

## Spanish America War: 1898 - Rhode Island Casualties

- Adams, Charles M. Private, US Army Hospital Corps; born Brighton, MA; enlisted at Camp Dyer, Quonset Point, RI, June 11, 1898, for 3 yrs.; died Feb. 2, 1901, while at Sorsogon, Luzon, Philippine Islands.
- Butler, Peter Private, First Rhode Island US Volunteer Infantry Co. I; born Ireland; residence at Lonsdale (Cumberland), RI; age 19; single; enrolled May 3, 1898; mustered-in at Camp Dyer, Quonset Point, RI, May 14, 1898, for 2 yrs.; died of typhoid fever Aug. 15/16, 1898, at Fort Myer, VA; buried at Arlington National Cemetery, VA; see also State Death Register, vol. 1898, pg. 591; son of Thomas & Mary.
- Cameron, Walter Seaman, USN; born Providence, RI; enlisted at NY, July 27, 1895, for 3 yrs.; assigned to U.S.S. Vermont & U.S.S. Maine; killed in explosion of U.S.S. Maine, Feb. 15, 1898, at Havana, Cuba.
- Clay, George Quartermaster 1st c., USN; born IL; residence at Newport, RI; enlisted at Newport, Sept. 16, 1897, for 1 yr.; assigned to U.S.S. Constellation; discharged Sept. 15, 1898; re-enlisted Sept. 22, 1898; died at Newport, RI, Jan. 29, 1899, of pneumonia; buried at Old Cemetery, Newport.
- Connell, John Thomas Private, US Army Hospital Corps; born Providence, RI; enrolled June 11, 1898; mustered-in at North Kingstown, RI, June 14, 1898, for 3 yrs.; died at General Hospital, Fort Myer, VA, July 31, 1898 (abscess of liver); see also State Death Register, Vol. 1898, pg. 695; son of Thomas & Ellen.
- Egan, William V. Private, 6th US Infantry Co. B; born County Cork, Ireland; enlisted at Providence, RI, March 17, 1897, for 3 yrs.; killed in action at San Juan, Cuba, July 1, 1898.
- Essex, Edward E. Private, First Rhode Island US Volunteer Infantry Co. C; born Warwick, RI; residence at Auburn (Cranston), RI; age 22; hostler; single; height 5' 6 3/4"; eyes gray; hair dark-brown; complexion fair; enrolled at Providence, April 28, 1898; mustered-in at Camp Dyer, Quonset Point, RI, May 13, 1898, for 2 yrs.; died of typhoid fever at 2nd Division Hospital, Camp Meade, Middletown, PA, Oct. 17, 1898; buried at Kreatly Oak Cemetery, Washington, DC; name and address of nearest relative or guardian, Mrs. George R. Austin, Auburn, RI
- Fewer, William J. Boatswain Mate 2nd c., USN; born New Foundland; residence at Providence, RI; enlisted at NY, Oct. 22, 1897, for 3 yrs.; assigned to U.S.S. Vermont and U.S.S. Maine; killed in explosion of U.S.S. Maine, Feb. 15, 1898, at Havana, Cuba.
- Franklin, Everett Private, First Rhode Island US Volunteer Infantry Co. I; residence at Colonial Beach, VA; enrolled May 6, 1898; mustered-in at Camp Dyer, Quonset Point, RI, May 14, 1898, for 2 yrs.; borne as sick at Fort Myer, VA, from July 13, until Aug. 1, 1898, when he died of typhoid fever; buried in Arlington, VA.
- Galvin, Thomas Landsman, USN; born Ireland; enlisted at Newport, RI, Sept. 10, 1897, for 1 yr.; assigned to U.S.S. Constellation; died at US Naval Hospital, Sept. 1, 1898.
- Graham, James A. Chief Yeoman, USN; born NY; residence at Newport, RI; enlisted at Newport, RI, Sept. 7, 1895, for 3 yrs.; assigned to U.S.S. Constellation, U.S.S. Vermont and U.S.S. Maine; killed in explosion of U.S.S. Maine, Feb. 15, 1898, at Havana, Cuba.
- Hamilton, Charles A. Apprentice, 1st c., USN; born Newport, RI; enlisted at NY, May 13, 1895, for service "during minority"; assigned to U.S.S. Minnesota, U.S.S. Constellation, U.S.S. Essex and U.S.S. Maine; killed in explosion of U.S.S. Maine, Feb. 15, 1898, at Havana, Cuba.
- Harris, Orin C. Private, 20th US Infantry Co. A; born Manville (Lincoln), RI; enlisted at Chicago, IL, June 10, 1898, for 3 yrs.; died at Fort Thomas, KY, Aug. 22, 1898.
- Howland, Richmond Apprentice 3rd c., USN; born Warren, RI; enlisted at Newport, RI, Nov. 15, 1898, for service "during minority"; assigned to U.S.S. Constellation and Naval Hospital; died Feb. 7, 1899.

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- Johnson, Emil Morris      Landsman, Member RI Naval Reserve in US Service; born Seekonk, MA; age 18 years, 11 months; residence at East Providence, RI; enlisted at Newport, RI, May 26, 1898, for 1 yr.; assigned to U.S.S. Constellation; died at Naval Hospital, Newport, RI, July 5, 1898, of typhoid fever; buried at Carpenter's Cemetery, Rumford, RI; see also State Death Register, vol. 1898, pg. 623; son of Martin & Eliza; death registered at Newport, RI.
- Kellett, Charles          Private, First Rhode Island US Volunteer Infantry Co. B; born Granard, Ireland; residence at Providence, RI; age 21; teamster; single; son of Charles & Margaret; height 5' 5"; eyes brown; hair black; complexion dark; enrolled at Providence, April 30, 1898; mustered-in at Camp Dyer, Quonset Point, RI, May 14, 1898, for 2 yrs.; died of typhoid fever at St. Mary's Hospital, Philadelphia, PA, Aug/Sept (both noted). 6, 1898; buried at St. Francis Cemetery, Pawtucket, RI; see also State Death Register, vol. 1898, pg. 703; name and address on nearest relative or guardian, Mr. Peter McQuillian, Providence, RI.
- Kennedy, Thomas         Artificer, 16th US Infantry Co. C; born Pawtucket, RI; enlisted at Fort Sherman, ID, Jan. 18, 1897, for 3 yrs; died at Camp Wheeler, Huntsville, AL, Oct. 11, 1898.
- Lynch, Matthew         Coal Passer, USN; born MA; residence at Providence, RI; enlisted at Boston, MA, Dec. 3, 1896, for 3 yrs.; assigned to U.S.S. Wabash, U.S.S. Franklin and U.S.S. Maine; killed in explosion of U.S.S. Maine, Feb. 15, 1898, at Havana, Cuba.
- McMahon, Patrick       Private, First Rhode Island US Volunteer Infantry Co. L; England (naturalized); residence at 683 Atwells Avenue, Providence, RI; age 36; weaver; single; height 5' 7"; eyes gray; hair black; weight 137 lbs.; enrolled at Woonsocket, RI, June 4, 1898; mustered-in at Camp Dyer, Quonset Point, RI, June 15, 1898, for 2 yrs.; killed by railroad train Aug. 27, 1898, at Highspire, PA; burial at St. Francis Cemetery, Pawtucket, RI; previously served as Private with Co. I, 22nd US Infantry; honorably discharged, 1889, character good; parents deceased in England
- Murphy, John Thomas    Corporal, First Rhode Island US Volunteer Infantry Co. I; born Providence, RI; residence at 16 Culver Street, Providence; age 22; clerk; single; son of Owen & Annie; height 5' 7 1/2"; eyes blue; hair brown; weight 132 lbs.; enrolled at 614 Westminster Street, Providence, May 28, 1898; mustered-in at Camp Dyer, Quonset Point, RI, June 15, 1898, for 2 yrs.; enrolled as Private; died of typhoid fever at Fort Myer, VA, Aug. 29/30, 1898; buried at Arlington National Cemetery, Alexandria, VA; see also State Death Register, vol. 1898, pg. 703; previously served with Co. H, 2nd Regiment, RI Militia.
- Radloff, Charles Denver   Private, First Rhode Island US Volunteer Infantry Co. I; born Pawtucket, RI; residence at Chaplin Street, Pawtucket; age 18; hostler; single; height 5' 6 3/4"; eyes blue; hair dark-brown; weight 129 1/2 lbs.; upon written consent of parent, enrolled at Pawtucket, May 6, 1898; mustered-in at Camp Dyer, Quonset Point, RI, May 14, 1898, for 2 yrs.; died of typhoid fever July 30, 1898, at Fort Myer, VA; buried at Arlington, VA; name and address of nearest relative or guardian, James Radloff, Pawtucket, RI (father).
- Ross, John Robert        Wagoner, First Rhode Island US Volunteer Infantry Co. F; born Halifax, Nova Scotia, Feb. 4, 1876; residence at Newport, RI; age 22; bottler; single; height 6' 1 1/4"; eyes hazel; hair dark-brown; complexion dark; weight 163 lbs.; enrolled at Newport, May 6, 1898; mustered-in at Camp Dyer, Quonset Point, RI, May 11 1898, for 2 yrs.; died of pneumonia and typhoid fever at General Hospital, Fort Myer, VA, Aug. 8, 1898; buried at Arlington National Cemetery, VA; previously served three (3) years as Private with Newport Artillery Company; name and address of nearest relative or guardian, Alexander I. Ross, Newport, RI.
- Scholz, Emil             Principal Musician, First Rhode Island US Volunteer Infantry Field & Staff; born North Attleboro, MA; residence at Pawtucket, RI; age 22; musician; single; height 6' 4 1/2"; eyes blue; hair light brown; complexion fair; enrolled and mustered-in at Camp Dyer, Quonset, Point, RI, May 10, 1898, for 2 yrs.; appointed principal musician to fill original vacancy in regiment by regimental order. # 1, dated May 10, 1898; died of typhoid fever, Sept. 11, 1898, at North Attleboro, MA; buried at Plainville, MA; name and address of nearest relative or guardian, Robert Scholz, Plainville, MA.

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- Smith, Edward                      Corporal, 2nd US Artillery Battery F; born Leitrim, Ireland; enlisted at Fort Adams, Newport, RI, Oct. 21, 1897, for 3 yrs.; died at Savannah, GA, Jan. 21, 1899.
- Smith, Frederick                    Private, 2nd US Artillery Battery F; born New Bedford, MA; enlisted at Fort Adams, Newport, RI, March 11, 1898, for 3 yrs.; died at Fall River, MA, Sept. 5, 1898.
- Sprague, George B.                Private, First Rhode Island US Volunteer Infantry Co. B; residence at Manville (Lincoln), RI; enrolled June 1, 1898; mustered-in at Camp Dyer, Quonset Point, RI, June 17, 1898, for 2 yrs.; died at University Hospital, Philadelphia, PA, Oct. 17, 1898, of kidney disease; buried at Manville, RI.
- Stewart, Peter L.                   Private, First Rhode Island US Volunteer Infantry Co. D; born East Greenwich, RI; residence at Ashton, RI; age 20; laborer; married; enrolled May 17, 1898; mustered-in at Camp Dyer, Quonset Point, RI, June 15, 1898, for 2 yrs.; died of typhoid fever at St. Joseph's Hospital, Lancaster, PA, Sept. 11/12, 1898; son of John & Catherine; see also State Death Register, vol. 1898, pg. 592.
- Swank, Thaddeus A.                Private, First Rhode Island US Volunteer Infantry Co. A; born RI; age 21; residence at Providence, RI; enrolled May 20, 1898; mustered-in at Camp Dyer, Quonset Point, RI, June 15, 1898, for 2 yrs.; died of typhoid fever, Oct. 23, 1898, at St. Agnes Hospital, Philadelphia, PA; buried in family lot, Newport, RI; see also State Death Register, vol. 1898, pg. 630.
- Wetherell, Alexander Mac.        Captain, 6th US Infantry Co. F; born PA; appointed from RI, Sept. 9, 1898; originally appointed from PA, and commissioned 2nd Lieutenant, May 9, 1867; commissioned 1st Lieutenant April 28, 1875; served as regimental quartermaster from March 1, 1887, until Jan. 3, 1890; commissioned Captain, Jan. 3, 1890; killed in action July 1, 1898, at the battle of Santiago, Cuba; posthumously awarded silver star citation by the War Department, June 23, 1924, for gallantry in action against Spanish forces at the battle of Santiago, Cuba.