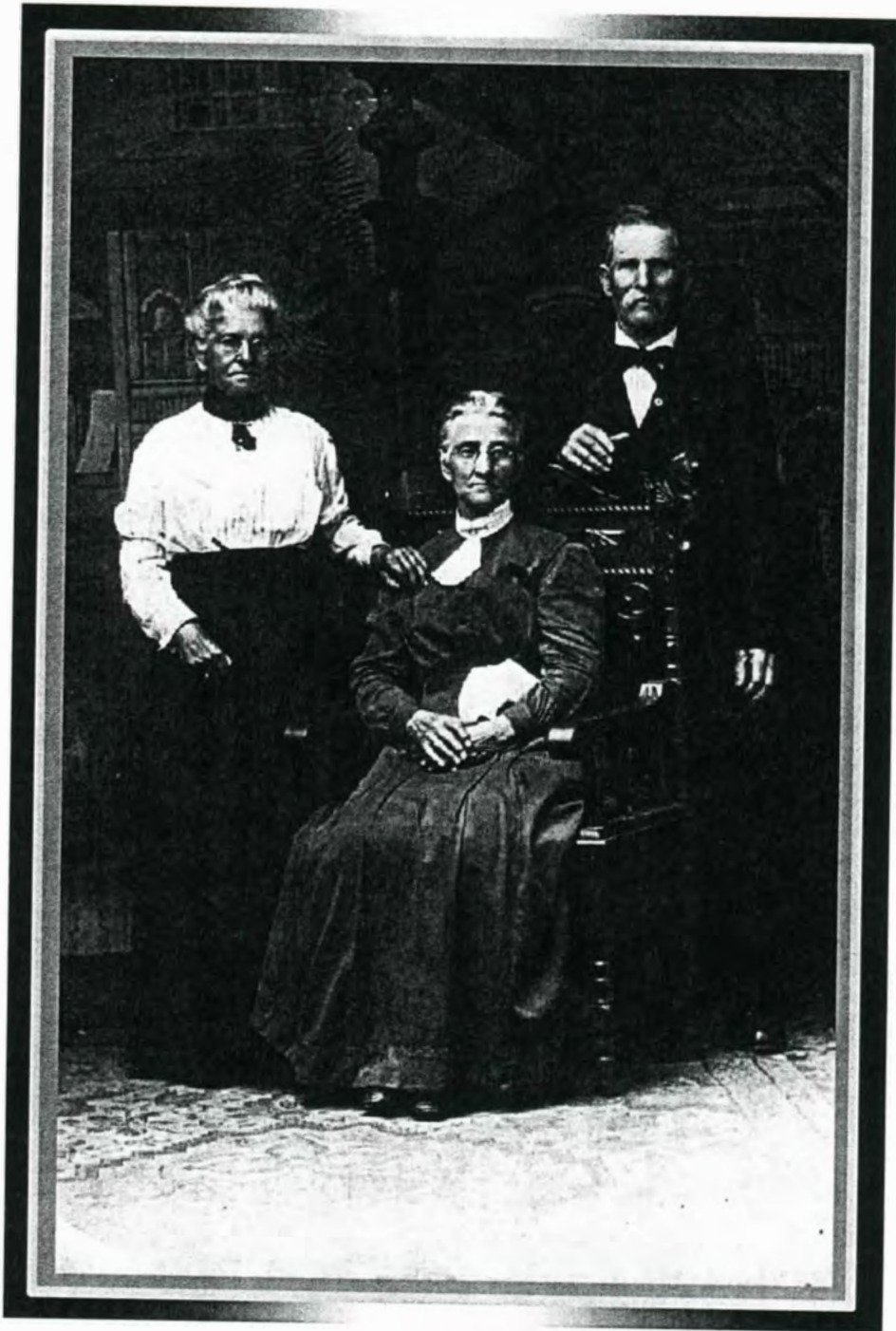


Alonzo Zeliff

Pvt., Co. A

pictured with sisters Amelia Zeliff Cables
and Fidelia Zeliff Woodworth



Courtesy of Karyn Conlon,

Dear Mark: Let me know if these pictures are not adequate. Following is a bio for Alonzo Zeliff. I've also sent a message to William Atwood (who you said is an Alonzo descendant). Hopefully, he can fill me in on Alonzo's descendants. Again – thank you for all of your assistance. Karyn Conlon

Bio of Alonzo H. Zeliff

Alonzo H. Zeliff was born in the Town of Carrollton, Cattaraugus County, New York, in 1837. He was the son of Peter and Marvelous Hodge Zeliff. Alonzo had ten brothers and sisters, the first four of whom were born in Northumberland Co., Pennsylvania. The rest of their children were all born in Carrollton, NY. Alonzo was married three times: to Harriett Beach, Cassie Brink, and sometime before 1858, Alonzo married Catherine O'Day (who was born in Ireland) in Killbuck, Cattaraugus County, New York, and they had at least one child, Jennie Zeliff, who was born in 1858.

On 9/1/1862, he enlisted in the U. S. army to serve during the Civil War. His military record in brief with the 154th (Hardtack Regiment) reads: Alonzo Zeliff -- Age 25 years. Enlisted 9/1/1862 at Carrollton, to serve 3 years; mustered in as private, Co. H, September 15, 1862; captured in action July 1, 1863 at Gettysburg, PA (in Libby Prison); paroled August 21, 1863; mustered out with company June 11, 1865 near Bladensburg, Md.

He died February 11, 1919, and is believed to be buried in Limestone Cemetery, Limestone, New York.

Alonzo's father Peter is believed to have remained Northumberland County, PA after his marriage to Marvelous Hodge, where the first four of their children were born. He subsequently moved to Great Valley, New York. Sometime prior to 1834, he brought his wife and their four children to Carrollton, NY (where the village of Limestone, NY was subsequently built and still stands as of Year 2001) after clearing a small piece of ground and building a log cabin which he covered with bark. Peter was a lumber manufacturer and served as highway commissioner. He built the first bridge over the Allegheny River at the mouth of Tunagwant Creek at Carrollton, NY.

Alonzo's older sister Harriett was born in 1834 after the family moved to Carrollton, NY, and she was the first white child born in the "Tuna Valley" (Tunanguant Creek Valley). Alonzo was the third child of Peter and Marvelous to be born in the "Tuna Valley", the seventh of the children of the family.

Submitted by Karyn Birmingham Conlon, whose Great Grandmother Amelia Zeliff Cables was the youngest sister of Alonzo Zeliff.

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