

Death Takes Charles S. Curler, Dallas' Last Civil War Veteran

Local Man Succumbs Two Days After Wife Passes Away

Death came at 8:40 last night to Charles Sylvanus Curler of this city, Dallas County's last Civil war veteran. Mr. Curler, who was 95 years of age, had been in failing health for some time.

Mr. Curler died only two days after Mrs. Curler succumbed on Monday afternoon.

Funeral services, for both Mr. and Mrs. Curler, will be held tomorrow at 2:30 p.m. at the Bessmer Funeral home. Dr. J. B. Ackman of the Methodist church will officiate and burial will be in Violet Hill cemetery. Mrs. Curler's rites had previously been scheduled for this afternoon but were postponed when Mr. Curler passed away last night.

Both lie in state at the funeral home.

Mr. Curler was born Nov. 27, 1848 in Ferrisburgh, Vt., the son of Mr. And Mrs. David Curler.

In 1863 he enlisted in the Union army at New York. He joined Company I of the New York infantry and served as a private in the army until the end of the Civil war. In later years he became a charter member of the Redfield Post No. 26, Grand Army of the Republic.

On June 15, 1874 he was married to Sarah Porter at Essex, N. Y. and in November of 1877 they came to Iowa, locating at what was then the town of Woodville in Jasper County. The town later went out of existence.

In March of 1880 the Curlers came to Perry and had made their home here since. For a number of years Mr. Curler was a machinist at the Milwaukee roundhouse, retiring around 1900.

Mr. Curler was a member of the Methodist church.

Surviving are two sons, John of Perry and Luther of San Pedro, Calif.; three daughters, Mrs. Mary Connally of Tempe, Ariz., Mrs. H. B. West and Mrs. Martin Stine, both of Adel, Ia.; ten grandchildren and three great grandchildren.