OLD RESIDENT OF

SHERIDAN DIES

James E. Dee Who Came To Sheridan in 1880 passes away at Age of 83 Years

James E. Dee, one of the most universally respected men of the Tama neighborhood, died at his home in Sheridan township, Poweshiek county, Wednesday morning of heart failure. While his health had been impaired for several years his condition was not regarded as immediately serious and his death came as a shock to the members of his family and to his friends.

Mr. Dee was born in Georgia, Vermont, April 7, 1843, and died at the age of 83. He was brought west by his parents in 1852, the family settling in Ohio and living there three years, then removing to Illinois, where Mr. Dee was living at the outbreak of the Civil War. He enlisted in the 69th Illinois Volunteer regiment and served the Union loyally until he was honorably mustered out of the service at the close of the war.

Mr. Dee was married to Miss May McElvania in Illinois in 1867 and he and his family continued to live there until 1880 when they came to Sheridan township, Mr. Dee buying and located on a farm which was destined to remain his home until the day of his death, a period of forty-six years. He is survived by his wife and three children, Mrs. Charles Wolcott and Mrs. Walter Hays, of Sheridan, and Harry Dee, of Mount Vernon. He is also survived by eleven grandchildren and two great-grandchildren. He also leaves one brother, Henry A. Dee of Tama.

Mr. Dee was a member of the G. A. R. and in the days of his strength loved to attend its meetings and reunions. He was also a life-long member of the Methodist Episcopal church and was devoted to its teachings, seldom being absent from its services.

He was in every respect a splendid citizen and all who knew him admired and placed the most implicit confidence in him. He will be missed in the family circle and by many friends.

The funeral was held at the Sheridan church today.—Tama News-Herald.