

JOHN Q. ADAMS

Died of pneumonia at his home in Amy, July 8, 1909, John Q. Adams, aged 71 years.

John Q. Adams, fourth son of the late William S. Adams was born Sept. 8 1838 on the farm now owned by William Arft three miles southeast of Rochester. His early days were spent at home on the farm.

When twenty-one years of age his services not being needed at home, he went to Illinois, where he worked as a farm-hand for two years. Then at the breaking out of the civil war he offered his services to his country, but failing to pass the physical examination, he came back home for a visit, and then set out for the Oregon country, then just coming into prominence. He crossed the Great Plains by wagon train, fording the Mississippi and other great rivers, crossing sands, waste lands and mountains, guarding against attacks by wild Indians; at one time, traveling eleven hundred miles without seeing a house, at last arriving in Oregon. He remained for several years in Oregon, Washington and Idaho. When he returned he came horseback from Oregon to the Missouri River where he took a boat.

His father being old, he and his brother, Frank, took charge of the old farm, where he remained until about twelve years ago, when owing to failing health he, with his two remaining sisters, removed to Amy, where he spent the remainder of his life. His health gradually failed, until about two weeks ago he was attacked by pneumonia, causing his death July 9. The funeral was held from the home last Sunday afternoon, Rev. Hosmer officiating, with interment in Rochester Cemetery.

Mr. Adams was highly respected by all who knew him. He leaves two sisters, Caroline and Ellen Adams of Amy, and one brother, Frank N. Adams of Rochester and a wide circle of relatives and friends to mourn his loss.

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