

Joseph D Doucett
14th WI Infantry, Company E

Born: Branna, New Brunswick to Joseph D and Margaret Doucett

Declaration of Intent: Doucett, Joseph, born 1827 New Brunswick, port of entry Maine in June 1855; filed intent November 3, 1856.

Married: March 21, 1857 at Manitowoc Rapids to Cloe Lovely

Enlisted: January 28, 1862 as a Corporal from Manitowoc, WI, age 34, Married, Carpenter, 5'9", blue eyes, auburn hair

Wounded and taken prisoner at Battle of Corinth, Miss.

Discharged: February 24, 1863 due to wounds

Reenlisted: December 26, 1863

Discharged: July 10, 1865 from disability

Mustered Out:

Died: April 1868

Buried: Died in the fire and sinking of the *Sea Bird* off Milwaukee

Gravesite:

Manitowoc Pilot, April 17, 1868: "JOSEPH D. DOUCETT. Was of Scotch descent, and aged about 37 years. He came to this county some ten or twelve years ago to follow his occupation, that of lumberman, but a wound received in the service incapacitated him for severe manual labor, and at the time of the disaster he was keeping a boarding house for the employees of Vilas & Co.'s woolen mill, four miles up the river. He was on his way to Chicago on business relating to an application he had made for a pension. In October, 1861, he enlisted as a private in Co. E, Fourteenth Regiment, and was subsequently promoted to be a corporal and detailed as one of the regimental color guard. At the battle of Corinth, in October 1862, while his regiment was being driven from its position by the overwhelming numbers of the enemy. Doucett, in endeavoring to save the colors from capture, was borne to the ground by a bayonet thrust, and left for dead on the field. He was taken and cared for by the enemy, and when he recovered and returned to his friends in the January following, was welcomed as one from the dead. Always prompt and faithful in the execution of his duty, brave even to rashness, and upright and honorable as a man, the army rolls do not contain the name of a better soldier than was Jo. Doucett. May his memory be ever green. He leaves a wife and two children, who live near Vilas & Co.'s mill."

Manitowoc Pilot, March 10, 1870: "IN PROBATE - Manitowoc County court In the matter of the estate of Joseph D. Doucett, deceased. On reading and filing the petition of Chloe Doucett, of said county, representing among other things that Joseph C. Doucett(sic), late of said county, on the 9th day of April, A.D. 1868, near Waukegan, Ill., died intestate, leaving goods, chattels and estate within this state, and that the said petitioner is the widow of said deceased, and praying that administration of said estate be to T. C. Shove granted, it is ordered that said petition be heard before the judge of this court on Wednesday the 30th day of March A.D. 1870, at 10 o'clock a.m., at my office in said county. Ordered further, that notice thereof be given to the heirs of said deceased, and to all persons interested, by publishing a copy of this order for three successive weeks prior to said day of hearing, in the Manitowoc Pilot, a weekly newspaper published at Manitowoc in said county. W.W.Waldo, County Judge Manitowoc, March 3d, 1870."