

Hans Madson
18th WI Infantry, Company E

Born: October 3, 1829 at Gjerpen, Telemark, Norway

Emigrated: August 9, 1847 to Boston

Married: August 6, 1863 to Maria Rasmusdatter Lekaas

Enlisted: September 30, 1864 as a Private, from Cato, WI, 34 year-old Farmer, 5'9", blue eyes, light hair.
Mustered Out: June 2, 1865

1870 Federal Census: WI, Manitowoc County, Cato Twp:

Hans Madson, 54, Farmer, RE 1800, PE 267, b Norway

Maria Madson, 45, House keeper, b Norway

Chd: Martin-14, Corneleous-12, born Wisconsin

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

Hans Madison, 50, Married, Farmer, b Norway

Maria Madison, 55, Wife, Keeping house, b Norway

Chd: Martin-24, Cornelius-22, both born Wisconsin

1890 Veterans Schedule, Manitowoc County:

Hans Madson, Pvt 18 E, post office Clarks Mills

Wisconsin Census Enumeration, 1905 June 1, Ex-Soldiers & Sailors Residing in WI:

Madsen, Hans, Pvt, Co E, 18th WI Inf, Post office Cato

Died: January 19, 1907

Buried: Gjerpen Lutheran Cemetery, Cato Township, WI

Gravesite: Lot 26; North section: "Hans Madson/Co. E/18 Wis. Inf."

Der Nord Westen, 24 Jan. 1907: "Death in Town Cato on Saturday of Hans Madson, one of the oldest settlers in our county. Mr. Madson was born 30 Oct. 1829 in Norway and came to America in 1847. In 1849 he settled in Cato where he has remained. During the war he served with the 15th Wisconsin Infantry Regiment. The funeral was held Tuesday."



Vesterheim Norwegian-American Museum website: MADSON, Hans: WI 18th Inf Co G. Residence: Clark's Mills, Manitowoc County, Wisconsin. Born 3 Oct 1829 at Gjerpen, Telemark, Norway, son of Mads Christiansen Bøe and Kari Gundersdatter Sperrebakken. He came to America with his widowed mother and two brothers on the "Jupiter", which sailed into Boston on 9 Aug 1847. They came to Cato Township, Manitowoc County, Wisconsin. Hans was married on 6 Aug 1853 to Maria Rasmusdatter Lekaas. Two children. Civil War: Farmer. Age 35. Blue eyes, light hair, light complexion, 5'9". Drafted. Enrolled for one year on 30 Sep 1864 at Cato, Wisconsin. Mustered there the same day. Enrollment credited to Cato, Manitowoc County. Private. Post war: Buried at Gjerpen cemetery, Valders, Wisconsin; stone reads "3 Oct 1829 - 19 Jan 1907". Sources: (WHS Series 1200 box 92-11; red book vol 23) (Wisconsin Cemetery Records) (Hedberg) (Naeseth '47-177) "Boe, Hans" [Vesterheim, Decorah, Iowa, has a photo of Hans Mattson.] [Red book lists him as being in Co E.]"