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## County's Last Vet of Civil War Dies

### Frederick Pettygrove Passes Away Wednesday

Frederick Pettygrove, 97, Clay County's last Civil war veteran, died Wednesday afternoon at about 3 o'clock at the home of his daughter, Mrs. George P Smith, Prairie and 12th street, Spencer, following an illness of one week. Complications incident to old age were given as the cause of death.

Funeral services will be conducted at 2 o'clock Friday afternoon at Cobbs Funeral Home and the body will be taken to new Hampton, Iowa, Mr. Pettygrove's former home, for burial Saturday. Reverend L. J. Weinert will conduct the funeral services here.

He is survived by seven children as follows: George Pettygrove of Tonopah, Nev., John Pettygrove of Orange, Calif., Fred Pettygrove of Minneapolis, Minn., Frank Pettygrove a Webster City, Iowa, Mrs. John Kane of Webster City, Iowa, Mrs. Ida O'Brien of Carlyle, Mont., and Mrs. Smith of Spencer.

Comrade Pettygrove in listed with Company C. Second Wisconsin Infantry and served for three years and three days with the Army of the Potomac. Among the battles in which he saw action were Bull Run, Antietam, Gettysburg, Chancellorsville, Wilderness, Cold Harbor, Fredericksburg, and Gainesville.

#### In Iron Brigade

He belonged to what was known as the Iron Brigade and during his period of action was wounded four times. He carried scars on both sides of his neck marking the place where a bullet pierced through his neck. He also received several body wounds.

Mr. Pettygrove was born in Maine in 1840 and came to Iowa about 50 years ago after spending some time in Wisconsin.

He lived at New Hampton, Iowa until about 11 years ago when he moved to Spencer with his daughter Mrs. George P Smith.