

Mary Ann Gumm Picard

Wauwatosa, Wisconsin

Mary's Great Grandfather is

John Peter Gumm

Co. D, 3rd Wisconsin Infantry



John Peter Gumm was born on September 14, 1842 in Laubach, Germany. In 1857 he immigrated to the United States with his parents where they settled in Cedar Creek, Wisconsin. Gumm became a blacksmith and married Lena Raidt to whom six children were born.

He enlisted for service in the Civil War on December 28, 1864 in Co. D of the 3rd Wisconsin Volunteer Infantry at Polk, Wisconsin. His service during the war included engagements at Robertsville, South Carolina and Averasboro and Bentonville, North Carolina. Gumm mustered out of service on July 18, 1865 at the conclusion of the war.

Returning to Wisconsin, he eventually opened a lumber company in Jackson, Wisconsin. Gumm was an outstanding business man and esteemed member of the community. He served as the Justice of the Peace for 25 years, the County Treasurer as well as a member of the school board and its treasurer. After 45 years in the lumber business, Gumm sold out and entered retirement.

Gumm suffered a stroke and its effects which included paralysis eventually leading to his death on October 21, 1914. He was buried in the Union Cemetery after a funeral service where the community children and veteran soldiers marched with flags in his honor and the A.J. Fullerton, GAR Post of which he was a member conducted a graveside service.