

[Hilts, George W.]

WAR VETERAN DEAD

George W. Hilts Expires at His Home From Stomach Trouble

George W. Hilts, a veteran of the Civil War, died at his home, 1023 West street, yesterday after an illness caused by an ulcer of the stomach. He was born in Herkimer 69 years ago and worked at the carpenter trade there until coming to this city 12 years ago where he was employed in the carpenter shops at the Savage Arms plant.

When he was 16 years old he enlisted his services in the cause of the North, serving 10 months and seeing action in the Battle of Petersburg. He was a member of Bacon Post, G.A.R. Besides his wife, who was Louise Brooks of Mohawk, he leaves five daughters and two sons as follows: Mrs. John L. [Dora] Hall of Utica, Mrs. Florence Hamstead of Denver, Mrs. May Fletcher of Denver, Mrs. Orville House of Mohawk, Mrs. G. W. Roberts of Rochester, Leonard R. Hilts and George Francis Hilts, both of Utica; and by two sisters and a brother, Mrs. Lacy Petrie of Herkimer, Mrs. Arthur Hall of Utica and Andrew Hilts of Herkimer.

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Funeral services for George W. Hilts, veteran of the Civil War, were conducted at the home of his daughter, Mrs. John L. Hall of 1023 West street, at 2:30 o'clock this morning [sic]. The Rev. W. [Willard] C. Selleck, D.D., pastor of the [Universalist] Church of the Reconciliation, officiated. The attendance, which was very large, included a delegation from Bacon Post, G.A.R., and the Daughters of Veterans. Members of Bacon Post acted as bearers. The floral tributes included wreaths from Bacon Relief Corps and the Daughters of Veterans, a bouquet of 69 Francis K. Scott roses from the children, each rose representing a year in the life of the deceased. Other pieces included a beautiful pillow of lilies and carnations from Mrs. George W. Hilts and bouquets from friends and relatives. Burial was made at Oak Hill Cemetery, Herkimer.

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