



**Corp. William Merrill Cushing**, 1st New Hampshire Heavy Artillery. Co. I.; b. Long Island, Me.; age 24; cred. Lancaster; enl. Aug. 30, '64, for 1 yr.; must. in Sept. 7, '64, as Corp.; must. out June 15, '65 at Washington, D.C. Died May 29, '79, Lancaster, N.H. He was a painter by trade.

Carte de visite photographers backmark: none

### **Cushing Family Genealogy**

CHARLES CUSHING (Jeremiah, Ezekiel, Jeremiah, Daniel, Matthew) was born on Long Island, Me. He married, 8 Nov., 1821, Eliza (Elizabeth), daughter of Ezekiel and Thankful (Woodbury) Cushing. She was born 27 July, 1800. He was in his younger days a sailor and visited ports along the Atlantic coast as far as Havana. He afterwards settled as a farmer on Long Island. He died April 22, 1872

Children, born on Long Island:

- i. Henry Washington, b. 25 Jan., 1822.
- ii. Stephen Emery, b. 30 March, 1824.
- iii. Charles Francis, b. 12 Feb., 1826; d. unm. in 1847.
- iv. Mary Elizabeth, b. 28 March, 1829.
- v. Julia Ann, b. 25 Aug., 1831; m. William Parker, of Portland, Me.; d. Sept., 1877, without issue.
- vi. William Merrill, b. 31 Nov., 1835.
- vii. Levi Woodbury, b. 27 Feb., 1838; m. Martha S. Hall; d. 19 Nov. 1870, without issue.
- viii. Dorothy Helen, b. 6 Aug., 1841; m. Granville Cashing
- ix. Thankful Woodbury. b. 5 March, 1846; d. in youth.

WILLIAM MERRILL CUSHING (Charles, Jeremiah, Ezekiel, Jeremiah, Daniel, Matthew) was born on Long Island, Me., in Nov. 1835. He married in 1857, Melvina A. Black. She was the daughter of Zebulon Black & Elmira Parsons. She died in 1877. He died in Lancaster, N. H. in 1879.

Children:

- i. Frederick, b. 1858.
- ii. Elmira Eliza
- iii. Nevet
- iv. Ward
- v. Harriet
- vi. Helen

*Source: The genealogy of the Cushing family, an account of the ancestors and descendants of Matthew Cushing, who came to America in 1638, by Cushing, James Stevenson, 1878- dn. Publication date 1905. Publisher Montreal, The Perrault Printing Co.*

### **William Merrill Cushing**

BIRTH 30 NOV 1835 • Long Island, Cumberland, Maine, United States,  
DEATH 29 May 1879 • Lancaster, Coos, New Hampshire, United States

Age 0 — Birth 30 Nov 1835 • Long Island, Cumberland, Maine, United States,  
Age 2 — Birth of Brother Levi Woodbury (Jim) Cushing (1838–1870) 27 Feb 1838 • Long Island, Cumberland, Maine, United States  
Age 5 — Birth of Sister Dorothy Helen Cushing (1841–1875) 6 Aug 1841 • Long Island, Cumberland, Maine, United States  
Age 10 — Birth of Sister Thankful Woodbury Cushing (1846–) 28 Mar 1846 • Long Island, Cumberland, Maine, United States  
Age 12 — Death of Brother Charles Francis Cushing (1826–1847) 1847  
Age 15 — Residence 1850 • Portland Ward 1, Cumberland, Maine  
Age 22 — Marriage 1857 • Long Island, Cumberland, Maine, United States. Melvina (Malvina) Amanda Black (1837–1877)  
Age 22 — Birth of Son Frederick H. Fred Cushing (1858–) 1858  
Age 23 — Birth of Daughter Elmira Eliza Myra Cushing (1859–) 1859  
Age 24 — Birth of Son Nevet Cushing (1860–) 1860  
Age 25 — Residence 1860 • Portland, Cumberland, Maine, United States  
Age 26 — Birth of Daughter Harriet Cushing (1862–) 1862  
Age 27 — Birth of Daughter Helen Cushing (1863–) 1863  
Age 31 — Birth of Son Ward Sloan Cushing (1867–) 1867 • New Hampshire, United States  
Age 34 — Birth of Daughter Nevet Irvett Cushing (1870–) 1870 • Lancaster, Coos, New Hampshire, United States  
Age 34 — Death of Brother Levi Woodbury (Jim) Cushing (1838–1870) 10 Nov 1870 • Long Island, Cumberland, Maine, United States  
Age 35 — Residence 1870 • Lancaster, Coos, New Hampshire, United States  
Age 38 — Birth of Daughter Helen Cushing (1874–) 1874 • Lancaster, Coos, New Hampshire, United States  
Age 39 — Death of Sister Dorothy Helen Cushing (1841–1875) Apr 1875  
Age 41 — Death of Sister Julia Ann Cushing (1832–1877) Sep 1877  
Age 42 — Death of Wife Melvina A. (Amanda) Black (1837–1877) 1877  
Age 44 — Death 1879 • Lancaster, Coos, New Hampshire, United States

## Family

Parents: Charles Cushing 1793– & Eliza Cushing 1800–

Spouse: Malvina (Melvina) Amanda Black, born Portland, Me., 1837–1877

Children:

Frederick H. Cushing 1858–

Elmira Eliza Myra Cushing 1859–

Nevet Cushing 1860–

Harriet Cushing 1862–

Helen Cushing 1863–

Ward Sloan Cushing 1867–

Nevet Irvett Cushing 1870–

Helen Cushing 1874–

**Source:** [https://www.ancestry.com/family-tree/person/tree/6780464/person/240075419242/facts?\\_phsrc=nuL70&\\_phstart=successSource](https://www.ancestry.com/family-tree/person/tree/6780464/person/240075419242/facts?_phsrc=nuL70&_phstart=successSource)

## NEW HAMPSHIRE

FIRST REGIMENT VOLUNTEER HEAVY ARTILLERY.

(ONE AND THREE YEARS.)

By CHARLES H. LONG, late Colonel First Regiment New Hampshire Volunteer Heavy Artillery.

ON August 19, 1864, the Governor of New Hampshire was authorized by the War Department to raise a battalion of at least four companies of heavy artillery, and on September 20 to raise a full regiment of twelve companies, which was done by adding to it the First New Hampshire Volunteer Light Battery, which became Company M, but which was detached and continued to serve as a light battery. Charles H. Long, of Claremont, was commissioned colonel of this regiment, on September 29, 1864. In the regimental organization the First and Second Companies New Hampshire Volunteer Heavy Artillery were designated as Companies A and B respectively.

The companies, as fast as organized, were ordered to Washington and assigned to duty under the direction of Major General Auger. During the winter of 1864-'65 and until the muster out of the regiment, it garrisoned a line of works in the defenses of Washington, ten miles in extent. About fifty men were detailed each day for picket duty in front of the line of fortifications. The duty of the regiment was important to the safety of the capital of the nation and oftentimes arduous. On the 21st of November, 1864, Colonel Long was assigned to the command of the First Brigade, Hardin's Division, Twenty-Second Army Corps. On the 27th of that month Lieutenant Colonel Barton, in command of the regiment, was ordered to report to Colonel Long, with seven companies, and was assigned to duty in his brigade. The regiment, except Companies A, B, and M, was mustered out of the service on the 15th of June, 1865.

The First Regiment New Hampshire Volunteer Heavy Artillery was attached to First Brigade, Hardin's Division, Department of Washington, Twenty-Second Army Corps, October 21, 1864, to date of muster out. Prior to organization of the regiment the companies, excepting Company M, which was on duty with the Second Army Corps as First New Hampshire Light Battery, were at different posts in the Department of Washington, mostly in De Russey's Division.

**Source:** *New Hampshire Soldiers & Sailors War of the Rebellion, Ayling*