According to a report from the War Department, William H. Williams and Eli Richards served in Cos. I and F, 39" U.S.C. Infantry.

Edward E. Harris, of Baltimore, Maryland, testified,

December 30, 1891, that he remembers when the claimant, John Armstrong, went into the war; that he was a sound and hearty man, and when he came out in 1865 he was suffering with weakness of the back and rheumatism.

Similar testimony is given by Alfred Prout, of Baltimore, Maryland, in his affidavit of December 31, 1891.

The pensioner stated in a family circular dated March 30, 1898, that he was married to Charlotte Sheppard on September 11, 1873, by Rev. A. Robinson, at Baltimore, Maryland, and that neither of them had been previously married. He further states that he has no children.

His discharge certificate is not on file.

Very respectfully,

Commissioner.