

ESDAY, DECEMBER 4, 1928.

Civil War ^{B. H.} Veteran Dies

Funeral Services for H. C. Smith Were
Held Sunday Afternoon.

HAD MADE HOME IN
GRINNELL FORTY-FOUR YEARS

Mr. Smith Had Had A Notable Career
As Soldier and
Citizen.

Henry Clay Smith was born April 7, 1843 in Scott county, Tenn., and passed away at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Mary Viele, 1405 Reed street, Grinnell, at three o'clock Friday morning, November 30, 1928, aged 85 years, 2 months, and 23 days.

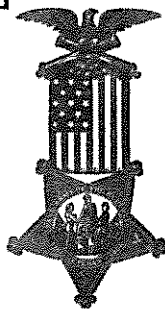
On March 28, 1870 he was united in marriage with Miss Nancy Parmley. To this union eight children were born. Three children died in infancy. The surviving children are, Mrs. Mary Viele, George and Cross Smith of Grinnell, Mrs. Harriet Gunther, Bonner's Ferry, Idaho, and John Smith of Des Moines. There are fourteen grandchildren and four great grandchildren. His wife died April 13, 1912.

Mr. Smith came to Iowa March 27, 1873, and made his home in Rock Creew township, Jasper county, later moving to Grinnell where he has lived forty-four years. He was a member of the I. O. O. F. and of the Grand Army of the Republic.

Mr. Smith had a notable army career. Enlisting early in the war he served to its conclusion. He was wounded in action at Columbia, Tenn. He served the full period of a first enlistment, receiving his discharge but enlisted the next day as a veteran in the same company. He was made a first sergeant. His regiment was the 12th Kentucky Vol. Inf. and he served in Company I.

He was in many engagements some of the more notable being, Shiloh, Corinth, siege of Knoxville. He was also in Sherman's army and took part in the siege of Atlanta. He received an honorable discharge, July 11, 1865, at Greensboro, North Carolina. Mr. Smith was intensely patriotic, honest and upright in character.

Funeral services were held at the home, 1405 Reed street, on Sunday afternoon, conducted by Rev. George Blagg. Appropriate hymns were sung by a quartet consisting of Messrs. Barkelew, Lindsay, Myers and Dawkins. Burial was made in Hazelwood. The pallbearers were members of the I. O. O. F. Lodge.



Grand Army of the Republic

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HENRY CLAY SMITH

2015 will mark the 150th anniversary of the end of America's Civil War. Grinnell Historical Museum volunteers Karen Groves, Ann Igoe, Julie Young and Shane Estes have created biographies of men who were participants in a local project just after World War I to photograph Civil War veterans. The Nina Wayne Grau Studio photographed the Grinnell veterans in 1922. Over 200 Civil War veterans are buried in Hazelwood Cemetery, including most of the veterans photographed in 1922. Here is one of those portraits and biographies:

Henry Clay Smith was born April 7, 1843, in Scott County, Tenn. He enlisted in Company I of the 12th Kentucky Infantry and served in this union regiment throughout the war.

His first enlistment was for three years. When he received his discharge, he enlisted the next day as a veteran in the same company and was made a first sergeant. He was wounded at Columbia, Tenn., and served in many campaigns and engagements in the western and southern theaters, including Shiloh, Corinth, General Buell's Campaign in North Alabama and Middle Tennessee, pursuit of General Bragg

in Kentucky, Perryville, operations against the raider John Hunt Morgan, General Burnside's march over Cumberland Mountains and into East Tennessee, Knoxville, the siege of Chattanooga, General William Sherman's March to the Sea, New Hope Church, Allatoona, Marietta, Kennesaw Mountain, Chattahoochee River, Jonesboro, Lovejoy Station, Battle of Franklin, the siege of Atlanta and the pursuit

of Confederate General Hood. He was at Bennett's House for the surrender of Confederate General Johnston and his army.

On March 28, 1870, he married Nancy Parmley. They lived in his home on the Tennessee side of the border with Kentucky until

they moved to Kentucky in the winter of 1872-73. In March of 1873 they moved to Rock Creek Township in Jasper County. In 1885 they moved to an acreage near Grinnell.

The couple had eight children, three of whom died in infancy. The five who survived into adulthood were Mary Smith Viele, George Smith, Cross Smith, Harriet Smith Gunther and John Smith.

Smith was a member of the International Order of Odd Fellows and of the Grand Army of the Republic, an organization of Civil War veterans.

Smith was living at 1405 Reed St. when he died on Nov. 30, 1928, at the age of 85 years, two months and 23 days. He was buried at Hazelwood Cemetery.

