

LIGHTER(LITER),HENRY C

Name LITER, HENRY C
Rank PVT Company E Unit 101 IL US INF

Personal Characteristics

Residence ARCADIA, MORGAN CO, IL Age 18 Height 5' 11 Hair DARK
Eyes DARK Complexion DARK Marital Status SINGLE Occupation FARMER
Nativity MORGAN CO, IL

Service Record

Joined When AUG 9, 1862 Joined Where ARCADIA, IL
Joined By Whom CHAS SAMPLE Period 3 YRS
Muster In SEP 2, 1862 Muster In Where JACKSONVILLE, IL
Muster In By Whom N/A Muster Out N/A
Muster Out Where N/A Muster Out By Whom N/A
Remarks DISCHARGED FEB 11, 1863 AT ST LOUIS MO FOR DISABILITY

He is listed on the Jacksonville Civil War monument and the 1872 Morgan Co. History.
He was living in Anita, IA in 1890. He was listed as LIGHTER.
He died Sep 3 1920 at Ft Collins, Colorado. Buried in Grandview Cemetery, Fort Collins, Larimer Co.

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HENRY C. LIGHTER.

Henry C. Lighter, justice of the peace and police magistrate at Fort Collins, was born in Morgan county, Illinois. July 12, 1844, a son of Andrew and Nancy J. (Pagett) Lighter, who were natives of Kentucky. The father was a farmer by occupation and in early life went to Illinois, where he followed agricultural pursuits until about 1846. He then removed to Oskaloosa, Iowa, where he took up government land but only lived for a year and a half thereafter. His wife survived for some time, passing away in 1865.

Henry C. Lighter was but a year and a half old when his father died, and when he was a little lad of seven years his uncle took him back to Illinois and educated him. He was studying medicine when the Civil war broke out and, putting aside his textbooks and other personal interests, he enlisted at the age of seventeen years, in 1862, as a member of Company E, One Hundred and First Illinois Infantry, with which he served for about two years, when he became ill and had to return home. While at the front he was taken prisoner. After the close of his military experience he returned to Iowa and took up the occupation of farming upon rented land, which he cultivated for a year. In 1870 he removed to Cass county, Iowa, where he purchased raw land which he developed and brought under a high state of cultivation. He operated that farm for five years, after which he sold the property and removed to Anita, Iowa. Where he engaged in the hotel and livery business, occupying one barn there for thirty-two years. At length he sold his business there and in 1904 removed to Colorado, establishing his home at Fort Collins. For a few years he did not engage in business, enjoying a well earned and well merited rest. In 1910, however, he again became active in connection with the public interests of the community, being elected justice of the peace, to which position he has been reelected at each biennial period since that time. During

his incumbency in office he has tried almost two thousand cases, and out of three hundred and eighty-five criminal cases all but fifteen were bound over.

Mr. Lighter was married on the 11th of March, 1869, to Miss Hattie J. Libby and to them were born three children: Effie May, Edwin C. and Henrietta. The wife and mother passed away March 30, 1914. after a short illness.

Politically Mr. Lighter has always been a stalwart republican and his religious faith is that of the Methodist church. He belongs to the Grand Army of the Republic and thus maintains pleasant relations with his old military comrades, with whom he marched to the defense of the Union in the Civil war. He owns a pleasant home and a ten-acre tract of land at the edge of Fort Collins and is nicely situated in life, his official duties making sufficient demand upon his energies so that time does not hang heavy on his hands, nor is the burden he is bearing too strenuous for a man of his years, for Mr. Lighter has passed the seventy-fourth milestone on life's journey