

**Hughen Riley**  
**32nd WI Infantry, Company G**

Born: 1817 in England

Emigrated to U.S. at age 25 landing in New York. Worked as a printer in Massachusetts and Rhode Island for a couple of years.

1850 Federal Census: WI, Manitowoc County, Manitowoc Rapids Twp/James Haworth:  
Hughin Riley, 23, Male, Farmer, b England

1860 Federal Census: WI, Manitowoc County, Kossuth Twp:  
Hughin Riley, 40, Male, Farmer, RE 1000, PE 200, b England  
Martha Riley, 36, Female, b England  
Chd: Ann Eliza-9, Mary Jane-6, James M-4, Sarah Alice-2, George F-9/10, all  
b Wisconsin

Enlisted: September 30, 1864 as a Private, from Kossuth, WI.  
Mustered Out: June 12, 1865 at Crystal Springs, MD

1870 Federal Census: WI, Manitowoc County, Kossuth Twp:  
Ewing Riley, 49, Farmer, RE 3000, PE 413, b England  
Martha Riley, 47, House keeper, b England  
Chd: Elize-18, Mary Jane-16, James-14, Sarah-12, George-9, Harriet-7, John  
-5, all b Wisconsin

1880 Federal Census: WI, Manitowoc County, Kossuth Twp:  
Hughin Riley, 61, Married, Farmer, b England  
Martha Riley, 58, Wife, Married, Keeping House, b England  
Chd: Sarra-22, Harriet-18, John S-15, all b

1890 Veterans Schedule, Manitowoc County: Hughen Riley, Pvt, 32 G, post office  
Kings Bridge; Suffering muscular rheumatism ever since (war).

Died: July 7, 1904 bur. July 9, 1904/cause: old age  
Buried: Evergreen Cemetery, Manitowoc, WI  
Gravesite: K-1-1: "Hughen Riley/Co. G/32 Wis. Inf."

Der Nord Westen, 14 July 1904:  
"Death in Menominee, Mich. on  
Thurs. last week of 85-yr. old  
Hugh Riley, a former resident of  
Kings Bridge in our county. He  
had settled in Kings Bridge in  
1847 and lived there until mov-  
ing to Menominee a year ago. The  
body was brought to Kings Bridge  
and buried there Sun. afternoon  
under the direction of the Local  
Post of the G.A.R., of which the  
deceased was a member. He leaves  
his wife and 7 children."

A History of the Northern Penin-  
sula of Michigan and Its People/  
part of son John H. Riley bio,  
page 678: "Hughen Riley was  
born in 1817, in England, where  
he was reared and educated.



Emigrating to this country at the age of twenty-five years, he came to New York city in a sailing vessel, and for several years afterwards worked at the printer's trade in Massachusetts and Rhode Island. Desirous of acquiring land of his own, he subsequently became one of the early settlers of Manitowoc County, Wisconsin, where he purchased a timbered tract of land, from which he cleared and improved a valuable homestead, living for a number of years in the log cabin which he first erected in the wilderness. Loyal to the country of his adoption, he enlisted during the Civil war in Company G, Thirty-second Wisconsin Volunteer Infantry, and with his regiment marched with General Sherman to the sea. He became prominent in public affairs, filling the various township offices, being first identified with the Whigs, and later was a staunch supporter of the principles of the Republican party. Religiously he was a member of the Church of England. He died at Menominee, Michigan, in 1903, at the age of eighty-six. His wife, whose maiden name was Martha Burges, was born in 1820 in England, and died in 1905, at Manitowoc. Seven children were born of their union, and all are now living, John H. being the youngest child."

