Mary Jo Kara

Canton, Illinois

Mary Jo's Great Grandfather is

William Lyle Lent

Co. C, 6th New York Heavy Artillery

William Lyle Lent was a lifelong resident of Montrose, New York. He was born at Montrose, New York on July 8, 1846 to Jacob and Margaret (Gilleo) Lent. He was a farmer by occupation.

He enlisted in the Civil War on January 21, 1864, at Peekskill, N. Y.; was mustered in as a private, in Co. C, 6th New York Heavy Artillery, to serve 3 years or during the war. He was in several heavy battles and was wounded in the battle of the Wilderness (the battles of the Wilderness were fought May 5-7 1864) and taken to the Jarvis United States Army General Hospital, Baltimore, Md. While there he was mustered out of the detachment on June 3, 1865.

He was married twice, his first wife was Margaret Lamb. She died in 1872. His second wife was Sarah E. York (Mary Jo Kara's great grandmother). She died January 4, 1908. He died, alone, on November 8, 1927, after casting his ballot for the election at the polls.

He was survived by three sons, Ebenezer, William and Stephen, all of Montrose, NY, and three daughters, Martha (Mary Jo Kara's grandmother), Susan and Lillian. Mr. Lent was a member of the G. A. R. Post at Peekskill. He was a lifelong member of the Dutch Reformed Church.

