



## BENJAMIN FRANKLIN JENNINGS



Post-Civil War photo of Franklin Jennings

### PERSONAL DETAILS

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Birth Year	1836
Birth Date	3/4/1836
Birthplace City	Montpelier Station
Birthplace County	Orange
Birthplace State	VA
Birthplace Country	United States
Gender	Male
Race/Ethnicity	Black



Paul Jennings (1799-1874) and Fannie Gordon. Paul Jennings was enslaved to President and Dolly Madison and worked in the White House before emancipation.

## RESIDENCE

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Residence City	Dumfries
Residence County	Prince William
Residence State	Virginia
Residence Country	United States

## OCCUPATION OR BUSINESS

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Farmer; U.S. Army

## SPIRITUALITY & COMMUNITY

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Place of Worship Name	Sacred Heart Church
Worship State	VA

## ENSLAVEMENT

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Period of Enslavement	At birth, during life
Enslavement County	Orange
Enslavement State	Virginia
Enslavement Notes	

Franklin fled enslavement, came to Washington DC, and enlisted in the U.S. Army on May 12, 1864

## MANUMISSION

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## MILITARY SERVICE

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Military Conflict	Civil War
Military Service Branch	U.S. Army, Colored Calvary
Year Enlisted/Commissioned	1864
Year Discharged	1865
Military Unit	5th Regiment, Massachusetts Colored Cavalry.
Military Rank	Private
Citations	His duties included guarding Confederate Soldiers



Franklin, second from right - 'colored troops' veterans reunion

5 Col'd Cav. | Mass.

Franklin Jennings

Appears with rank of Private on

**Muster and Descriptive Roll of a Detachment of U. S. Vols. forwarded**

for the 5 Reg't Mass. Col'd Cavalry. Roll dated Washington D.C., May 13., 1864.

Where born Orange Co. Va.

Age 26 y'rs; occupation Saloon

When enlisted May 12, 1864.

Where enlisted Washington D.C.

For what period enlisted 3 years.

Eyes Brown; hair Black

Complexion Copper; height 5 ft 6 in.

When mustered in May 12, 1864.



Where credited .....

Company to which assigned .....

Remarks: *To be credited to the*  
*State of Cambridge City Mass*  
*4th Cong. Dist.*

Book mark : .....

*2*  
*Franklin H.*  
*Copied.*

(1863)

Military service 'Muster Out' record

#### Military Service Notes

Received pension - pension awarded to wife Mary Logan after Franklin's death.

## EMANCIPATION

Emancipation Year	1863
Emancipation Date	1/1/1863
Emancipator	U.S. Army enlistment

## CROSSING THE RIVER

Death Year	1926
Death Date	9/7/1926
Age at Death - Years	90
Death Place Name (Institution)	Residence of Hugh Jennings (his son)
Deathplace City	Kopp
Deathplace County	Prince William Co
Deathplace State	VA
Deathplace Country	United States
Funeral Home / Undertaker	James B. Cole
Obituary/Funeral Notice Image	





male chorus, assisted by the talent of the congregation and other churches. The affair will be under the auspices of the Tribe of King David. Deacon George Onley, captain, and Mrs. Maggie Murdock, assistant. Eight o'clock.

**CITY NEWS IN BRIEF.**

**The International Language Club** will meet tomorrow, 7:30 p.m., at 1882 Monroe street. A beginners' class in Esperanto will be organized.

**The Washington City Chiropractors' Association** will meet September 15, 8 p.m., in rooms of the Central Chiropractic College. Dr. H. U. Bell will speak on the subject of glands.

**HEATH.** Monday, September 8, 1926, at 3:20 p.m., at his residence, 3641 11th st. n.w., **EDWARD HEATH**, husband of Julia Heath (nee McCabe), aged 70 years. Funeral from above residence Thursday, September 9, 8:30 a.m., thence to Sacred Heart Church, at 9 a.m., where mass will be said for the repose of his soul. Interment Mt. Olivet Cemetery.

**JENNINGS.** At the home of his son, Hugh F. Jennings, Kopp, Va., at 10:40 p.m., **FRANKLIN JENNINGS**, the beloved husband of Mary Logan Jennings and the father of Hugh and William Jennings, also grandfather Henry L. Earley, Roberta and Sylvia Jennings. Funeral at Kopp, Va., Thursday at 1 p.m., afterward remains to rest at 2125 K st. n.w. until 2 p.m. Friday. Interment in Mount Zion Cemetery.

Evening Star September 8, 1926

## BURIAL DETAILS

Memorial Service	Kopp, VA; then at 2125 K Street, Washington, DCt
Burial Year	1926
Burial Date	9/9/1926
Burial Ground	Female Union Band Society
Burial Plot ID	Section 16, 1975 FUBS Survey
Monument Inscription	

JENNINGS  
FRANKLIN  
1836 - 1926  
Co. B, 5th. MASS. CAVALRY.  
MARY LOGAN  
1850 - 1950  
DEVOTED WIFE  
AND MOTHER

### Monument Image





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FEMALE UNION BAND SOCIETY**  
Cemeteries Information System



### Monument Notes

Grave of Franklin Jennings and Mary Logan Jennings

## ADDITIONAL BIOGRAPHY

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Image of Franklin Jennings Will dated November 27, 1924

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