

Salve Osolfson
15th WI Infantry, Company F

Born: 1831 in Grimstad, Norway

Enlisted: October 5, 1861 as a Private from Manitowoc County, WI, 29 years old

Wounded: December 31, 1862 at Stones River, TN in hospital at Nashville, TN

Mustered Out: January 13, 1865 at Chattanooga, TN

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

Samuel Oselson, 36, Farmer, RE 1500, PE 229, b Norway

Ann Oselson, 25, House Keeper, b Norway

Chd: Salve-8, Osell-5, Torbue-3, Bertinea-2, all b Norway

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

Salve Osufson, 40, Farmer, b Norway

Anna Osufson, 38, Keeping house, b Norway

Chd: Osuld-14, Sarljain-13, Torine-11, Theodore-10, Gunil-7, Ole-6,

Anna-4, Christina-3, Alwina-1, all born Wisconsin

1885 Soldiers & Sailors of the Late War, Residing in Wisconsin, 1885: Samuel Osofson, Pvt, F 15 WI, P.O. Manitowoc

1890 Veterans Schedule, Manitowoc County: Soley Osofson, Pvt 15 F, post office Manitowoc; Hurt by a fall in the breast

Wisconsin Histories - microfilm #18, Patron's Directory 1893, Two Rivers Library:

OSAFSON: Salve Riverview Farm. Born in Norway 1831. Wife born in Norway 1837. Married in 1860. Enlisted and served in the Army 3 years and 4 months. Ten children.

Post Office, Branch; Section 17, Manitowoc Rapids Township.

Der Nord Westen, January 18, 1900: "Salvo Osofson here had his pension raised from \$6 to \$8 a month."

Died: ?2 May, 1905

Buried: Gjerpen Lutheran Cemetery, Cato Township, WI

Gravesite: Row 17; #3: "Salve Osueson/Co. F/15 Wis. Inf."



Der Nord Westen, 11 May 1905: "Death of 75-year old Samuel Olufsen, a veteran of the Civil War and a member of the local G.A.R. Post, died Tues. last week at his home in Town Manitowoc Rapids."

Vesterheim Norwegian-American Museum website: OSOLSSON, Salve: WI 15th Inf Co F. Residence: Manitowoc County, Wisconsin. Born in Grimstad, Norway. Civil War: Age 28. Married. Enlisted for three years on 5 Oct 1861 at Manitowoc and mustered at Madison, Wisconsin, 12 Dec 1861. Private. Sick in Bowling Green, Kentucky, 17 Sep 1862. Wounded at Stone's River, Tennessee, and was in hospital in Nashville, Tennessee 4 Jan 1863. Was at Camp Dennison, Ohio. Sick in Division hospital, 21 Jul 1864. Mustered out with Company 13 Jan 1865 at Chattanooga, Tennessee. Post war: He lived at Manitowoc Rapids, Wisconsin. Sources: (WHS Series 1200 box 76-8; red book vol 20 p90) (Buslett p516) (Ager p308) (Hedberg) (Ulvestad p320) (Meeker) "Osulsen, Salve" "Osolfesen, Salve" "Olafson, Salve"

"History of Manitowoc County Wisconsin" by Dr. L. Falge, 1911-1912, v.2, p.285-286, part of bio of Osul Osulson: "... Salve Osulson was born in Norway, and came to the United States during the early '60s settling on wild land in the town of Rapids, on which he built a log shanty and was for some years engaged in clearing the timber. He then removed to another property, and continued to engage in agricultural pursuits until his death in 1905. In 1863 he was married to Annie Alfson, who came from Norway to America with her parents, and nine children were born to this union: Osul, Thomas, Theodore, Ole, Matilda, Julia, Minnie, Alvina and Emma, of whom Ole and Matilda are deceased. Salve Osulson enlisted in 1863 in the Fifteenth Wisconsin Volunteers, and served until the close of the Civil war, and while in the service his health was so impaired that he has never regained his full vigor throughout the remainder of his life."