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## Taps For County's Last Civil War Veteran

### E. N. LEE DIES AT HOME HERE AT AGE OF 98

Death Follows Fall at His Home,  
Fracturing Right Leg.

### FUNERAL THURSDAY

Marks End of Grand Army of  
Republic in Hamilton County

Taps sounded for Hamilton County's last Civil war veteran late yesterday afternoon when E. N. Lee, 98, died at his home, 304 Wilson avenue. On April 1, there were only 5,328 Civil war veterans living – all of them past 90 years of age.

Mr. Lee's death was caused by complications, which developed following a fall at his home April 10, at which time he suffered a fracture of his right leg near the hip. He received treatment at the hospital but was taken to his home last Tuesday.

Funeral services will be held Thursday afternoon at 2 o'clock at the home and at 2:30 o'clock at the Baptist church, with the Rev. J. E. Bruner officiating and burial in Graceland cemetery. Foster's is in charge.

### The Family

Mr. Lee is survived by two children: Elon N. Lee, jr., of Willowbrook, Cal., and Mrs. Maude Lee Wood, of this city. There are also three grandchildren: Elon Lee Wood and Miss Leanna Wood, students at the University of Iowa, at Iowa City, and Rolie Wood, of this city.

Mr. Lee came to Webster City in 1874, and entered the lumber business on the site now occupied by the Spahn & Rose Lumber Company, 508 Des Moines Street. He continued this business for 22 years. He was a member of Winfield Scott post, G. A. R., and was one of its most active members as long as his health permitted.

Elon N. Lee was born in Niagara county, New York, May 15, 1840, his parents being Mary E. Chesbro and Nelson Lee. His mother was a nurse during the Civil war and Mary Lee tent, Daughters of Union Veterans, of this city, was named after her.

### Widely Schooled

At the age of seven years, E. N. Lee moved with his parents to Walworth county, Wisconsin, settling near Elkhorn. Later they moved to a farm nearer Delavan, which place remained the parental home until his mother's death in 1890. Mr. Lee was brought up in a Christian home, his parents always

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