



## William Duncan, Private, Co. I 125 OH Infantry, U.S.

1844 March 19: Duncan was born to parents John and Nancy Duncan in Holmes County, OH.

\*\*\*attended Millersburg Academy.\*\*\*

1862 June 14: Left Millersburg Academy and enlisted in the U.S. Army. He initially served in the 87<sup>th</sup> O.V.I.

\*\*\*Brothers James and John also enlisted.\*\*\*

September 15: Captured at the Battle of Harpers Ferry.

\*\*\*Paroled and exchanged.\*\*\*

1863 August 16: Re-enlisted and was mustered into the 125<sup>th</sup> OH Infantry.

November 25: William “was one of the men with Captain Parks when the guns were captured from the enemy’s rear guard at Mission Ridge.”

1864: November 30: Fought at the Battle of Franklin. His regiment was engaged in fierce combat within the Carter Family yard.

1865 September 25: Discharged from the U.S. Army.

1869 Duncan and his brother, John, built the Holmes County Fairgrounds and Race Track.

1871-77 The brothers also built large portions of railroad in Knox County, OH for the C. A. and C. Railroad.

1880 June 2: The U.S. Federal Census enumerated in Killbuck, Holmes County, OH showed William, a grain merchant, and Eliza living with their son, John H., 2 yrs old.

\*\*\*Owned both a Grist and Saw Mill in Killbuck, OH, which produced flour for White Lily Flour.\*\*\*

1900 June 1: The U.S. Federal Census enumerated in Killbuck, Holmes County, OH showed William, flour mill proprietor, and Sarah E., living with their children: Roland C., 17, Ada G., 15, Frederick W., 12. Also living with the family was a young servant by the name of Dora Markley, 18 yrs.

1901 October 25:

**SILVER WEDDING**

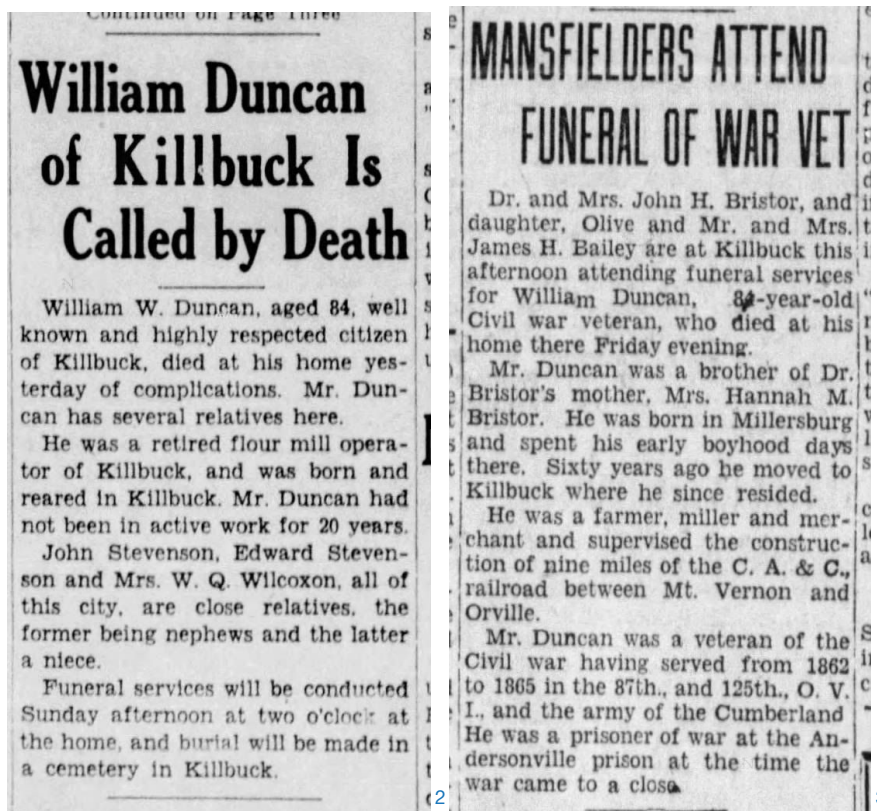
Of Mr. and Mrs. William Duncan Was Celebrated at Killbuck.

Mr. and Mrs. William Duncan celebrated their silver wedding at Killbuck Tuesday, a large number of their friends being present. They were married in Millersburg where Mrs. Duncan resided, and have long been active and prominent residents of Killbuck. Mr. Duncan built seven miles of the Cleveland, Akron & Columbus and worked hard for the construction of the Dresden branch. He is a veteran of the Civil war, and took part in some of its hardest fought battles.

Mr. Duncan is well known in Coshocton where his sister, Mrs. Stevenson, resides. Mrs. Stevenson and her daughter, Mrs. Wilcoxon, were among the guests at the anniversary celebration. The party spent the entire day at Mr. Duncan's home.

<sup>1</sup> Coshocton Daily Age, Coshocton, OH, Friday 25 October 1901, pg. 1 (accessed newspapers.com)

- 1910 Aprils 20: The U.S. Federal Census enumerated in Killbuck, Holmes County, OH showed William, a flour mill owner, and Lydia (Elizabeth) living with their children: Carl, 27, Ada, 25, Fred, 22.
- 1920 January 5: The U.S. Federal Census enumerated in Killbuck, Holmes County, OH showed William, a flour mill owner, and Sarah E., living with their adult daughter, Ada.
- 1928 April 13: William Duncan died in Holmes County, OH.



\*\*\*Duncan was a republican. He supported the arts and helped build the local theater in Killbuck.\*\*\*

<sup>2</sup> The Tribune, Coshocton, OH, Saturday, 14 Apr 1928, pg. 1 (accessed newspapers.com)

<sup>3</sup> News-Journal, Mansfield, OH, Sunday, 15 Apr 1928, pg. 11 (accessed newspapers.com)