

Myron W. Reed Post No. 108, G.A.R.

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While this town is justly proud of its many social clubs, societies and fraternities, possibly without exception the one in which we take the most pride is Myron W. Reed Post No. 108, Grand Army of the Republic. The men who make up its membership represent the living heroes of the United States. In this town, like many other western communities, among these same men are to be found those who when they laid down the sword took up the axe and shovel and fought over again in a bloodless battle the uncivilized forces of nature, making it possible for those who came after to enjoy the full privileges of an eastern civilization, combined with opportunities only to be found in the west. They are gradually passing away, and before long the men who made a part of the most interesting history of the world will be but a memory.

This order was organized in Rifle on June 5, 1899, by Comrade L.D. Helm, with 16 charter members, and named the Myron W. Reed Post No. 108, Rifle, Colorado, Department of Colorado and Wyoming.

E. Marker is the present commander of the Post and G.W. Marling adjutant.

In the following roster of the members in the war of 1861-65, those names preceded with an asterisk (*) have answered the final roll-call, also the first 16 members appearing were charter members, the next seven were mustered at the same time, the remainder being mustered later.

Name	Company	Regiment	Division
*Leamon D. Helm	F	29 th Iowa	Infantry
*G.W. Kirkpatrick	D	33 rd Iowa	Infantry
*Daniel Sleeper	G	10 th Iowa	Infantry
*Wm. V. Giles	F	9 th Michigan	Infantry
*Thos. E. Blanchard	K	12 th Iowa	Infantry
Wm. S. Campbell	F	104 th Ohio	Infantry
Wm. S. Wurts	G	2 nd Ohio	Cavalry
Mitchell Yoakam	K	22 nd Iowa	Infantry
John Cook	D	15 th Iowa	Infantry
*John M. Hamilton	B	15 th Iowa	Infantry
*Ben K. Watson	I	2 nd Iowa	Cavalry
*Chas. H. Johnson	B	146 th Illinois	Infantry
*Martin Billter	F	15 th Iowa	Infantry
*David F. Hoffman			
Martin H. Streit	A	22 nd Iowa	Infantry
Eugene Marker	Bat. B.	5 th U.S.	Artillery
Joseph M. Dyer	A	45 th Illinois	Infantry
*Jonathan Goodrich	G	1 st Minnesota	Infantry
J.H. Gately		4 th Iowa Battery	

J.M. Watson	H	21 st Iowa	Infantry
Geo. W. Wightman	H	7 th Wisconsin	Infantry
W. Wilkinson [sic]	A	2 nd Illinois	Infantry
*John Wilkinson	A	2 nd Illinois	Infantry
Eno Yeoman	K	48 th Indiana	
*D.J. Hoffman	I	20 th Michigan	Infantry
*W.T. Clayton	A	23 rd Iowa	Infantry
Melanghon Williams	D	3 rd Colorado	Cavalry
J.L. Albright	I	2 nd Kansas	Cavalry
H.C. Russey	H	12 th Indiana	
J.M. Helm	E	31 st Ohio	Infantry
*J.H. Evans Hunter			
Robert Doak	K	28 th Iowa	Infantry
*Lyman W. Austin	F	1 st Iowa	Cavalry
Albert Osmer	E	11 th Michigan	Infantry
G.W. Marling	H	33 rd Iowa	Infantry
S.G. Markle	M	2 nd Michigan	Cavalry
*Samuel Davis			
J.L. Vandervoll	D	44 th Missouri	
*Joseph Lutkeritz	F	77 th Illinois	
*Isaac Card	F	3 rd Wisconsin	Infantry
E. Shuster	G	82 nd Ohio	Infantry
Frank Rule	B	94 th New York	
J.L. Cochran	I	40 th Iowa	
*David Isons			
Henry Blevins	H	44 th Missouri	Infantry
E. Perham	A	14 th New Hampshire	Infantry
Jos. Dubois	A	40 th Ohio	
*Theodore Hurlburt	K	150 th Ohio	Infantry
*J.E. Warner	A	126 th New York	Infantry
*S.J. Burks	F	6 th Missouri	Cavalry
Carpenter Bull			
*Nelson Ward	K	113 th Illinois	Infantry
*W.C. Jones	H	23 rd Iowa	Infantry
*Mr. Neave			
*Baker Graham	E	2 nd Minnesota	Cavalry
*J.B. Fuller	F	14 th Indiana	
*R.R. Hutchings	C	6 th Missouri	Cavalry
*F. Chamberlin	I	9 th Michigan	Infantry
*John Kirsher	G	47 th Iowa	Infantry
*H.C. Ketchum	K	9 th Illinois	Cavalry
Curtis S. Garrison	C	14 th Ohio	Infantry
*Charles Allison	D	18 th Iowa	Infantry
*James Dixon	A	18 th Iowa	Infantry
James Kissinger			

*R.H. Christy			
*J.L. Wilson	B	26 th Iowa	Infantry
*Jeremiah McDaniel	F	3 rd Wisconsin	Infantry
*Mr. Higgins			
*G. Brosius			
*Mack Russey		Regular Army.	

There are 27 Union veterans and one Confederate, W.C. Norman, buried in Rose Hill cemetery in this town.

Following is the list of members present for duty at this writing: Eugene Marker, G.W. Marling, J.C. Cook, William Wurts, S.G. Markle, George W. Wightman, J. L. Cochran, Frank Rule, Henry Blevins, E. Schuster, E. Perham, Joseph Helm, Joseph Dubois, Joe Gately.

We also have with us one soldier, John Elrod, who served in the Confederate army.

The following have served as commander of the Post in the order given: Joseph Helm, Eugene Marker, Isaac Card, G.W. Marling, E. Schuster, Eugene Marker.

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