

Carlos W. Rowe

Added to the list of prominent residents of Keeseville who have answered the last roll call during the past few weeks, must be placed the honored name of Carlos W. Rowe, the last but two of the Civil War veterans of the village of Keeseville, and for many years Commander of Post Beaumont, G. A. R. before its dissolution, who passed away in the early hours of Thursday morning, March 31, after an illness of several months.

Mr. Rowe was born in the town of Lewis, May 3rd, 1835. His first marriage was on Sept. 11, 1866 to Lydia Ann Andrews, of the well known family at Douglas, a sister of the late Deacon Andrews; she died in 1904. On Sept. 2, 1909, he married Miss Emmaline Bushnell of Keeseville who survives.

He enlisted in the service of his country in Company I of the 77th New York Volunteers, Oct. 1, 1861, as a corporal and was mustered out at the termination of the service as 2nd Lieutenant Dec. 13, 1864. During this period his regiment was in action in over thirty engagements and among the more prominent actions in which he participated were, Fredericksburg, Gettysburg, Antietam, Williamsburg, and Pennsylvania Court House.

At one time he was captured with others of his regiment, but while on the way to prison he effected an escape.

For many years he and his family occupied one of the most beautiful farm sites along the shores of Lake Champlain, at Douglas, but with advance of years and the growth and departure of his children, he sold the farm to Dr. C. W. Straight and became a resident of the village, for fifteen years past having passed the winter season with Mrs. Rowe, in Orlando, Florida. This year his health conditions forbade the trip.

He was a faithful member of the local Baptist church, and was one of its deacons and a man of unquestioned integrity in all the walks of life. His patriotism was of the substantial sort that lasts through times of peace as well as war and included the conscientious use of the ballot. He never missed casting his vote unless some imperative necessity prevented and his political creed was Republican.

Besides his widow, he is survived by three children, Dr. Sidney A. Rowe of Glens Falls; Miss Florence A. Rowe of Jamaica, L. I., and Mrs. Melbern Woodruff, Fort Ann, N. Y.

Funeral services will be held from the Baptist church on Saturday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock.

Funeral services were held from the Baptist church on Saturday, Rev. R. S. O'Dell, pastor, officiating. The choir rendered two appropriate hymns, "There Is a Land of Pure Delight," and the "Sweet By and By." Mr. O'Dell very aptly drew the lesson of the usefulness of the long life of Mr. Rowe to home, Country, church, basing his remarks on the text: "Thou shalt come to thy grave in a full age, like as a shock of corn cometh in in season."

Ausable Valley Grange attended in a body as did the Keeseville Post of the American Legion. The burial was at Douglas where military honors were conducted by a firing squad from the 126th Infantry at Plattsburgh Barracks.

Bearers were: Fred Mussen, Henry Kingsland, Roy Bigelow, F. W. Barthnell, Ralph Bigelow and Allison Taylor.

Friends and relatives from out of town who were present were: Dr. and Mrs. Sidney A. Rowe and son Harold, Glens Falls; Miss Florence Rowe, Jamaica; Mr. and Mrs. Melbern Woodruff and daughter Laura, Ft. Ann; Mr. and Mrs. Frank Rowe, Glens Falls; Mr. Willis Mould, Lyon Mountain; Mr. Ralph Bigelow, Essex; Mr. and Mrs. George Day and Mrs. John Jarvis, Peru.