

**Phillip Pottgeiser**  
**37th WI Infantry, Company H**

Born: September 18, 1824 in Essen, Prussia

Enlisted: February 16, 1865 as a Private, from Milwaukee, WI.  
Mustered Out: July 27, 1865

Wife: Christina, 1827-1906

1868-69 Edward's Directory of Village of Manitowoc: Pottgieser Phillip, tailor,  
Charles Hoyer, r. 9th, nr. Methodist church

1870 Federal Census: WI, Manitowoc County,  
Manitowoc Ward 1:

Plutoph Poortazer(sic), 46, Tailor, b  
Prussia  
Christina Poortazer, 43, Tailoris(sic), b  
Prussia

1875-76 Manitowoc City Directory: Pottgi-  
eszer, Philip, tailor, 9th north of Hamilton

1880 Federal Census: WI, Manitowoc County,  
Manitowoc Ward 1:

Phila Pottgiesser, 56, Married, Taylor, b  
Prussia  
Christine Pottgiesser, 53, Wife, b Breman

1890 Veterans Schedule, Manitowoc County:  
Phillipp Pottgeiser, Pvt 37 H, post office  
Manitowoc

Died: September 14, 1890

Buried: Evergreen Cemetery, Manitowoc, WI  
Gravesite: W2-205-2: War Vet flag holder

Der Nord Westen, 18 September 1890: "Death  
on Sun. morning of the well-known and widely  
loved citizen of our city, Mr. Philipp Pott-  
gieser. Deceased was born 18 Sept. 1824 in  
Essen in the Ruhr and so was 66 yrs. Of age.  
He came to America in 1854 and settled in  
Milwaukee. He fought in the Union Army dur-  
ing the Civil War, serving in the 37th Wis-  
consin Infantry Regiment. His health was se-  
verely affected by his war service. He came  
to Manitowoc in 1867 and worked here as a  
tailor, but his ability to work grew weaker  
and weaker. It was only through the influ-  
ence of Dr. Schweichler that the veteran, now  
ill with asthma, was granted a pension just a  
few months ago. For his sorrowing widow and  
many friends, his death after long suffering  
can only be considered a release. On Tues.  
after noon he was laid to rest in the city  
cemetery."

