William J. Adams.

William J. Adams was born near Detroit, Mich., Jan. 8, 1842, and died at Whittler, Cal., Jan. 9, 1916, aged 74 years and 1 day. In 1856 he came with his parents to Jasper county, Ia. where he resided until December, 1913. In company with his son and family he then moved to Whittier, Cal., and resided there until his death. On March 1, 1866, he was united in marriage with Lovina Starr, who preceded him to her reward Nov. 26, 1905. To this union were born five children. Two daughters and one son survive him. On June 24, 1915, he was again united in marriage to Mary I. Nickolson of Whittier, Cal., who survives him. In early life he united with Bethel M. E. church and was an active worker until moving to California. He then transferred his membership and took up the work in the Methodist church of Whittier.

In 1862 he enlisted in Company K. Twenty-eighth Iowa volunteer infantry, where he served three years. He was feeling unusually well Saturday, and died very suddenly Sunday morning.

The body was brought to Grinnell, and on Sunday Rev. W. J. Robertson conducted funeral services at Bethel church. Interment was in Bethel cemetery.