Major William Scudder Stryker

(16. Dec. 1838 - 17. Apr. 1885)

Major William Scudder Stryker was born on 16. Dec. 1838. He was the son of Abraham Stryker and Harriet Stockton Skillman. William married Mary Rodgers DuBois, daughter of Ira DuBois and Mary Rodgers, on 4 May, 1859 at New York City, New York County, New York.

Major William Scudder Stryker:

Civil War Union Army Officer. He was enrolled in the 83rd New York Volunteer Infantry on May 27, 1861, and was commissioned as a 2nd Lieutenant in Company D on July 1, 1861.

On December 10, 1863 he was mustered out of the Volunteer service, and was commissioned as a 1st Lieutenant in the Regular Army, and was assigned to the Signal Corps. Brevetted Captain, US Army on September 5, 1864, he served until he was honorably discharged on August 29, 1865.

During the Civil War, William served as First Sgt. in Company D of the 9th Regiment in New York. He was in the Rockville Expedition with Gen. Stone in July 1861 and went to Virginia with Gen. Patterson for the First Battle of Bull Run. He was immediately made a 2nd. Lt., and in August transferred to signal duty, becoming one of the original corps. He served with the staff of Gen. McClellan during the Peninuslar Campaign and the Battle of Antietam. He served at the Headquarters of the Army of the Potomac under Generals Hooker, Burnside and Meade, as Chief Signal Officer and adjutant. He became a 1st Lt in March 1863 and a Captain in Dec. 1864. He was then stationed at Chambersburg, Pa March 1865 to Sept. 1865 when he was discharged. Bt 1861 - 1865. He and Mary Rodgers DuBois resided at at Morrisania, Bronx County, New York, c 1867. Major William Scudder Stryker died on 17. Apr. 1885 at age 46. William was buried at Princeton Cemetery, Princeton, Mercer County, New Jersey.