

MALCOM PIONEER PASSES IN FLORIDA

July 3, 1925 C-4
Carl H. Verbeck, Veteran of the Civil War, Dies at the Age of 91 Years.

FUNERAL SERVICES WERE HELD HERE TODAY

Were Conducted by Rev. E. M. Vittum
from Home of Mr. Verbeck's
Son, Luther.

The death of Carlos Henry Verbeck which occurred at St. Petersburg, Fla., June 26, takes away a man who had made his home in Poweshiek County for sixty years and may justly be entitled to be called an early settler.

Carlos Henry Verbeck was the son of Luther M. and Lucy White Verbeck. He was born in Stanstead, Province of Quebec, December 22, 1833. At the time of his death he was 91½ years old.

He was the oldest and last one to live of eight children. He learned the carpenter trade and when a young man moved to Illinois. He enlisted with the Eighth Illinois cavalry and served four years in the Union Army. At the close of the war he returned to Bloomington, Ill., and soon after was married to Emily Meredith. One son, Luther M., was born to this union.

In 1865 they moved to a farm southwest of Malcom and for 22 years this was their home. In 1887 they moved to Grinnell and here Mr. Verbeck became a member of the Congregational Church. In 1913 he went to St. Petersburg, Fla., where he has lived ever since. He leaves one son, Luther, and a wife at St. Petersburg whose health is too delicate to permit her to come to Grinnell to attend the funeral.

Funeral services were held at the home of Luther Verbeck at ten o'clock this morning conducted by Rev. E. M. Vittum. Two solos were sung by Mrs. Ferd Kiesel. Bearers were comrades of Luther Verbeck in the Spanish-American War: B. A. Abel, J. L. Fellows, D. L. Campbell, C. L. McNally, J. W. Rehder and Jack Foster.

A large company of friends, members of the G. A. R., Spanish War Veterans, neighbors in Grinnell and neighbors from the old home near the farm were present to express their appreciation of the manly character of the deceased man and their friendship for the living relatives.

The writer has been acquainted with Mr. Verbeck about thirty-five years. He was always a vigorous and active man, a deep thinker and a wide reader. He took an interest in politics, in the affairs of the nation and in the work of the Grand Army. He was a regular attendant at church, at party conventions and at Grand Army reunions. We knew him as a quiet man of deep convictions and of a strong idea of what was right in government and in morals. Our association with him was such that we learned to admire him for his manly qualities and broad-minded sympathy. In his death his friends have lost a sympathetic neighbor and Grinnell mourns a true minded man of gentlemanly qualities and human love.