

**Alonzo C Pierce**  
**27th WI Infantry, Company D**

Born: 1830 in New York

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

Alonzo C. Peirce, 30, Lumberman, RE 600, PE 150, b New York  
Adline Peirce, 20, b Prussia  
Pliny Pierce, 52, Lumberman, RE 10,000, PE 800, b New York  
Susanna Pierce, 52, b Vermont  
Dewit B. Beirce(sic), 24, b New York  
Monroe Beirce(sic), 20, Mary-15, Mandy-10, all b Wisconsin

Enlisted: August 21, 1862 as a Private, from Manitowoc Rapids, WI.

Intra Regimental Company Transfer: February 21, 1863 from Company D to Company I

Wounded: April 5, 1865 at Spanish Fort, AL

Promotion: Sergeant

Mustered Out: August 29, 1865

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

A.C. Perice, 40, Farmer, RE 1000, b York State  
Lena Perice, 29, House Keeper, b Prussia  
Chd: Meney-10, Clari-8, Susan-5, Mary-3, Fred-1, all b Wisconsin

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

Lonzo Pierce, 42, Farmer, b N.Y.  
Lena Pierce, 39, Wife, Keeping house, b Prussia  
Chd: Minne-18, Clara-16, Susan-14, Frederick-10, all b Wisconsin

1885 Soldiers & Sailors of the Late War, Residing in Wisconsin, 1885: A. Pierce, Pvt, D 27 WI, Post Office Manitowoc Rapids

1890 Veterans Schedule, Manitowoc County: A. C. Pierce, Pvt 2 D, post office Manitowoc; Chronic diarrhea

1895 June 20 Veterans Census of Manitowoc County:

A. C. Pierce, Sgt I 27 Infantry, post office Manitowoc, WI

Der Nord Westen, February 28, 1901: "Alonzo C Pierce of Manitowoc Rapids has been awarded a veteran's pension of \$8 a month."

Died: January 1, 1904/

buried January 3, 1904/  
cause: pneumonia

Buried: Evergreen Cemetery,  
Manitowoc, WI

Gravesite: W2-220-2:

"Pierce: Father/Sgt. A.G.  
Pierce/Co. D (bal. too  
deep)"



Der Nord Westen, 07 Jan. 1904:

"Death in Town Manitowoc Rapids on Sun. morning of Alonzo C. Pierce, one of the first white residents of our county, coming here with his parents in 1837, a time when there were only a dozen white families here and the red men roamed the wilderness freely. He was born 03 June 1830 in the state of New York. In his youth he floated timber for a living and even made several trips to New Orleans. In 1854 he made a trip around Cape Horn to San Francisco to seek his fortune in the newly discovered gold fields, but 3 yrs. later came back to the old farmstead in Manitowoc. During the war he served with the 27th Wisconsin Infantry Regiment. At the war's end he reestablished his residency in Manitowoc Rapids. His death on Sun. was a result of a serious case of pneumonia. In addition to his widow, he is survived by several sons and a daughter, as well as two brothers (including Chief of Police P.



Jerome Pierce of Manitowoc), and 2 sisters. The funeral was held Tues. in the local cemetery under the direction of the H.M. Walker Post of the G.A.R., of which the deceased was a member."

History of Manitowoc County Wisconsin by Dr. L. Falge, 1911-1912, v.2, p.26-27

(part of son A. F. Pierce bio): "Alonzo C. Pierce, was born in the state of New York in 1830, and came to this state with his father, Pliney Pierce, who was born in 1808, in New York. Pliney Pierce, who was a carpenter by trade, came to Manitowoc county in 1837, settling in the village of Rapids, where he erected the first tavern, this being the only house of its kind between Sheboygan and Green Bay for a number of years. He later moved up the river and built a woolen mill on one side of the river and a sawmill on the other, and was engaged in operating these until his death. As a youth Alonzo C. Pierce worked in his father's mills, and in 1852 went west to seek his fortune in the gold fields of California, where he remained two years. On his return he was again employed by his father until he had accumulated enough money to invest in farming land. He was married to Lena Schaffland, a native of Germany who came to the United States with her parents, and they had five children."

Pierce Alonzo C	
Sgt Co D 27 Wis Inf	
(NAME AND SERVICE)	
WAR	DIED July 3 - 1904
CEMETERY	Evangelical
AT	Manitowoc Wis
GRAVE	NO.
(WHERE ORIGINALLY BURIED)	
REMARKS	
G. R.	FILED VERIFIED
RECORD OF BURIALS	

Headstones Provided for Deceased Union Civil War Veterans, 1879-1903