

November 28, 1916

✓ CHAS. W. SNELL, SR.
11-28-1916

Laid at Rest in Groton Union Cemetery Friday Afternoon.

The funeral of Charles W. Snell, Sr., occurred from the home of his son, Chas. Snell, Jr., Friday afternoon, Nov. 19, 1916, at Battle Mountain sanitarium, Hot Springs, S. D., aged seventy-four years, one month and ten days. The funeral was held at the Groton Union church, reading the service. A large number of floral offerings made of the casket a thing of beauty and their sweetness served to ameliorate the feeling of sadness which had been engendered by the visit of the death angel.

The G. A. R. boys, called upon to twice within two days to say final farewells to deceased comrades, were present to honor their departed brother. Following the service a large number of sorrowing friends followed the remains to Groton Union cemetery.

Charles W. Snell was born at Guilford, Ind., Oct. 17, 1842. He died Nov. 19, 1916, at Battle Mountain sanitarium, Hot Springs, S. D., aged seventy-four years, one month and ten days.

He was united in marriage at Guilford, April 22, 1866, to Amelia Jane Round. She preceded him to the grave by a little over ten years.

Eleven children were born to Mr. and Mrs. Snell, seven of whom survive him. They are Mrs. W. T. Brown and Mrs. J. I. Roop, of Bismarck, N. D.; Mrs. R. M. Jones, of Onida, S. D.; J. H. and F. M. Snell of Hoven, S. D.; C. W. Snell, Jr., of Groton, and Mrs. C. W. Parker, of Galesburg, Ill. All were present for the funeral except Mrs. Parker.

In eighteen sixty-three Mr. Snell enlisted in Co. E, Seventy-eighth Indiana volunteers for service in the Civil war. He remained in the service until the close of the war.

After his marriage Mr. Snell moved with his family to Mansfield, Ill., living there until the fall of 1884 when he moved to Doland, S. D., taking up a homestead. In 1889 the family came to Groton, where he resided until his death.

He was a member of the Protestant Episcopal church.