

DEATH OF A. E. QUAIFE

An esteemed Townsman, Passes Away after a Lingerin Illness.

As the shades of night gathered last Friday it brought in its sable folds intense anguish and pain to the home of our esteemed citizen and friend A. E. Quaife, who after suffering a long and painful illness, laid down the affairs of life and entered his eternal rest.

ALBERT E. QUAIFE was born near Providence, R. I., April 17, 1842 and died at his home in Brooklyn Friday, June 15th, 1906, aged 64 years, 1 month and 25 days. His parents were factory employes and after a few years of transient life settled on a farm in Oswego county, N. Y., in 1852. In the spring of '55 they came to a farm near Elgin, Ill., and in the fall of the same year moved to Chickasaw county, northeast of Ionia. Deceased lived on this farm until 1860, when he spent a short time teaching country schools and in March 1862 he started on foot to Grinnell where he desired to gain an education. But his love of country was too strong to permit him to remain at home when needed elsewhere and he decided to make the great sacrifice, entering the army for a three years enlistment in Aug. 21, 1862 and becoming a member of Co. H 28th Ia. Inf. Vol. At the close of the war he came back to Iowa and resided a few years in Bradford, then taking up farm life near Ionia where he resided until 1895 when he moved to Nashua which has since been his home.

Mr. Quaife was one of a family of twelve children all of whom died in infancy except three brothers, John of Traverse City, Mich., Stephen of Hawatba, Kas and Charles of near Ionia. In 1868 Mr. Quaife was married to Laura A. Kenyon of Vermont, who died during the following year leaving one daughter, who has passed away. He was married in 1871 to Barbara Hine who died in 1896. To this union four sons and two daughters were born Howard of Mason City, Clarence, Milo and Lawrence, Mrs. Simerson of Stevens Point, Wis., and Miss Helen of Nashua.

In 1898 deceased was married to Mrs. Hattie Miller, of Riverton, who together with the sorrowing children survive to cherish the memory of a loving and devoted father and husband.

Mr. Quaife was a familiar figure up on the streets of Nashua and took a great interest in the welfare of the community. He engaged in various business pursuits but the desires upon which he had most firmly set his heart were to give his children a good education and to provide a comfortable home in which he might pass the remainder of his days. The first he had accomplished and the joy of his life seemed to be in his many sons who were sitting out in life with such bright prospects.

Last November he was compelled to give up carrying mail on the rural route and from that time on was confined to his home on account of an intestinal cancer. His strength gradually left him and on Tuesday afternoon his comrades came to escort his body from the home in which he had anticipated so much comfort, to the last home in the cemetery.

The funeral services were conducted by Rev. Sinden of the Congregational church of which deceased was a member, having joined under Rev. Nutting in 1855. The members of the A. R. and W. R. C. attended in a body and conducted the services at the grave.