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### Gettysburg Soldiers

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The Battle of Gettysburg in South Central Pennsylvania was probably the most important battle of the Civil War. The Confederate force of about 75,000 men under General Robert E. Lee, ("Bobby" to us southern folk), battled the Union forces of about 97,000 under General George G. Meade for three days, 1, 2 and 3 July 1863. The Battle was virtually a draw, but losses were such that General Lee decided to halt his incursion into Union territory. A quick look at the day by day battle and various tours are online at <http://americancivilwar.com/getty.html>.

I started out to try and identify the Thayers involved in that Battle at the suggestion of our President but little did I realize what a job it would be. So far we have identified some 564 Thayers or spouses of Thayers who were veterans of the Civil War. This I am sure is just a partial list as, in my current research, I have found a fair number of veterans about whom I previously knew nothing.

The most difficult thing, after determining the unit in which the veteran served, is to find the period of time that he served. County histories are a great source of rosters of Civil War units but rarely show the period individuals served. Also one cannot rely on biographies published in those histories because they are often embellished and at times incomplete. The best source I have found is the publication by the Massachusetts Adjutant General of all of the MA men who were veterans of the Civil

War and, in most cases, their period of service. So far I have found 62 Thayers or Thayer spouses who were members of units involved in the Gettysburg battle and served during the period of that battle. I cannot say for sure that many were actually involved in fighting but most likely they were there.

As many of you may know, most of the persons bearing the Thayer name in 1860 were residents of northern states or western states which remained in the Union. So far, I have found only 6 Thayer men and one spouse of a Thayer who were on the Confederate side of the battle. I have put in the lineage to the immigrant from whom they descend if known. Abbreviations used: Regt is Regiment; Batl is Battalion; Co. is Company; Batt is Battery; Inf is Infantry; and the normal state abbreviations.

The Confederate soldiers were:

#### From North Carolina

##### 37th Regt NC Inf

Nereus Mendenhall<sup>8</sup> Thayer [17 Nov 1845  
Montgomery Co. NC-1 Jul 1934 Montgomery Co.  
NC; Wyatt Nance<sup>7</sup>, James<sup>6</sup>, Abner<sup>5</sup> (?),  
Nathaniel<sup>4</sup>, Isaac<sup>3</sup>, Ferdinando<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>]

#### From Virginia

##### 8th VA Cavalry

Silas B. Hanback, Co. K – (ca 1837-aft 1880, son of  
William F. Hanback & Brunetta Hitt); husband of  
Mary Catherine<sup>4</sup> Thayer [Jan 1839 Fauquier Co.

VA-4 Jan 1918; Albert Gallatin<sup>3</sup>, William<sup>2</sup>, George<sup>1</sup> Thayer ca 1710-ca 1774]

### **12th Regt VA Inf**

Martin G. Thayer, Co. K [Mar 1840 VA-ca 1907 Jersey City, Hudson, NJ, parents unknown]

### **41st Regt VA Inf**

Stephen B. Thayer, Co. E [ca 1831 VA-Mar 1904 Norfolk VA, parents unknown]

William H.<sup>8</sup> Thayer, Co. H [Sep 1842 VA- 14 May 1866 Island Run, PA; Nathan H.<sup>7</sup>, Nathan<sup>6</sup>, Zephaniah<sup>5</sup>, William<sup>4</sup>, William<sup>3</sup>, Shadrach<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>]

William Henry <sup>9</sup> Thayer, Co. G [12 Nov 1844 Petersburg VA-15 Mar 1922 Petersburg VA; Henry H.<sup>8</sup>, Sceva<sup>7</sup>, Josiah<sup>6</sup>, Josiah<sup>5</sup>, Nathaniel<sup>4</sup>, Nathaniel<sup>3</sup>, Richard<sup>2</sup>, Richard<sup>1</sup>]

### **44th Regt VA Inf**

Sceva<sup>9</sup> Thayer, Co. B [10 Apr 1843 Petersburg VA-10 Aug 1880 Petersburg VA; Sceva<sup>8</sup>, Sceva<sup>7</sup>, Josiah<sup>6</sup>, Josiah<sup>5</sup>, Nathaniel<sup>4</sup>, Nathaniel<sup>3</sup>, Richard<sup>2</sup>, Richard<sup>1</sup>]

On the Union side of the Battle there were 4 spouses of Thayer women and 51 Thayer men. The format is similar to the above.

## **US Regular Army**

### **1<sup>st</sup> Batl US Sharpshooters**

Benjamin David Schofield (Oct 1828 Strongville, Cuyahoga, OH- 20 Feb 1906 Fargo, Cass, ND) husband of Sarah W.<sup>7</sup> Thayer [3 Aug 1821 Palmyra, Wayne, NY- 5 Aug 1895 Fargo, Cass, ND; Smith Willard<sup>6</sup>, Isaac<sup>5</sup>, Joseph<sup>4</sup>, Isaac<sup>3</sup>, Ferdinando<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>] Sarah volunteered as a nurse in the war.

### **1<sup>st</sup> Regt US Inf**

Francis Payson<sup>8</sup> Thayer, Co. G [9 Jan 1843 Abington, Plymouth, MA – 20 Oct 1914 Abington, Plymouth, MA; Stephen<sup>7</sup>, Stephen<sup>6</sup>, Uriah<sup>5</sup>, Shadrach<sup>4</sup>, Ephraim<sup>3</sup>, Shadrach<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>]

### **4<sup>th</sup> Batl US Arty**

James D. Thayer, Batt C [ca 1836- after 1864, parents unknown] He was credited to Gardner, Worcester, MA when he enlisted. He reenlisted 31 Jul 1864 at Alexandria VA and deserted in Sep 1864 while on leave.

## **From Indiana**

### **14<sup>th</sup> Regt IN Inf**

Charles Carlton<sup>8</sup> Thayer, Co. D [5 Mar 1840 Bartholomew Co. IN – 27 Oct 1929 Kansas City MO; Charles<sup>7</sup>, Charles<sup>6</sup>, Daniel<sup>5</sup>, Samuel<sup>4</sup>, Isaac<sup>3</sup>, Ferdinando<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>]. He was captured at the Battle of the Wilderness in May 1864 and confined in Confederate prisons at Andersonville and Florence for 9 months.

### **19<sup>th</sup> Regt IN Inf**

Enos<sup>8</sup> Thayer, Co. E [18 Oct 1836 West Milton, Miami, OH – 18 Aug 1910 Storm Lake, Buena Vista, IA; Ichabod<sup>7</sup>, Ichabod<sup>6</sup>, Thomas<sup>5</sup>, Thomas<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Ferdinando<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>] He was wounded at the Battle of Gettysburg.

## **From Maine**

### **1<sup>st</sup> Regt ME Inf**

Daniel<sup>9</sup> Thayer [22 Nov 1846 Lubec, Washington, ME – 8 Mar 1880 Lubec, Washington, ME; John<sup>8</sup>, Daniel<sup>7</sup>, Jeremiah<sup>6</sup>, Jeremiah<sup>5</sup>, Richard<sup>4</sup>, Nathaniel<sup>3</sup>, Richard<sup>2</sup>, Richard<sup>1</sup>]

### **4<sup>th</sup> Regt ME Inf**

Howard Augustus<sup>8</sup> Thayer, Co. B [Nov 1841 Bangor, Penobscot, ME – after 1900; Elias<sup>7</sup>, Stephen<sup>6</sup>, Philip<sup>5</sup>, James I.<sup>4</sup>, Ephraim<sup>3</sup>, Shadrach<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>] He was wounded in the shoulder in the battle of Chantilly VA.

## **From Massachusetts**

### **1<sup>st</sup> Bat MA Arty**

Elihu Morton<sup>8</sup> Thayer [6 Apr 1831 Braintree, Norfolk, MA – 13 Mar 1888 Braintree, Norfolk, MA; Elihu<sup>7</sup>, Calvin<sup>6</sup>, Nathaniel<sup>5</sup>, Nathaniel<sup>4</sup>, Nathaniel<sup>3</sup>, Richard<sup>2</sup>, Richard<sup>1</sup>]

### **1st Regt MA Cavalry**

Henry Carter<sup>9</sup> Thayer, Co. D [28 Nov 1829 Randolph, Norfolk, MA – 7 Apr 1905 Randolph, Norfolk, MA; Luther French<sup>8</sup>, Isaac<sup>7</sup>, Isaac<sup>6</sup>, Abraham<sup>5</sup>, Nathaniel<sup>4</sup>, Nathaniel<sup>3</sup>, Richard<sup>2</sup>, Richard<sup>1</sup>]

### **1st Regt MA Inf**

Richard Loring<sup>9</sup> Thayer [6 Mar 1843 Milton, Norfolk, MA – 2 Sep 1902 Boston, Suffolk, MA; Richard Charles<sup>8</sup>, Eliphale<sup>7</sup>, Bezer<sup>6</sup>, Richard<sup>5</sup>, John<sup>4</sup>, Richard<sup>3</sup>, Richard<sup>2</sup>, Richard<sup>1</sup>]

William Franklin<sup>8</sup> Thayer [27 Jun 1814 Braintree, Norfolk, MA – 12 Oct 1916 Cohasset, Norfolk, MA; William F.<sup>7</sup>, Benjamin<sup>6</sup>, Benjamin<sup>5</sup>, Benjamin<sup>4</sup>, Richard<sup>3</sup>, Richard<sup>2</sup>, Richard<sup>1</sup>]

### **2nd Regt MA Inf**

Capt. George Augustine<sup>8</sup> Thayer, Co. K [6 Dec 1839 Braintree, Norfolk, MA – 3 Oct 1925 Cincinnati, Hamilton, OH; Elihu<sup>7</sup>, Calvin<sup>6</sup>, Nathaniel<sup>5</sup>, Nathaniel<sup>4</sup>, Nathaniel<sup>3</sup>, Richard<sup>2</sup>, Richard<sup>1</sup>] After the war he attended Harvard University and became a minister.

### **7th Regt MA Inf**

Edwin S.<sup>8</sup> Thayer, Co. F [6 May 1837 North Bridgewater, MA – 25 Nov 1879 Pembroke, Plymouth, MA; Samuel<sup>7</sup>, Seth<sup>6</sup>, Seth<sup>5</sup>, Richard<sup>4</sup>, Nathaniel<sup>3</sup>, Richard<sup>2</sup>, Richard<sup>1</sup>]

George T.<sup>7</sup> Thayer [14 Aug 1835 Dorchester, Suffolk, MA – 1912 Reading, Middlesex, MA; Eliphale<sup>6</sup>, Bezer<sup>5</sup>, Richard<sup>4</sup>, John<sup>3</sup>, Richard<sup>2</sup>, Richard<sup>1</sup>]

John Jasiel<sup>7</sup> Thayer [18 Nov 1830 Taunton, Bristol, MA – 7 May 1909 Attleboro, Bristol, MA; James<sup>6</sup>, John<sup>5</sup>, John<sup>4</sup>, William<sup>3</sup>, William<sup>2</sup>, Nathaniel<sup>1</sup>] He was discharged for disability 24 Dec 1863.

Josiah C.<sup>8</sup> Thayer [ca 1833 Randolph, Norfolk, MA – 7 Jun 1867 Dorchester, Suffolk, MA; Ebenezer<sup>7</sup>, Robert<sup>6</sup>, Naphtali<sup>5</sup>, Naphtali<sup>4</sup>, Ephraim<sup>3</sup>, Shadrach<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>]

### **10th Regt MA Inf**

Elliot Monroe<sup>9</sup> Thayer [23 Sep 1845 Ware, Hampshire, MA - ?; William Ovando<sup>8</sup>, Adolphus<sup>7</sup>, Stephen<sup>6</sup>, Joseph<sup>5</sup>, Joseph<sup>4</sup>, Isaac<sup>3</sup>, Ferdinando<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>] He was wounded May 1864, transferred to 37th MA Inf. 23 Jun 1864, deserted 27 Jul 1864.

### **12th Regt MA Inf**

James M.<sup>8</sup> Thayer, Co. D [2 Mar 1843 Braintree, Norfolk, MA – after 1900; Jonathan<sup>7</sup>, Bethuel<sup>6</sup>, Naphtali<sup>5</sup>, Naphtali<sup>4</sup>, Ephraim<sup>3</sup>, Shadrach<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>]

John Quincy Adams<sup>8</sup> Thayer [10 Mar 1825 Braintree, Norfolk, MA – 19 Apr 1895 Braintree, Norfolk, MA; John Hancock<sup>7</sup>, Titus<sup>6</sup>, Uriah<sup>5</sup>, Shadrach<sup>4</sup>, Ephraim<sup>3</sup>, Shadrach<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>] He was taken prisoner at Gettysburg 1 Jul 1863 and paroled 8 May 1864.

Joseph W.<sup>9</sup> Thayer [Warren<sup>8</sup>, Warren K.<sup>7</sup>, Zenas<sup>6</sup>, Obediah<sup>5</sup>, John<sup>4</sup>, Richard<sup>3</sup>, Richard<sup>2</sup>, Richard<sup>1</sup>] He was wounded at 13 Dec 1862 at Fredericksburg & 1 Jul 1863 at Gettysburg.

Noah Webster<sup>8</sup> Thayer, Co. H [Barnabas<sup>7</sup>, Barnabas<sup>6</sup>, Richard<sup>5</sup>, John<sup>4</sup>, Richard<sup>3</sup>, Richard<sup>2</sup>, Richard<sup>1</sup>] He was taken prisoner at Weldon Railroad VA 18 Aug 1864 and died in Confederate prison 3 Nov 1864.

William Fairchild<sup>8</sup> Thayer, Co. C [ca 1842 Randolph, Norfolk, MA – 30 Dec 1864 Miller Co. GA; William Hayden<sup>7</sup>, Uriah<sup>6</sup>, Uriah<sup>5</sup>, Shadrach<sup>4</sup>, Ephraim<sup>3</sup>, Shadrach<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>] He died as a prisoner of War.

William Gardner<sup>8</sup> Thayer, Co. E [Jun 1830 Milton, Norfolk, MA – 16 Nov 1880 Weymouth, Norfolk, MA; Azel<sup>7</sup>, Bezer<sup>6</sup>, Richard<sup>5</sup>, John<sup>4</sup>, Richard<sup>3</sup>,

Richard<sup>2</sup>, Richard<sup>1</sup>] He was wounded 10 May 1864 near Spotsylvania VA

### **13th Regt MA Inf**

Hiram S.<sup>9</sup> Thayer, Co. G [19 Feb 1840 Braintree, Norfolk, MA - ?; Adoniram<sup>8</sup>, Isaac<sup>7</sup>, Isaac<sup>6</sup>, Abraham<sup>5</sup>, Nathaniel<sup>4</sup>, Nathaniel<sup>3</sup>, Richard<sup>2</sup>, Richard<sup>1</sup>]

### **33rd Regt MA Inf**

Francis R.<sup>7</sup> Thayer, Co. B [25 Sep 1839 Taunton, Bristol, MA – 3 Jan 1903 Taunton, Bristol, MA; George Washington<sup>6</sup>, John<sup>5</sup>, John<sup>4</sup>, William<sup>3</sup>, William<sup>2</sup>, Nathaniel<sup>1</sup>]

### **32<sup>nd</sup> Regt MA Inf**

<sup>1</sup><sup>st</sup> Sgt Loring Winthrop<sup>9</sup> Thayer, Co. E [10 Jul 1839 Braintree, Norfolk, MA – 30 Sep 1864 Petersburg VA; Ansel<sup>8</sup>, Shadrach<sup>7</sup>, Isaac<sup>6</sup>, Zachariah<sup>5</sup>, Zachariah<sup>4</sup>, Nathaniel<sup>3</sup>, Richard<sup>2</sup>, Richard<sup>1</sup>] He was killed at Poplar Spring Church VA 30 Sep 1864.

### **From Michigan**

### **1<sup>st</sup> Regt MI Mounted Inf**

Elig Thayer, Co. B [21 Sep 1833 Pembroke, Genesee, NY – 9 Feb 1864 Richmond VA; Darius<sup>8</sup>, William<sup>7</sup>, Baruch<sup>6</sup>, Ebenezer<sup>5</sup>, Uriah<sup>4</sup>, Ebenezer<sup>3</sup>, Ferdinando<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>] He was taken prisoner at Bucklin MS 19 Oct 1863 and died in Libby prison in Richmond.

### **1<sup>st</sup> Regt MI Inf**

Lewis Beals<sup>8</sup> Thayer, Co. D [Feb 1819 Randolph, Norfolk, MA – 21 Apr 1889 Southboro, Worcester, MA; Lewis<sup>7</sup>, Ezra<sup>6</sup>, Micah<sup>5</sup>, John<sup>4</sup>, Richard<sup>3</sup>, Richard<sup>2</sup>, Richard<sup>1</sup>]

### **3<sup>rd</sup> Regt MI Inf**

Allen Marting Thayer, Co. F [8 Sep 1844 Truxton, Cortland, NY- 12 May 1864 Spotsylvania VA; Martin George<sup>8</sup>, Jonah<sup>7</sup>, Jonah<sup>6</sup>, Jonathan<sup>5</sup>, Jonathan<sup>4</sup>, Jonathan<sup>3</sup>, Ferdinando<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>] He died as a casualty of the Civil War.

Major Homer L.<sup>9</sup> Thayer, Co. G [1 Oct 1837 MI – after 1900; William Austin<sup>8</sup>, Simeon<sup>7</sup>, Jacob<sup>6</sup>, Jacob<sup>5</sup>, Daniel<sup>4</sup>, Nathaniel<sup>3</sup>, Richard<sup>2</sup>, Richard<sup>1</sup>] He was said to have witnessed the assassination of President Lincoln when later serving in Washington DC.

Porter Brown<sup>8</sup> Thayer, Co. H [25 Nov 1830 Spring Lake, Ottawa, MI – 11 Sep 1886 Spring Lake, Ottawa, MI; John Green<sup>7</sup>, Peter<sup>6</sup>, Peter<sup>5</sup>, Thomas<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Ferdinando<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>]

### **24<sup>th</sup> Regt MI Inf**

Sgt William Utley<sup>7</sup> Thayer, Co. C [13 Apr 1841 Plymouth, Wayne, MI – 4 Aug 1919; Rufus<sup>6</sup>, Rufus<sup>5</sup>, Elijah<sup>4</sup>, William<sup>3</sup>, William<sup>2</sup>, Nathaniel<sup>1</sup>] He is buried in Arlington National Cemetery.

### **From New York**

### **1<sup>st</sup> Batl NY Light Arty**

Benjamin Apollo<sup>9</sup> Thayer, Batt C [25 May 1844 Gouverneur, St. Lawrence, NY – after 1880; Rufus<sup>8</sup>, Asahel<sup>7</sup>, Enoch<sup>6</sup>, Noah<sup>5</sup>, Ebenezer<sup>4</sup>, Isaac<sup>3</sup>, Ferdinando<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>]

Stephen Moore<sup>8</sup> Thayer, Batt D [14 Nov 1838 Canada – 1920 Gouverneur, St. Lawrence, NY; Thomas Muzzy<sup>7</sup>, Israel<sup>6</sup>, Stephen<sup>5</sup>, Thomas<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Ferdinando<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>]

### **10<sup>th</sup> Regt NY Inf**

Dr. James Ellis<sup>8</sup> Thayer, Co. H [20 Aug 1804 Cicero, Onondaga, NY – 18 Aug 1865 Jefferson Co. NY; James Ellis<sup>7</sup>, Ellis<sup>6</sup>, Jeremiah<sup>5</sup>, Ebenezer<sup>4</sup>, Isaac<sup>3</sup>, Ferdinando<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>]

### **49<sup>th</sup> Regt NY Inf**

Edward Cobb<sup>8</sup> Thayer, Co. D [12 Nov 1823 Plainfield, Hampshire, MA – 9 Apr 1904 Washington Co. NY; Samuel<sup>7</sup>, Samuel<sup>6</sup>, Timothy<sup>5</sup>, Timothy<sup>4</sup>, Samuel<sup>3</sup>, Shadrach<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>]

### **58<sup>th</sup> Regt NY Inf**

Joseph J.<sup>9</sup> Thayer [30 Nov 1842 Penn Yan, Yates, NY – 10 Jun 1910 Yates Co. NY; Joseph<sup>8</sup>, Simeon<sup>7</sup>,

Reuben<sup>6</sup>, Isaac<sup>5</sup>, Isaac<sup>4</sup>, Isaac<sup>3</sup>, Ferdinando<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>]

### **61<sup>st</sup> Regt NY Inf**

Chester<sup>8</sup> Thayer, Co. C [Oct 1834 Truxton, Cortland, NY – 4 Sep 1908 Erwin, Kingsbury, SD; Rufus<sup>7</sup>, Caleb<sup>6</sup>, Jonathan<sup>5</sup>, Jonathan<sup>4</sup>, Jonathan<sup>3</sup>, Ferdinando<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>] He was an ambulance driver for his entire service.

### **83<sup>rd</sup> Regt NY Inf**

Hiram O.<sup>8</sup> Thayer, Co. A [19 Mar 1845 Ackworth, Sullivan, NH – 24 Aug 1863 Alexandria VA; Warren<sup>7</sup>, Peter<sup>6</sup>, Ezekiel<sup>5</sup>, Daniel<sup>4</sup>, Ebenezer<sup>3</sup>, Ferdinando<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>] He died of illness in service in the hospital in Alexandria VA and is buried in the Alexandria VA national Cemetery.

### **154<sup>th</sup> Regt NY Inf**

Fordyce<sup>9</sup> Thayer, Co. F [29 Aug 1839 Wyoming Co. NY – 1 Sep 1864 Jeffersonville, Clark, IN; Dexter<sup>8</sup>, Jacob<sup>7</sup>, Jacob<sup>6</sup>, Jacob<sup>5</sup>, Daniel<sup>4</sup>, Nathaniel<sup>3</sup>, Richard<sup>2</sup>, Richard<sup>1</sup>] He is buried in New Albany National Cemetery. He was taken prisoner at Gettysburg on 1 Jul 1863 and paroled. He was wounded on 8 May 1864 at Rocky Face Ridge GA and died in service 1 Sep 1864 at Jeffersonville IN.

## **From Ohio**

### **25<sup>th</sup> Regt OH Inf**

Christopher Joseph<sup>8</sup> Thayer, Co. C [17 Sep 1833 Bloomfield, Trumbull, OH – 14 Apr 1906 CA; Joseph Buckminster<sup>7</sup>, Charles<sup>6</sup>, Daniel<sup>5</sup>, Samuel<sup>4</sup>, Isaac<sup>3</sup>, Ferdinando<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>] He is buried in the Los Angeles National Cemetery.

### **75<sup>th</sup> Regt OH Inf**

Oliver Thayer, Co. A [21 Aug 1815 NY – 23 Jul 1863 Sycamore Twp., Hamilton, OH; parents unknown] He died from injuries received at Gettysburg]

## **From Pennsylvania**

### **12<sup>th</sup> Regt PA Reserve Inf**

William C. Stager (ca 1830 NY- 1912) husband of Mercy Esther<sup>8</sup> Thayer [8 Jun 1832 PA- 24 Feb 1895 Cambridge Springs, Crawford, PA; Joseph<sup>7</sup>, Joseph<sup>6</sup>, Joseph<sup>5</sup>, Oliver<sup>4</sup>, William<sup>3</sup>, Shadrach<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>]

Ezrag Thayer [3 Sep 1840 Spring, Crawford, PA – 11 Aug 1864 Cassaways, Crawford, PA; Isaac Tucker<sup>8</sup>, Isaac<sup>7</sup>, Reuben<sup>6</sup>, Isaac<sup>5</sup>, Isaac<sup>4</sup>, Isaac<sup>3</sup>, Ferdinando<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>] His militia unit was activated for the battle.

### **17<sup>th</sup> Regt PA Inf**

Edmond Etherington<sup>8</sup> Thayer, Co. B [16 Sep 1839 Gibson, Susquehanna, PA – 1917 Detroit, Wayne, MI; Horace<sup>7</sup>, Eseck<sup>6</sup>, Uriah<sup>5</sup>, Uriah<sup>4</sup>, Ebenezer<sup>3</sup>, Ferdinando<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>]

### **28<sup>th</sup> Regt PA Inf**

Leroy C.<sup>8</sup> Thayer, Co. B [8 May 1838 Lebanon, Madison, NY – 1924 Madison Co. NY; Rufus<sup>7</sup>, Jonathan<sup>6</sup>, Cornelius<sup>5</sup>, Jonathan<sup>4</sup>, Josiah<sup>3</sup>, Ferdinando<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>]

William E.<sup>9</sup> Thayer Co. B [Oct 1844 NY – aft 1920 Scranton, Lackawanna, PA; Rufus<sup>8</sup>, Rufus<sup>7</sup>, Jonathan<sup>6</sup>, Cornelius<sup>5</sup>, Jonathan<sup>4</sup>, Josiah<sup>3</sup>, Ferdinando<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>]

### **141<sup>st</sup> Regt PA Inf**

Levi Davis<sup>8</sup> Thayer [14 Oct 1839 Harford, Susquehanna, PA – after 1900 Wayne Co. PA; Ferdinand Davis<sup>7</sup>, Aaron Chance<sup>6</sup>, Stephen<sup>5</sup>, Samuel<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Ferdinando<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>]

### **145<sup>th</sup> Regt PA Inf**

Dr. Alvin L<sup>8</sup>. Thayer [1 Oct 1823 Erie, Erie, PA- after 1900 PA; Dr. Albert<sup>7</sup>, Dr. Zephaniah<sup>6</sup>, Zephaniah<sup>5</sup>, William<sup>4</sup>, William<sup>3</sup>, Shadrach<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>] He was a surgeon at both Gettysburg and Antietam]

### 150<sup>th</sup> Regt PA Inf

Edward H. Bailey (9 May 1845 PA-27 Oct 1905 Ellis, Hardin, IA) husband of Mary Armindag Thayer [8 Jul 1847 DeKalb, St. Lawrence, NY-23 May 1921 Ellis, Hardin, IA; Isaac8, Dennis W.7, Isaac6, Isaac5, Isaac4, Isaac3, Ferdinando2, Thomas1]

#### From Vermont

### 5<sup>th</sup> Regt VT Inf

Henry M. Coats (1833 Rutland Co. VT- 1895 Benson, Rutland, VT) husband of Mary Permilia8 Thayer [1841 Addison Co. VT- 1908 Benson, Rutland, VT; Henry Hanson7, Ezra6, Abraham5, Isaac4, Isaac3, Ferdinando2, Thomas1]

### 13<sup>th</sup> Regt VT Inf

Aretus T.8 Thayer, Co. B [1 Mar 1840 Warren, Washington, VT- 10 Aug 1863; Aaron7, Nathan6, Jeremiah5, Ebenezer4, Isaac3, Ferdinando2, Thomas1] He was discharged 7 weeks after the battle and died 3 weeks later, possibly from wounds.

### 14<sup>th</sup> Regt VT Inf

Lt. Edward Nelson7 Thayer Co. A [13 May 1834 Bennington, Bennington, VT – 4 Nov 1864; Nelson6, Simeon5, Samuel4, Isaac3, Ferdinando2, Thomas1] He died of Typhoid Fever contracted in the War.

#### From Wisconsin

### 2<sup>nd</sup> Regt WI Inf

Asahel M.8 Thayer, Co. D [21 May 1841 St. Lawrence Co. NY- 1904 Greely NE; Asahel7, Asahel6, Jacob5, Jacob4, Nathaniel3, Nathaniel2, Nathaniel1] Gettysburg was not in his published biography but the unit was there during his term of service.

### 3<sup>rd</sup> Regt WI Inf

Frank B. Thayer, Co. A [ca 1835 – 22 Aug 1864 GA; parents unknown] He is buried in the National Cemetery at Marietta GA.

A quick summation finds that of the 62 men found, they served in units from:

Confederate:

North Carolina	1
Virginia	6

Union:

Regular Army	3
Indiana	2
Maine	2
Massachusetts	19
Michigan	6
New York	8
Ohio	2
Pennsylvania	8
Vermont	3
Wisconsin	2

In my research, I found that many of the veterans of the Civil War served in a unit and then, when their time was up, either reenlisted or enlisted in a second and even a third unit. Most soldiers enlisted as privates and many remained private throughout their service. I found more soldiers who died or were discharged for disability or illness than killed in battle. The percentage that died shortly after being wounded was very high.

I am sure that there are more Thayers & Thayer spouses who are veterans and more who have served at Gettysburg. I have run out of time and I hope that some of you will continue to search County histories and other publications to identify those who served in this historic struggle. I would appreciate it, if you find others, to provide that information to us for our archives. If any have an interest in a particular soldier, i.e., marriage, children etc, you may contact me at [hjthayer@aol.com](mailto:hjthayer@aol.com) or [hjthayer@verizon.net](mailto:hjthayer@verizon.net).

# Beyond the blogs: One man's death

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PostGlobe

*By Philip Dawdy*



Stuart Thayer in Paris in 1984 (Courtesy of Boyka Thayer)

**PostGlobe**

Stuart Thayer loved walking and, in the end, it's what undid him. He had lived in Seattle for 25 years and had become a fixture in the 15th Avenue East part of Capitol Hill. Thayer was a close friend of August Wilson, the legendary playwright who lived in the area before dying of cancer in 2005, and the two could be seen most mornings sitting in front of Caffe Ladro chatting with a few other men and laughing their butts off. Thayer was a writer himself, a well-regarded historian of the early American circus, and the two had stories.

I used to see Thayer strolling around the neighborhood – he lived on 17th Avenue East in a townhouse with a wife named Boyka and two black cats – and I'd say "Hello" and he would nod his head. Thayer, who turned 83 this year, was usually smoking a cigarette. He wore a brown beret. Until last year, he used a cane. Then, he switched to a walker. Each day, Thayer was out there walking and smoking. I'd see him a few times

a day, making his way along East Republican Street, even in the rains of winter. He was off to meet a friend or to buy smokes or to just get out and move – one of those people you give an internal thumbs up to, a polestar of the neighborhood.

On June 15, Thayer was crossing East Republican Street from south to north at that street's dead-end corner with 17th Avenue East. It was a little after 2 p.m., a warm, sunny day. Thayer had almost reached the sidewalk on the far side when he was rammed into by an 89-year-old man driving a red Honda Civic, according to eyewitnesses at the scene. Thayer was knocked to the street very hard. The old man in the Civic kept going, apparently oblivious to what he'd done. One of a group of women who had seen the accident ran after him and got him to stop.

Seattle Fire Department paramedics and Seattle police soon flooded the scene. They swept by me in a wave of wailing sirens as I returned from running errands. I walked over to see what was going on. As soon as I saw a walker in the street, I stopped. It was obvious what had happened and to whom it had happened. Police officers asked me and the women who'd seen the accident if we knew who the man in the street was. The women didn't know and I told the officers the little I knew. Nice, older gentleman, probably out on his regular walk. Lives right around the corner. His name is Stuart.

The accident was mentioned on [seattlepi.com's Seattle 911 blog](#) and on a few local blogs. Thayer's age was initially reported by police as 90 years old. [Seattlest.com](#) the next day headlined a small [post](#) about the tragedy "Grumpy Old Man Driver Hits Grumpy 90-Year-Old Man." It was one of those headlines that make you wonder if the blogosphere will ever get some standards. Thayer, who never came off to me as a grump, died June 24 from complications resulting from his injuries, one of an average of nine pedestrians killed each year in Seattle in auto-pedestrian collisions. Each

victim has a story, of course, but chances are that Thayer's would top most.

Thayer was born in Ann Arbor, Mich., in 1926. He graduated from high school there and was drafted into the Army in 1944. He served on a tank crew in the 3rd Armored Division, Company D, 32nd Regiment. Thayer was wounded in the Battle of the Bulge, one of World War II's bloodiest battles, and was awarded the Purple Heart. His widow, Boyka, says that he still had shrapnel in his right knee when he died last month. In 1945, Thayer was also involved in liberating the Nordhausen concentration camp in Germany.

It's difficult to make that kind of narrative fit with the old man I saw laying in the street and it's even harder to square with "grumpy."

On April 12, 1945, his crew rescued two teenagers who had escaped a forced death march at the hands of the SS. Thayer's unit was in the Haartz Mountains when the teens, who'd been hiding from the SS by day and moving at night, popped out of a ditch and waved down the American tanks. The two, barely younger than Thayer and other members of his crew, were emaciated and were immediately taken in.

"They could have just thrown us K rations and moved on," Eddie Willner, one of the rescued teens, told *The Washington Post* in 2002 when the paper [wrote](#) about a reunion between Willner and members of Company D, Thayer included, in Falls Church, Va. (Willner himself was quite a story. He eventually made his way to the U.S. with the help of the company, joined the Army and eventually rose to major. He died in 2008.)

Promoted to corporal and with combat over in Europe, Thayer was temporarily assigned to the athletic division of the Army's special services. In 1946, he was put in charge of running a baseball league for the entire European Theater and became, in effect, the baseball commissioner of occupied Germany. Thayer, then 20, outfitted two

dozen teams with equipment, scheduled games, arranged for publicity and reported scores to the Armed Forces Network. Thayer occasionally had to resort to impersonating an impatient colonel – with the colonel's permission – in order to get scores reported by some teams, an experience he wrote about in a 1988 [Sports Illustrated](#) article.

Thayer was discharged later that year and returned to Ann Arbor, where he took a degree in literature from the University of Michigan. His goal was to be a writer, but with a young wife, Marilyn, who was pregnant, Thayer went to work in his father's insurance agency. His wife later gave birth to a son, Preston.

Thayer did well in insurance and invested even better, but he was still bitten by the writing bug. During the late 1960s, he began documenting the history of the early American circus in the journal *Bandwagon*. He quit the insurance business altogether in 1975 and became a full-time writer. The career change wasn't driven by a special affection for circuses, however.

"His interest in the American circus was more of an intellectual exercise than a passion," Preston Thayer, his son, explained in an e-mail. "He loved the United States very deeply, and his research required that he visit dozens of small-town libraries throughout the country to read old newspapers, looking for circus advertisements, the primary source for his early work. He enjoyed drawing up the rosters of performers and charting the movements of the various troupes, but I suspect he enjoyed visiting the towns as much as doing the research."

The circus of the 1700s and 1800s was far different from the multiringed sports-arena spectacle of today. It was also more important culturally than it is today. Circuses were smaller affairs then and were often the primary form of entertainment – without elephants – for many small and medium-size American cities in the days before radio, television and movies.

Thayer's first book, "Mudshows and Railers," was published in 1971. "Annals of the American Circus" appeared in 1976, and a succession of books followed all the way to 2006. He co-wrote "American Circus Anthology" with William Slout in 2005. The book is [online](#) on the Circus Historical Society Web site.

After the death of his first wife from brain cancer, Thayer moved to Portland, Maine. A college friend of his lived in Seattle and talked Thayer into visiting town to meet a woman he knew. Thayer and Boyka Dincov met in October 1981 and were married the next year. Boyka moved to Maine with Thayer, but she became homesick for the Pacific Northwest and asked Thayer if he'd consider moving to Seattle.

"It doesn't matter where I live," Boyka recalls Thayer answering. "I live in my head."

The couple moved to Seattle in 1984 and settled on Capitol Hill, where Thayer continued writing. He regularly attended annual reunions of Company D and served as the unit's historian.

Eventually, Thayer met August Wilson, and the two became friends. They were such a common feature of 15th Avenue East that a passerby once called them and their friends the "Algonquin Club of 15th Avenue," a reference to the Algonquin Round Table of 1920s New York City.

At the time of his death, Thayer was working on a biography of a 19th-century circus manager.

His burial is planned for next month at the [Tahoma National Cemetery](#) in Kent.

It's a coincidence that at the time of Thayer's death, the city of Seattle was putting the finishing touches on its [draft pedestrian master plan](#). The plan is part of Mayor Greg Nickels' plan to turn Seattle into the United States' most walkable city. Its primary goal is to increase [pedestrian safety](#). Seattle averages 485 auto-pedestrian collisions a year, nine of them fatalities, according to the

Seattle Department of Transportation. The plan is expected to be up for City Council approval sometime in September.

As someone who walks three miles or more a day around Capitol Hill, I'm sympathetic to the safety goal. Hardly a day goes by when I am not almost run down by a car, usually at a so-called unmarked crosswalk (intersection to the rest of us), where drivers routinely refuse to obey state law requiring motorists to treat such an intersection the same as a marked crosswalk – meaning they have to stop for pedestrians.

The fact that one elderly driver, who perhaps shouldn't have been driving at all, failed to stop for a pedestrian resulted in Thayer's death. I'd prefer not to meet the same fate.

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## Update on Glenwood Cemetery Flint, MI

By Albert Thayer Morton



Photo provided by Al Morton

I've written before about this Thayer burial site located in the old part of Glenwood Cemetery in

Flint Michigan. However, although the site is serene and timeless, the story evolves.

The first grave in this particular site is that of Wilfred Thayer (1845-1846), but the cemetery wasn't incorporated until 1859. Subsequent generations have been buried there, including my Grandmother, Fannie Estelle Thayer (1879-1961), who is buried next to her husband, Albert Edward Morton (1890-1937).

My Great Aunt Addie Estelle Thayer (1885-1928), who never married, is also buried here. My late wife Valerie was buried there in 1972, and most recently, my brother William Frederick Morton, (1943-2007) was laid to rest there.

Other stones mark the graves of my great-grand father, George Washington Thayer (1857-1919), and the graves of my great-great grandparents, George Washington Thayer (1808-1889) and his wife, Fannie Moncrief (1814-1895). Gosh, it seems like almost everybody's buried there.

This whole area (since shortly after water was discovered) has always been regarded by the family as the "Thayer Family Plot" in Glenwood.

But things are not always as they appear.

A few weeks ago I received a call from the superintendant of Glenwood Cemetery. Records, maps, and bench marks are very sketchy for this old part of the cemetery, and it appears that a list of the first 100 deeds for that old part of the cemetery has recently been discovered.

On line 99 of the newly discovered list, it is stated that plot 168 was deeded to Fannie Estelle Morton and Addie Estelle Thayer (my grandmother and Great Aunt Addie) jointly. The granting of the deed must have taken place between 1912 when my grandmother married and changed her surname to Morton, and when Aunt Addie Thayer died in 1928.

On line 100 of the newly discovered list it also states that Plot 169 was also deeded to Fannie and Addie jointly.

That was **completely** new news. Nobody had ever heard about an adjacent plot where nobody had ever been buried. This newly discovered 100'x 25' plot is the area in the foreground of the picture above, although the cemetery is still unable to find the benchmarks for the exact corners of the plots. One of the caretakers mentioned that the original 1859 benchmarks were probably made of wood, so the exact parameters might never be found.

To further complicate the issue, that tall monument in the center of the photo shown at the beginning of this article is believed to be almost entirely located on plot 167, and no Glenwood records can be found for that plot having ever been deeded to anyone.

The site is beautiful, and a fitting place to bury Thayers. It's attractive, and since the site seems to be growing, it looks like we won't be running out of space anytime soon.

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## Treasurer's Report

*By Judith Young-Thayer, TFA Treasurer*

As of December 21, 2009, the Thayer Families Association bank balance is: \$10,961.50.

## Membership Chair Report

*By Albert Thayer Morton, TFA Membership Chair*

This is the time of year that things get hectic. The snow has started to fall, and the membership renewals are rolling in at the very time that Santa's little helpers have to get things ready for the big delivery night, and prepare for the New Year celebration a week later.

This year has been especially gratifying. A great many members have switched to the electronic version of the Quarterly newsletter, so I'm going to have to spend some time in April trying to figure out if it's more cost effective for TFA to begin sending the paper version of the Quarterly Newsletter using first class postage, rather than mailing it using the bulk mailing permit. I'll present my findings to the TFA Board of Directors at the reunion in Gettysburg in June.

I think it's worth mentioning that this decision will not affect anyone who is getting the paper Quarterly newsletter in any way. The paper edition will continue to be mailed to any member that wants to receive it that way. It's simply a matter of postage. It's already reached the break-even point, and by April TFA might save money by switching to first class postage. Don't try and figure out how that can happen. It's a government thing. And there's another advantage. Any addresses that have an error will be returned to TFA and we can work on getting the problem resolved. As it is now, any stray issues of the paper Newsletter are just discarded by the Postal Service. Our service to the TFA members would just improve.

By the time you read this, we'll be into the new year, and I hope that each of you had a happy

holiday season, and are enjoying a happy new year. I hope to see you all in Gettysburg this June.

## President's Words

*By Kate Welton Kuzmich, TFA President 2008-2010*

You'll notice this issue of our newsletter focuses on preparations for our reunion in Gettysburg, Pennsylvania in June 2010.

Jerry Thayer has diligently researched the involvement of Thayer family members in the battle. Until he brought the concept to my attention, I had not given thought to the Thayer women who were affected by this 3-day battle, other than to consider the families of the men who were serving. The information Jerry found regarding Thayer women who married into families that sent men to fight substantially increases the number of our family members who were involved in this historic event, and its aftermath.

I grew up in Kirkwood, Missouri. The state was part of the 1820 Missouri Compromise. Study of the events leading up to the Civil War, the war itself, and the effects of migration westward through the state were extensively studied as part of my public school education. Not surprisingly, the Civil War was studied, probably in more depth than those who were educated in New England experienced.

In 1965 Kirkwood celebrated its centennial with a year-long effort that was integrated into the classroom curriculum on many levels. I am surprised by how much of that material I have retained, and how it has affected my interests through my adult years. Somehow the Civil War era and how it touched the place where I was raised has remained in my mind.

I'll be in Gettysburg, and I'll remember.

**CALLING ALL THAYERS**  
**THAYER FAMILIES ASSOCIATION MEETING**  
**11 AND 12 JUNE 2010**  
**GETTYSBURG, PENNSYLVANIA**

The 2010 biennial meeting of the Thayer Families Association will be held on Friday and Saturday, 11 and 12 June, 2010.

The venue for the meeting will be at the Days Inn, 865 York Road, Gettysburg, PA. Days Inn web site is: [www.daysinn.com/gettysburg06239](http://www.daysinn.com/gettysburg06239)

Ph: 717-334-0300.

Arrangements have been made for a Thayer Family Association block of rooms. Presently, there are 30 rooms (including 2 smoking rooms) in the block, which can be reserved at any time until 18 May 2010. There are also handicap equipped rooms. The rate is \$89.00 (plus 6% PA occupancy and 3% County tax) per room - Queen (1-4) or King. Days Inn has agreed to extend the TFA rate from 9 June through 15 June for those who would like to come early, and stay after the meeting. If enough reservations are made early, Days Inn will open up additional rooms at the TFA rate.

Days Inn is a participant in the Wyndham Rewards program.

As a courtesy, Days Inn is providing meeting rooms for TFA's meetings.

Lunch and dinner for Saturday, June 12, 2009 will be available at the motel. The menus are included below.

There is plenty of parking at the Days Inn. Additionally, there is Perkins Restaurant adjacent to the Days Inn, and a Tourist Trolley runs on a regular schedule from the Days Inn into Gettysburg and to the Battle Field.

Plans have been made for a Gettysburg Battlefield Bus tour available to TFA members and families only on a **first come, first serve** basis. Reservations should be made immediately for those interested. There are only **45** seats available, and TFA **members** may reserve a spot for **\$10**. **Non-member** participants are **\$20** per person.

Questions? I'll try to answer them. e-mail me at: [jlythayer@aol.com](mailto:jlythayer@aol.com) or call me at: 757-890-8922

***Useful information:***

Gettysburg Travel Bureau: [www.gettysburg.travel](http://www.gettysburg.travel)

Request a Visitors Guide, which is loaded with all kinds of important information.

The National Park Service web site: <http://www.nps.gov/gett/planyourvisit/feesandreservations.htm> for much more information about Gettysburg.

There is a downloadable map and guide at:

<http://www.nps.gov/gett/planyourvisit/upload/GETT%20brochure.pdf>

## **Reunion Menu Selections**

**Lunch on June 12, 2009 – Days Inn, Gettysburg, PA**

Deli Style Buffet

Assorted Sandwiches

Cold Salads

Chips/Pretzels

Assorted Baked Cookies

Iced Tea and Lemonade

Cost: **\$15.00** per adult/ **\$7.50** per child under 12

**Dinner on June 12, 2009 – Days Inn, Gettysburg, PA**

Chicken Entrée Buffet

Lemon Pepper Chicken

Traditional Stuffed Chicken Breast

Roasted Redskin Potatoes

Honey Glazed Carrots

Garden Tossed Salad

Assorted Cake Selections

Iced Tea, Lemonade, Water

Cost: **\$29.00** per adult/ **\$15.00** per child under 12

**See Reunion Reservation Form to Reserve Your Place.**

*Note: Membership meeting for all members of TFA will take place the afternoon of June 12, 2010 at Days Inn, Gettysburg, PA.  
Details to be confirmed.*

# Reservation Form

## Thayer Families Association Reunion

### June 11-13, 2010 - Gettysburg, PA

*Room reservations are the responsibility of each participant. TFA has blocked rooms at Days Inn, Gettysburg, PA. Make reservations at: [www.daysinn.com/gettysburg06239](http://www.daysinn.com/gettysburg06239) or 717-334-0300.*

June 11, 2010

Gettysburg Battlefield Bus Tour:

Bus pick up: 1:30 pm, parking lot of Days Inn motel

Bus return: Approximately 3:30 pm, parking lot of Days Inn motel

Cost: **\$10.00 TFA members; \$20.00 non-members**

*Participation limited to first 45 responses. Reservations are non-refundable.*

Number of TFA Members: \_\_\_\_\_ x \$10.00 = \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Non-Members: \_\_\_\_\_ x \$20.00 = \_\_\_\_\_

Total for bus tours: \_\_\_\_\_

June 12, 2010

Lunch Buffet at Days Inn:

Cost: **\$15.00** per adult/ **\$7.50** per child under 12

Number of Adults: \_\_\_\_\_ x \$15.00 = \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Children: \_\_\_\_\_ x \$7.50 = \_\_\_\_\_

Total for lunch buffet: \_\_\_\_\_

June 12, 2010

Dinner Buffet at Days Inn:

Cost: **\$29.00** per adult/ **\$15.00** per child under 12

Number of Adults: \_\_\_\_\_ x \$29.00 = \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Children: \_\_\_\_\_ x \$15.00 = \_\_\_\_\_

Total for dinner buffet: \_\_\_\_\_

**Overall Total: [Bus tour, and buffet(s)]** \_\_\_\_\_

*Submit reservation forms and check or money order (made out to TFA) to:*

Thayer Families Association  
 Judith L. Young-Thayer, Reunion Committee  
 1006 Old Denbigh Blvd Apt 213  
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*Questions?*

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# Thayer Families Association

## Annual Dues, New Member & Member Renewal Form

Albert Thayer Morton, Membership Chairman Thayer Families Association 28 S. Main St., Box#313 Randolph, MA 02368-4821

Please fill out this form indicating if you are a New Single Member, New Family Member or Renewal Member and enclose appropriate check or money order made payable to the Association at the address above.

Please enter desired options:

Annual Dues: \$20.00 **Single Membership:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Renewal:** \_\_\_\_\_

Annual Dues: \$30.00 **Family Membership:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Renewal:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Please note: A family membership consists of two adults of the same household (husband and wife; sisters and or brothers; or any combination of two persons. If you wish to pay dues for more than one year, just multiply the amount times the number of years chosen. Fill out the following and return this application form with your dues as indicated above.**

First member name: \_\_\_\_\_

Second family member name: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of years desired: \_\_\_\_\_ X Appropriate Annual Fee (\$20 or \$30) = Total: \_\_\_\_\_

Most recent Thayer connection: \_\_\_\_\_ birth & death dates if known: \_\_\_\_\_

Earliest known Thayer ancestor: \_\_\_\_\_ birth & death dates if known: \_\_\_\_\_

Your Full Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: Number & Street: \_\_\_\_\_ City,

State: \_\_\_\_\_ Country, ZIP/Postal Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone number is optional: \_\_\_\_\_

Are you able to receive, open, and read downloaded files using PDF format? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

Preferred format for the Thayer Quarterly newsletter: Electronic in PDF format \_\_\_\_\_ Paper \_\_\_\_\_

May we communicate with you via email, for membership or other TFA business? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

**E-Mail Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

If this is a new application, how did you discover us? \_\_\_\_\_

Thank you for your membership!

**If this is a NEW membership, name of person referring you:**

\_\_\_\_\_

Please mail the completed form and dues to:

**Thayer Families Association 28 S. Main St., Box #313 Randolph, MA 02368-4821**

THE THAYER QUARTERLY  
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Please include an SASE if you need a reply.

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