

**J. Peter Koelzer**  
**14th WI Infantry, Company I**

Born: December 13, 1824 in Prussia

Wife: Eva, 1832-1922

1860 Federal Census: WI, Manitowoc County, Manitowoc Rapids Twp:

Peter Kelzer, 35, Farmer, RE 500, b Prussia

Effa Kelzer, 27, b Prussia

Chd: Gertrude-2, born Prussia

Enlisted: December 29, 1864 as a Private from Manitowoc Rapids, WI; 40 year-old Farmer, 5'5", blue eyes, brown hair

Mustered Out: October 9, 1865 at Mobile, AL

1880 Federal Census: WI, Manitowoc County, Manitowoc Rapids Twp:

Peter Kelzer, 55, Married, Farmer, b Prussia

Caroline Kelzer, 42, Wife, Keeping house, b Prussia

Chd: Joseph-18, Mary-13, Rose-6, all born Wisconsin

1885 Soldiers & Sailors of the Late War, Residing in Wisconsin, 1885: P. Koelzer, Pvt, I 14 WI, P.O. Alverno

1890 Veterans Schedule, Manitowoc County: Peter Kelcer, Pvt 14 I, post office Manitowoc; Totally blind

1895 June 20 Veterans Census of Manitowoc County: Kelzer, Peter, Pvt I 14 Infantry, post office Manitowoc

Died: May 7, 1898

Buried: St. Joseph Alverno Cemetery, Manitowoc Rapids, WI

Gravesite: 7-11: "J. P. Koelzer/Co. I/14th Wis. Inf."

Der Nord Westen, 12 May 1898: "Death Sat. in Manitowoc Rapids of 73-yr. old PETER KÖLZER after a long painful illness. The funeral took place Tues. at the cemetery at Silver Lake. The deceased was an old settler of that town where he had lived continuously for the past 43 years. During the war he served in the 14th Regiment. He leaves 3 children. For the last many years he was completely blind."

