

This is a transcription of the genealogical items of interest only. Extracted from the National Archives file **Andrew J. Potter WC 634.596**, it is true to the original except for highlighting and omission of mostly duplicate information. Andrew's pension certificate number was 932.448 was dropped when his widow's application was accepted. The original records are located at the National Archives. (c) Linda Sparks Starr April 2013

Certificate No. 932.448  
Name: **Andrew J. Potter**

Department of the Interior  
Bureau of Pensions  
Washington D. C.      **January 15, 1898**

SIR: ....

First .... state your wife's full name and her maiden name. My wifes present name **Joann H. Potter, maiden name Joann H. Haden**

Second When, where and by whom were you married? **January 22<sup>nd</sup> 1867** in *Greene County Missouri* by R. M. Winn, Justice of the Peace

Third ... Recorded in Recorder of Deeds Office, *Greene Co. Mo.*

Fourth Where you previously married? No, never

Fifth, Have you any children living? ... **Keomey Potter** born January 18<sup>th</sup>, 1868. **William J. Potter** born May the 29<sup>th</sup>, 1876. **Joseph H. Potter** born September the 14<sup>th</sup>, 1890.

Andrew J. Potter

Date of reply: May 4<sup>th</sup> 1898

LSS: A copy of the marriage record, recorded *Greene Co. MO* Marriage Record Book C, page 73, was included; parents names were not noted.

Increase  
Declaration for Invalid Pension  
Act 27 June 1890 as amended by Act 9 May 1900

State of Missouri      }  
County of *Greene*      } SS

On this **15 day of June A.D. one thousand nine hundred and five** personally appeared before me, a Notary Public within and for the County and State aforesaid, **Andrew J. Potter**, who being duly sworn according to law, declares he is **64 years of age**, and a **resident of Springfield, County of Greene, State of Mo**, and that he is the identical person who was **enrolled at Fair Grove** under the name of Andrew J. Potter on or about the 24 day of August 1864 as Second Lieut in Company E of the 16<sup>th</sup> Mo Cav in the service of the United States in the war of the rebellion and served at least ninety days, and was Honorably Discharged at Springfield on the 1<sup>st</sup> of July 1865. That he also served was in the U. S. Home Guards under Col. J. S. Phelps, Capt J. A. Mack 3 Months. Also Enrolled State Mo Malisha Served about one year. Col. H? Sheppard, Capt G. A. \_\_\_ ... That he was **born on the 2<sup>nd</sup> day of May in the year 1841 at Green Co. MO** and that his personal description

at enlistment was as follows: Height 6 feet, [ten crossed out] inches; complexion Fair; hair Light; eyes Blue. That he is suffering from disability ... to wit: Kidney perible or Brights Disease Heart Trouble Rheumatism Breaking Down the Whole System. ... That his Post office Address is Springfield, County of Greene, State of MO. That he hereby appoints T. J. Gordon of Springfield, Mo his true and lawful attorney to prosecute his claim and Paid a fee of \$2.00 if Successful.

Andrew J. Potter

Attest: G. D. Clerk  
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Declaration for Widow's Pension

State of Missouri }  
County of Greene } SS

On this **27 day of April A.D. one thousand nine hundred and Seven** personally appeared before me, ... **J. H. Potter, aged 59 years**, a resident of the County of Greene State of Missouri, who, being duly sworn according to law, makes the following declaration ...

That she is the **widow of Andrew J. Potter**, who was Commissioned under the name of Andrew J. Potter at Springfield Missouri on the 24<sup>th</sup> day of August 1864 as a 2<sup>nd</sup> Lieutenant in Company E 16<sup>th</sup> Regt Cavalry Missouri Volunteers and honorably discharged July 1<sup>st</sup> 1865 having served ninety days or more during the late war of the rebellion. That the soldier was ... a Lieutenant in Company E 12<sup>th</sup> Enrolled Missouri militia.

That she married under the name of **Miss J. H. Haden** to said soldier at Greene County Missouri on the **22<sup>nd</sup> day January 1867** by R. M. Winn Justice of the Peace, ... that she had not been previously married; that the soldier had not been previously married.

That the said **soldier died February 17<sup>th</sup> 1907** at Greene County Missouri, ...

That the said soldier left the following named children who are now living and under sixteen years of age, to wit:

No children left surviving said deceased soldier under 16 years of age and only one of any age viz: **Joseph H. Potter born 14 Sept 1890**

That she hereby appoints John A. Patterson Springfield Missouri her true and lawful attorney .... J H Potter. Attest: W. H. Thomas, Robert L/C Forrester

State of Missouri }  
County of Greene } ss

In the matter of claim for Pension of Joan Hester Potter, widow of Andrew J. Potter deceased, **J. R. Vestal** being duly sworn .... he is the duly elected, qualified and acting **Collector of Taxes** for the county of Greene and State of Missouri, and as such officer has the custody of the proper records describing all taxable property borne on the rolls in the name of claimant Joan Hester Potter or the name of her deceased husband the said Andrew J. Potter for the years 1906 and 1907.

That said records shows no property whatever assessed to said Joan Hester Potter.

That said records show that the NE 1/ 4 of the NW 1/ 4 and the N 1/ 2 of the SE 1 /4 of the NW 1/4 of Section 10, Township 28, Range 22 containing **60 acres more or less**

in said Greene County is assessed in the name of said Andrew J. Potter, at a valuation of \$660. .... There is also assessed to Andrew J. Potter for year 1906, personal property to value of \$185. ... J. R. Vestal

Subscribed and Sworn to before me this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of August 1907 ....

State of Missouri        }  
County of Greene        } ss

In the matter of claim for Pension of **Joan Hester Potter, widow** of Andrew J. Potter deceased, claimant being duly sworn ..... That her husband at the time of his death owned 60 Acres of land .... the same being his Homestead, and that of claimant together with **their son Joseph Haden Potter, a minor**, said minor being their **only surviving child now 16 years of age**, and being the only person living under obligation to provide for the support and maintenance of claimant. ...

Joan Hester Potter

Subscribed and Sworn to before me this August 6<sup>th</sup> 1907 ....

#### Declaration for Pension

State of Missouri        }  
County of Greene        } SS

On this \_\_\_ day of \_\_\_ A.D. one thousand nine hundred and Seventeen personally appeared .... **Joann Hester Potter**, who being duly sworn according to law, declares that She is 70 years of age, and a resident of Strafford, county of Greene, State of Missouri, and that her husband, Andrew J. Potter was the identical person who was enrolled at **Fair Grove Mo** under the name Andrew J. Potter the 24 day Aug 1864 as 2<sup>nd</sup> Lieutenant in Co E 16<sup>th</sup> Reg Calv Mo Vol. in the service of the United States in the Civil war, and was mustered out at Springfield, Mo on the 1 day of July 1865. ... This is a Declaration for Increase Pension as per age ... I was **born March 10, 1847** ... My Original Certificate No 634,596 ... That my post office address is Strafford county Greene, State of Missouri.

Joann Hester Potter

Subscribed and sworn this 16 day of April 1917 ...

Drop Report - Pensioner  
Certificate No. 634.596  
Joan Hester Potter

"dropped from roll because of death" **December 9, 1927**