

Ward, David
Mustered Out Coopers Coopers
June 2, 1904.

Another old soldier has answered long roll call and has gone to join ^{the} vast army of our defenders of the Union who have crossed the silent river. Comrade David Ward died about 2 P.M. Monday morning May 30th after a sickness of several weeks passing away quietly and peacefully. He was taken sick with a severe cold and attack of bronchitis the latter part of the winter but recovered and got out + went to work in the damps + etc. His constitution could not stand that kind of treatment and he was again taken sick & succomed.

He had Bright's Disease followed by typhoid fever and in his enfeebled condition could not stand the ravages of the disease. The deceased was born in Gilford Co. N.C. in 1844 and was nearly 60 yrs old. He moved to Indiana with his parents in (1838)

many friends in extending sympathy
to Mrs. Ward & family in this hour of
bereavement. The nation has not lost
a great hero whose name has been
blazoned from the house tops for fame
achieved but it has lost a modest hero
who gave his life to the nation, if need be,
for the purpose of perpetuating our
glorious union. Let us hope that he will
meet with his reward in the realms of
eternal glory.

The funeral took place at the Baptist
church of which the deceased was a
member at 2 P.M. Tues. Rev. J. S. DeLong
pastor of the Methodist church
preaching the sermon.

The members of the G.A.R. acted as
pall bearers. The remains were interred
in the cemetery.

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and from there to Hebr. When the war broke out he hastened to enlist and joined Co A. 139th regiment Indiana volunteers at the age of 11, enlisting Apr 10, 1861 at Greenbord Ind. serving 3 years & 8 months, receiving an honorable discharge Sept 29, 1864 at Indianapolis Ind.

He was married in 1871 to Kate Bechler and as a result of that union several children were born & survive him as follows: Mrs. George Adams, Mrs. Eliza Williams, Mrs. Rachel Stabnow and a son Henry.

David Ward & family moved to G. Co 6 yrs ago last fall. During his resid. here he had made many friends. He was one of those genial old soldiers who always looked on the bright side of life and was cheerful at all times. The Courier joins with