

Mahlon Aldridge, Co. E, 73rd Illinois Infantry, US

- 1842 Dec 8: Mahlon Aldridge was born in Aurora, IN to parents John and Grace Aldridge.
- 1850 Dec 6-7: The US Federal Census enumerated in Dearborn County, IN listed Mahlon Aldridge at seven years old in the household of his father. His father was listed as a farmer.
- 1860 Jun 21: The US Federal Census enumerated in Vermillion County, IN listed Mahlon Aldridge at seventeen years old employed as a farmer. He was living in the household of his father who was also listed as a farmer.
- 1862 Aug 8: Enlisted in the US Army at Camp Butler, IL.
- Aug 21: Mustered into Co. E, 73rd IL Infantry as a Sergeant.
- 1864 Nov 30: Fought at the Battle of Franklin. The 73rd IL Infantry was part of Col. Emerson Opdycke's brigade and part of Gen. George Wagner's Division of the IV US Army Corps. This brigade was positioned north of Carter House in a low area and moved south towards the faltering defensive line held by other Federal units. The 73rd IL suffered numerous casualties including Sgt. Mahlon Aldridge. He was wounded in action, shot in the shoulder and taken north for treatment. Aldridge was treated in Nashville before being moved to Cairo, IL where he spent many months recovering.
- 1865 Jun 14: Mustered out of the US Army at Cairo, IL.
- 1866 Sep 10: Mahlon Aldridge married Maggie Braught in Logansport, IN. They would go on to have eight children.
- 1880 Jun 11: The US Federal Census enumerated in Vermillion County, IL listed Mahlon Aldridge as a farmer. He was thirty eight years old, working as a farmer, and was the head of the household. He lived with his wife Maggie and seven children.
- 1888 Jan 24: Mahlon Aldridge died. He was buried in the Greenview Cemetery in Fairmount, IL.



¹ <https://www.findagrave.com/memorial/57706214/mahlon-aldridge>

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