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Samuel Reed Dies Sunday Veteran of Civil War Expires At Residence Here At Age of 81 Years

Samuel Reed, 81, a veteran of the Civil war, died at his home, 345 North Tenth street, at 11:35 o'clock Sunday morning. Death was due to senility. Mr. Reed was a son of John and Catherine Spangler Reed. He was born in Cleveland, Ohio, November 5, 1844. He enlisted in Company G, 67th regiment, At Cleveland, Ohio, August 30, 1862, and served his country with honor during the remainder of the war.

Mr. Reed followed the occupation of painting for many years. In 1885, he moved from Cleveland to Poe, Allen County, where he resided until 1900, when he moved to Decatur. The deceased was married to Sidney Summers, who preceded him in death. He was a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church. Surviving, are one sister, Charlotte Surgeant, of Fort Wayne; two half-brothers, John Reed, of Decatur, and U.S. Reed, of Portland, Oregon; and two half-sisters, Polly Reed, of Decatur, and Tillie Showers, of Chicago. One brother, Frank Reed, one half-sister, Ella Small, preceded him in death. Funeral services will be held from the First Methodist church at 1:30 o'clock Tuesday afternoon, with the Rev. Somerville Light, pastor of the Methodist church, assisted by the Rev. R. N. Covert, pastor of the First Presbyterian church, officiating. Burial will be made in the Reynolds cemetery in Root Township.