

Fred Grabbe Obituary

FUNERAL OF FRED GRABBE HELD ON HIS BIRTHDAY

10/16/42 –10/13/15

[image- Frederick Grabbe]

[image- Elizabeth Gray Grabbe]

The funeral of Frederick Grabbe, who died at the Jane McAlister hospital in Waukegan last week Thursday morning was held on Saturday, the 16th, the deceased man's seventy-third birthday. The services at the house on Park Place were in charge of Rev. H.M. Allburt of the Presbyterian church and were held at one o'clock. The remains were taken to the Ivanhoe cemetery for burial, with Masonic services at the grave. He had been a member of that order for over fifty-two years, joining the Rising Sun Lodge, now located at Grayslake, at Hainesville in 1863 and later transferring to Libertyville Lodge, where he was a member at the time of his death.

Mr. Grabbe was born in the Kingdom of Hanover, Germany, October 16, 1842. His parents moved to America when he was but three years old and settled in Fremont township, Lake county. The father died while the family lived in Chicago, but the mother was taken away while they lived in Fremont and it was beside her Mr. Grabbe was buried.

He enlisted in the War of the Rebellion, Oct. 20, 1861, in the 51st Illinois Infantry in Company G. His first promotion was from Private, in which rank he served two years, to Seventh Corporal and later to First Sergeant. He was mustered out a First Lieutenant Oct. 21, 1865, when he was honorably discharged at the close of the war. He served in thirty-one battles and was severely wounded at Chickamauga, carrying one of his shoulders low as a result of the bullet.

He was married on Christmas Day of 1872 to Miss Elizabeth Gray, who with the three sons born to them, survive him. Besides them he leaves a brother, Henry Grabbe, who lives with his family at Fremont and a sister, Mrs. Emma Fisher.