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United Spanish War Veterans

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The Spanish-American War lasted less than a year from 21 April 1898 to 11 April 1899 although actual hostilities ceased on 13 August 1898¹². Fifty-seven thousand three hundred twenty nine (57,329) regular troops participated - 223,235 militia and volunteer troops and 31,959 Navy personnel (this number includes officers in the US Marine Corps but not officers in the US Navy proper) for a total of 312,523. Soon after the men returned home they began to form veterans' organizations. Originally there were several organizations. In 1904 three of the most prominent merged into a single organization known as the United Spanish War Veterans (USWV).

The National Headquarters was moved each year to the home of the Commander-in-Chief. After 1923 a permanent office was established in Washington, DC where it remained opened until 1998. The holdings of the USWV are now located at the Military History Institute at Carlisle Barracks, Pennsylvania.

There were five objectives of the United Spanish War Veterans:

- to unite in fraternal bonds through a national organization with state and local subdivisions those men who served in the military or naval establishments of the United States of America during the War with Spain and campaigns incidental and growing out of that War;
- to honor the memory and preserve from neglect and oblivion the graves of their dead;
- to assist former comrades and shipmates, their widows and orphans such as help, encouragement and protection; to perpetuate the memories of the War with Spain, the campaigns in the Philippines and in China, and to collect and preserve the records of the service of the members;
- to inculcate the principles of universal liberty equal rights and justice to all mankind, of loyalty to our country, reverence for its institutions, obedience to its laws and respect for its magistrates;
- to encourage honor and purity in public affairs and to discountenance whatever tends to weaken these sentiments among our people.

IGS has copies of the death records (called a TAPS form) that were maintained by the USWV. Not all of these records are from Iowa camps but all have the word Iowa on them somewhere. A copy of the form was sent to the department adjutant, a copy to the department historian and a copy to the Graves Registration Office where one existed. A copy was also sent to the National Headquarters if the deceased was a Past Commander in Chief, a Past Department Commander, a Department Officer, a Camp Officer, or a Comrade of Unit Camp.

The TAPS form included the name of camp, camp number, department of (state), file date, name and highest rank in USWV, US Service (highest rank), Co, ship/regt, married or single, number and age of children, place of birth, place of death, date of death, buried in <blank> cemetery at <blank> with military honors, grave in charge of and camp number.

The following is a partial index of the death records we have at the IGS library. All information is transcribed as written on the form. To obtain a copy of the one record (1 sheet, two sides) send a request to IGS. The cost is \$5.00 for members or \$7.50 for non-members plus \$1.00 for postage and handling.

Iowa Genealogical Society
Spanish American War Records
628 East Grand Avenue
Des Moines IA 50309-1924



¹² See page 23 for information about the Spanish American War.

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Veteran's Name	Date of Birth	Place of Birth	Date of Death	Place of Death
Abil, Walter L	Jun 29, 1882	Clinton, Iowa	10/26/1964	Allen Memorial Hospital
Ackerman, Burton Charles			12/10/1937	Clinton, Iowa
Ackley, Layton R		Philadelphia, PA	7/23/1939	Soldier's Home-Marshalltown
Acree, E F	Jan 12, 1877	Tama, Iowa	11/16/1971	Martinez Hospital
Adam, Alfred G			5/28/1946	Sioux City, Ia
Adams, Edwin E	1879		10/22/1968	Des Moines, Iowa
Adams, Frank M.	Dec 13, 1882	New Hampshire	6/25/1942	Des Moines, Iowa
Adams, Harry	Oct 3, 1879	Sigourney	8/20/1955	at Home
Adams, Harry I	Jan 20, 1870	Iowa	11/14/1954	Lenox, Ia
Adams, Hiram A	age 18 at enlist		4/3/1954	Riverside, Calif
Adams, Joseph E	Nov 29, 1879	Tilton, New Hampshire	5/16/1958	V.A. Hospital Des Moines
Adams, Loa A		Carroll Co, Ia	2/3/1937	I.S.H. Hospital
Adams, Samuel N	age 21 at enlistment		7/28/1953	Minnesota
Adamson, J Robert	Apr 1, 1879	Stuart, Ia	5/13/1954	V.A. Hosp Iowa City, IA
Agan, John N	age 33 time of enlist	Indiana	5/17/1951	Natl Mil Home Sawtell Calif
Agard, Alvin A	Aug 19, 1873	Dubuque	4/25/1951	Dubuque, Iowa
Agard, Charles H		Dubuque, IA	10/16/1935	Dubuque, Iowa
Agard, Charles Hewit	Aug 10, 1870	Dubuque, IA	10/2/1935	Dubuque, Iowa
Ainsworth, L W	1877	Pittsburgh, Pa	12/12/1949	Spirit Lake, Iowa
Akey, Peter A	age 21 at enlistment	Iowa	1/5/1945	Los Angeles, Cal
Albaugh, James E	Nov 21, 1878	Leon, Iowa	10/9/1961	V. A. Hospital Des M
Albright, F H		Greenville, NJ	2/13/1949	Burlington
Aldrich, Fred	May 28, 1874	Knoxville, Ia	3/18/1957	Davenport, Ia
Aldrich, William Clarence	Sep 7, 1877	New Troy, Michigan	1/13/1960	V.A. H. Des Moines, Iowa
Alexander, Harry B		Valley Junction, Wis	3/15/1940	Vets. Hosp. Des Moines, Iowa
Alford, James E	1876	Carthag, Ill	1/5/1954	V. A. Hosp Des Moines
Alford, John		Brooklyn, NY	10/2/1936	Sioux City
Alger, Gould M	1876	Fort Dodge, Iowa	8/14/1958	Fort Dodge, Iowa

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Alger, Lou H	May 15, 1879	W Dodge, Ia	5/22/1951	Veterans Hospital, Des Moines
Allen, Albert E	Feb 15, 1862	Fayetteville, NY	7/17/1952	Burlington, Iowa
Allen, Ed		Croatin Iowa	4/28/1939	Ft. Madison, Iowa
Allen, Elmo K	Feb 24, 1881	Smith Co, Kansas	4/29/1964	Vinton, Iowa
Allen, Frank	age 19 at enlist	Iowa	4/6/1946	
Allen, Joseph H	Nov 12, 1870	Marshall, Iowa	6/14/1949	Detroit Lakes, Minn
Allen, Luther	Jun 15, 1876	Manchester, Ky	7/29/1950	Veterans Hospital Des Moines
Allen, Melvin G	age 24 at enlist		1/27/1958	hotel fire 206 1/2 Walnut Street, Des Moines, Ia
Alleway, Simon B		Kernard(?), Nebr	8/6/1939	Chicago, Ill
Allyn, William F	age 32 at enlistment	Ohio	12/5/1946	Ventura, Calif
Alton, Chas H	Mar 28, 1878	Sabula, Ia	3/28/1953	Sabula, Ia
Amend, George Herman	Jan 30, 1874	Buffalo, New York	9/30/1958	San Diego, California
Ames, John	Jan 22, 1870	Waterloo, Ia	4/2/1969	Americana Nursing Home
Anderson, A R		Missouri	10/10/1945	Burlington, Iowa
Anderson, Chas A		Independence, Ia	3/12/1938	
Anderson, Emil	Sep 30, 1872	Summerville, Tenn	4/29/1953	at home Des Moines, Ia
Anderson, Herman Wm	Apr 6, 1881	HannasHamen Hog, Sweeden	10/1/1953	Mason City, Iowa
Anderson, John Andrew	Aug 3, 1876	Nashville, Tenn	9/18/1956	Keokuk, Iowa
Anderson, John I	Nov 11, 1877	Shenandoah, Iowa	4/11/1955	East St Louis, Ill
Anderson, Thomas	1877	State Center, Iowa	3/8/1951	Kelvington, Canada
Anderson, William S	age 26 at enlistment	Iowa	12/26/1956	Nursing Home Ventura Calif
Andrea, Wm A		Iowa	9/18/1952	State Home, Iowa
Andresen, Henry C	age 28 at enlistment	Iowa	5/13/1953	Molsberry Santa Rosa
Andresen, William P	Jun 27, 1876	Elkport, Iowa	7/11/1955	Dubuque, Iowa
Anfinson, Jacob	Sep 19, 1866	Ossian, Iowa	3/11/1951	Marshalltown Home
Angel, William Presley		Mt. Pleasant, Iowa	11/7/1943	Burlington, Iowa

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Angelo, William W	1873	Iowa	11/28/1951	Soldier's Home-Marshalltown
Ankeny, Rollins V	age 26 at enlistment	Iowa	8/3/1956	Vets Hosp Ft Pierce Fla
Ankrom, William J	Apr 25, 1875	Oply, Utah	3/21/1960	Soldier's Home-Marshalltown
Annis, Leroy L	May 14, 1880	Manville, Wis	11/3/1957	Davenport, Ia
Anshutz, Ernest H	Mar 25, 1877	Keokuk, Iowa	10/5/1963	Vets Hospital, Knoxville, Iowa
Anthony, A A		Indiana		Broken Bow, Neb
Appelman, Roger	age 21 at enlistment	Iowa	7/27/1956	V. A. Oakland, Calif
Applegate, Roy Russell	Jan 10, 1875	Palmer, Neb	11/29/1953	Burlington, Iowa
Arbuckle, Emund R	age 24 at enlist	Missouri	12/21/1943	Natl Home Los Angeles
Arends, George	1872	Germany	10/12/1950	Sioux Falls SD
Armstrong, George C	Feb 19, 1874	Schoolcrest, Mich	2/7/1951	Redfield, Ia
Armstrong, Harry C	Feb 24, 1875	Greene, Ia	4/15/1957	Britt, Iowa
Armstrong, Otto	Jan 4, 1880	Atlantic, Mo	6/23/1960	Ft. Lauderdale, Fla
Arney, Harry L	age 22 at enlist	Iowa	7/20/1956	V A Center, Dayton, OH
Arns, Edward George	Apr 3, 1876	Bremer County, Iowa	4/18/1963	Waterloo, Iowa
Arthur, William H	Aug 29, 1876	La Salle, Ill	12/28/1954	V. A. Des Moines, Ia
Artus, Adolf	age 21 at enlistment	Iowa	5/22/1938	Benicia, Cal
Artus, Andrew John	Nov 18, 1878	Dubuque, IA	9/10/1956	Veterans Hospital Des Moines
Ashby, Henry E	Dec 22, 1880	Iowa	12/5/1961	Nursing Home, Manchester, Ia
Ashby, William Clark	Apr 4, 1877	Centerville, Iowa	5/18/1965	Cedar Rapids, Ia
Ashmore, Earl M	Oct 8, 1879	Grand Junction, Iowa	3/30/1958	San Diego, California
Ashton, Harry	Feb 15, 1873	Chicago, Ill	3/28/1957	V. A. Hospital Iowa City
Atkins, Allen W	Sep 18, 1881	Massachusetts	1/20/1949	Clyrinda
Augustine, Frank X	Feb 2, 1873	Dyersville, Ia	10/9/1948	Veterans Hospital Des Moines
Aulich, Ernest T	Nov 9, 1877	Ellisville, Wis	4/27/1953	V. A. Hosp Des Moines
Averill, Horace A	Jul 19, 1877	Mora, Minn	1/21/1960	Des Moines, Iowa
Axelson, C. E.			9/18/1946	Harcourt, Ia

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Axline, Samuel E	Dec 30, 1881	Fairfield, Ia	2/1/1954	V. A. Hosp Des Moines
Ayers, Ranson M	19 at enlistment	Iowa	10/10/1945	Los Angeles, Cal
Bacon, Frank	age 24 at enlist	Michigan	6/15/1948	Idaho
Bacon, Harvey S	Aug 30, 1867	Pennsylvania	7/20/1912	Sharpsburg, Iowa
Bagley, Charles B		St. Clair, Penn	5/26/1942	Hines Hospital, Hines, Ill
Bagnall, Chas C	age 19 at enlist	Iowa	9/2/1957	V. A. Long Beach, Cal
Bahner, Fred T	Jul 20, 1873	Logansport, Ind	5/25/1958	Marshalltown, Iowa
Bailey, Harold	Dec 18, 1874	England	3/9/1974	Charles City, Ia
Bailey, Loy H		Council Bluffs, Iowa	10/27/1950	Council Bluffs, Iowa
Bailey, W. R (believed to be Wilbur)		Webster City, Iowa	5/15/1945	US Vets Hospital, Des Moines
Bair, Robert E	Oct 9, 1876	Clinton Co, Iowa	9/14/1952	Cedar Rapids, Ia
Baker, Berney P	age 28 at enlistment	Iowa	4/25/1941	
Baker, Charles E	Dec 20, 1873	Colfax, Iowa	9/28/1965	Iowa Soldiers Home
Baker, Guy E	Apr 11, 1876	Muscatine, Iowa	2/22/1956	Muscatine, Iowa
Baker, Harry L	Mar 16, 1876	Villisca, Ia	12/16/1948	Red Oak, Ia
Baker, Jno. E	Oct 28, 1882	Dorchester, neb	11/28/1954	Vets. Hosp. Des Moines, Iowa
Baker, Fred L	age 25 at enlist	Iowa	11/16/1949	Redwood City, Ca
Baker, S. Collie (Samuel Coldwell)	May 4, 1874	Villisca, Ia	6/13/1964	Shenandoah, Ia
Baldwin, Bert		Union Co, Iowa	9/3/1956	Vets. Hosp. Des Moines, Iowa
Baldwin, James J	Jun 18, 1880	Illinois	5/30/1956	Ayshire
Ballangh, Mernie S	Sep 7, 1874	Macon, Mo	3/28/1958	Veterans Hosp, Minneapolis, Mn
Ballantyne, James	Mar 5, 1871	Otho, Iowa/records show born in Pennsylvania	12/11/1957	Ft. Dodge, Iowa
Ballinger, Jesse E	Feb 20, 1865	Postville, Ia	11/14/1949	State Soldiers Home M-town
Ballou, Harry W		Montrose, Ia	Aug, 1938	Ft. Madison, Iowa
Baltimore, Frank H	Apr 7, 1875	Iowa	1/22/1959	Corydon, Ia
Banta, Walter W	age 27 at enlist	res at enlist Farmer City, Il	5/27/1954	
Barber, Owen E	age 18 at enlist	Iowa	8/10/1949	Natl Military Home

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Barkalo, Derrick G	age 24 at enlist	Iowa	5/7/1944	Natl Mil Home, Sawtell, Cal
Barkley, Harry J	age 22 at enlist	Iowa	Jan-55	Los Angeles, Cal
Barnes, Bert Elmer	Sept 15, 1874	Topeka, Kansas	11/21/1964	V. A. Hospital, Des Moines, Iowa
Barnes, Guy K			Feb-69	Olatha, Kansas
Barnes, O. F. (Obe)	March 1879	Iowa	Nov-51	V. A. Hospital, Los Angeles, Cal
Barnes, R J			1/6/1950	Iowa Methodist Hospital, Des Moines
Barnes, William H	Nov 12, 1868	Richmond, Missouri	11/23/1955	Waterloo, Iowa
Barns, Thomas H			9/3/1948	Crawfordsville, Iowa
Barr, Alexander M	Apr 23, 1874	County Antrim, Ireland	3/5/1960	V. A. Hospital, Iowa City, Iowa
Barrett, Elige			11/21/1945	Burlington, Iowa
Barrette, Robert L	age 18 at enlist	Vermont	3/7/1956	Neosho, Mo
Barron, Mark S	Aug 15, 1879	Wakon	3/27/1953	Mason City
Barron, Stephen E	Aug 22, 1875	Waukon, Iowa	5/12/1961	Mason City, Iowa
Barth, Ben	1874	Humboldt, Iowa	4/13/1950	Humboldt, Iowa
Barth, Lewis	Mar 2, 1862	Iowa	5/6/1956	Hancock, Iowa
Bartoskey, Joe	1876	Iowa City	7/8/1948	Iowa City
Bass, George E	age 29 at enlist	Iowa		
Bass, S M		Boone Iowa	10/26/1945	Vet Hosp Des Moines Ia
Bass, Wilbur R	Sep 21, 1957 (not correct)	Lacey, Mahaska Co, Ia	5/25/1957	V. A. Des Moines, Ia
Bassett,			10/6/1952	Des Moines, Iowa
Bassett, Milton B		Whiteside Co, Ill	1/8/1942	Oskaloosa, Iowa
Bassett, Thomas	age 24 at enlist	New York	11/18/1945	
Bassett, Thomas J	age 21 at enlistment	Iowa	5/1/1942	
Bates, Curtis G	May 12, 1879	Iowa	Oct 4, 1898	in service Frisco
Bates, LeGrand C	age 21 at enlistment		5/4/1905	Sioux Falls
Bathke, Henry	Mar 7, 1880	Sumner, Iowa	1/30/1957	Sumner, Iowa
Bauck (Banck), L. H. (Louis H.)	Mar 13, 1874	Dubuque, IA	4/17/1949	Emmetsburg, Iowa
Bauer, George	May 5, 1866	Germany	10/21/1954	Finley Hospital, Dubuque
Baxter, Joseph	Feb 18, 1880	Missouri	1/2/1956	V. A. Hosp, Des Moines, Ia
Beadle, Ernest			4/26/1941	Des Moines, Iowa

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Beagley, W S		Aldershot, Eng	9/28/1941	Sioux City, Ia
Beale, Claude C	Jan 16, 1871	Van Buren Co, Iowa	2/25/1955	Mt. Pleasant, Henry Co, Iowa
Bealer, Edward			12/2/1962	Iowa City, Iowa
Beall, Claud H		Birmingham, Iowa	6/29/1943	Centerville, Iowa
Beatty, Alfred			3/23/1943	Marshalltown
Bebb, John E	Conesville, Iowa		10/24/1936	Conesville, Iowa
Beck, Charles N	Dec 18, 1876	St Louis, Mo	2/11/1949	Veterans Hospital, Des Moines
Beck, Benjamin J	Aug 3, 1876		2/6/1974	Marcus, Iowa
Beck, Millard	age 28 at enlistment	Illinois	8/28/1932	Great Lakes, Ill
Becker, Charles H	age 22 at enlist	Iowa	12/22/1951	
Becker, Henry		Germany	6/17/1937	Vet. Hos. Des Moines, Iowa
Beckman, Peter W	May 28, 1876	Muscatine, Iowa	10/10/1962	Perry Hospital
Beesley, Hedley	age 34 at enlist		2/9/1954	Los Angeles, Cal
Beeson, George W	age 21 at enlistment	Iowa	7/23/1957	Washington, DC
Beeson, Joe	age 26 at enlistment	Illinois	9/9/1941	Napa, Cal
Behm, Alfred H	Nov 7, 1878	Davenport, Iowa	9/28/1962	Davenport, Ia
Behrens, Ferdinand W	Feb 16, 1877	Boone, Ia	10/31/1962	Brighton, Colorado
Bell, Charles E		Eldridge, Iowa	11/3/1943	Davenport, Ia
Bell, Jesse W	age 22 at enlist	Iowa	1928	
Bell, Leeander P	age 23 at enlistment		3/4/1941	Natl Mil Home
Bell, Victor C	Oct 13, 1876	Wabash Co, IL	6/7/1955	V. A. Downey, IL
Bellamy, Paul	age 18 at enlistment	Iowa	1/4/1956	Laguna Beach, Calif
Bellman, Herman Michael	Feb 14, 1876	Mt. Clement, Mich	5/30/1952	Des Moines, Iowa
Bender, George	Jun 12, 1881	Avoco, Penn	12/15/1952	Des Moines, Iowa
Benedict, Henery		Muscatine Co, Iowa	4/2/1947	Muscatine, Iowa
Benesh, Vaclav (Wes)	May 27, 1874	Cedar Rapids, Iowa	10/19/1963	VA Hospital, Iowa City, Iowa
Benham, Levi R	Feb 14, 1882	Oelwein, Iowa	12/2/1947	V.A. Des Moines, Iowa
Bennett, E R	Oct 13, 1869	Des Moines	8/20/1950	U.S. Veterans Hospital Des M.
Bennett, Edward S	age 23 at enlist	Iowa	1/4/1941	Los Angeles
Bennett, Eli J	Feb 4, 1875	Monument, Colo	1/13/1957	Monroe, Iowa

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Bennett, Joseph	Jan 14, 1876	Floyd Co, Indiana	9/23/1961	Mt. Vernon, Iowa
Bennett, Thomas Jefferson	Oct 4, 1878	Fayetteville, Arkansas	11/7/1957	V.A. Iowa City
Benninger, Walter G			1/21/1958	Grand Island, Nebr
Bent, Charles L	87 years old		9/27/1956	Coral Gables, Florida
Bent, Leslie W			3/5/1952	Sioux City, Ia
Berg, August	Jan 20, 1873	Smaland, Sweden	3/20/1949	Sioux City, Ia
Bergland, Edward A	83 years old	Boone County	2/5/1955	Lutheran Hospital
Berrien, Chancey L	age 18 at enlistment		4/22/1932	Butte, Montana
Berry, Hugo F	Aug 11, 1878	Cooper Co, MO	11/28/1952	Ia. State Soldiers Home
Berry, John		London, England	7/1/1946	Elma, Iowa
Berry, John N	22 at enlist	Iowa	12/18/1948	Oakland, Calif
Best, Charles A	May 23, 1879	Clifton, Kansas	7/13/1953	Veterans Hospital, Sioux Falls, SD
Bestenhehner, Joseph	Sep 8, 1875	Austria	5/15/1960	V.A. H. Des Moines, Iowa
Bethel, Oscar E	Jul 28, 1878	Sutherland, Iowa	11/27/1958	Sumner, Iowa
Bettag, Louis	Jan 1, 1870	Dederhofen, Germany	5/23/1957	Mercy Hospital, Cedar Rapids
Betts, Albert H	Jan 20, 1868	Des Moines, Ia	2/13/1959	Knoxville, Iowa
Betts, Charles R	age 21 at enlistment		4/6/1957	V.A. Los Angeles
Beylund, Erick G	age 18 at enlist	Sweden	9/20/1936	Manteca
Bickel, William E	Oct 17, 1873	Philadelphia	2/25/1963	Vinton, Iowa
Bicknell, Alvin J	age 25 at enlist	Michigan	8/27/1946	Los Angeles, Cal
Biggs, William W	age 72 at death 9/22/84	Russell, Iowa	6/3/1957	at home Ottumwa
Biggs, Henry J	age 19 at enlist		9/10/1953	California
Bigley, James R	Apr 15, 1876	Webster Co, Iowa	6/21/1957	V. A. Omaha, Neb
Billings, Phil S		Panora, Iowa	12/7/1938	Forthworth, Texas
Binder, Daniel J		Germany	4/1/1939	Burlington, Iowa
Bircher, Bert R	age 23 at enlist	Minnesota	9/22/1956	V. A. Sawtell, W Los Angeles
Bird, William H		Illinois	10/16/1946	W Dodge Iowa
Birtline, Charles W	Oct 2, 1873	Donalls Mills, Penn	11/29/1957	Mason City, Iowa
Bisbee, Warren T	1879	Keokuk, Iowa	5/28/1948	Detroit

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Bishop, Albert O		Avon, Iowa	9/16/1950	Veterans Facility, Knoxville, Ia
Bixby, Merrill W	Jun 24, 1878	Fondulac, Wisc	1/25/1956	V. A. Des Moines, Ia
Black, David L		Indiana	5/24/1941	Clinton, Iowa
Black, Evan M	Sep 25, 1876	Burlington, Iowa	3/11/1952	Waterloo, Iowa
Black, Thomas F		Pennsylvania	7/1/1939	Council Bluffs, Iowa
Blackburn, Harvey E	Mar 27, 1876	Osceola, Iowa	1/23/1964	V.A. H. Des Moines, Iowa
Blackburn, Lee E	age 21 at enlistment		7/31/1951	Prob Denver
Blackney, Benjamine	May 18, 1880	Elgin Ill	3/28/1957	V. A. Hosp. Knoxville, IA
Blades, John D		Benton, Wisconsin	1/12/1947	Chicago, Ill
Blakemore, Jesse F		Moundsville, WV	1/11/1943	Cedar Rapids, Ia
Blakesley, Lyman E	Jul 4, 1877	West Union, Iowa	1/24/1958	V. A. H. Ft. Meade, SD
Blaylock, Robert		Hazelton, Pa	11/1/1946	Des Moines, Iowa
Blind, John	Dec 23, 1871	Stuttgart, Germany	2/9/1956	Davenport, Ia
Blizard, Carl A	Mar 3, 1880	Warren Co. Ia	12/17/1953	Council Bluffs, Iowa
Block, Samuel L	Nov 7, 1870	Muscatine, Iowa	1/27/1962	Muscatine, Iowa
Blomgren, Victor A		Gururinda(?)	2/3/1946	Kanawaha, Ia
Bloom, Pete E	age 23 at enlistment	Iowa	4/4/1942	
Bloom, Wm I		Detroit, Mich	1/30/1945	Davenport, Ia
Bloss, George Fred	Aug 31, 1876	Tippecanoe, Ohio	7/5/1969	Ottumwa, Iowa
Boberg, Knud	age 83 at time of death		7/18/1955	V. A. Philadelphia, Pa
Boden, Edward H	age 18 at enlist	Iowa	2/23/1952	Navy Hosp San Diego Calif
Boeller, John	Jan 7, 1873	Elm, Germany	9/18/1955	Marshalltown Soldiers Home
Bogardus, Jacob A	Oct 31, 1877	Waterloo, Ia	11/4/1957	Marshalltown Soldiers Home
Bogart, Frederick	age 23 at enlist	Illinois	9/2/1950	Oroville, Cal
Bohn, Rudolf H			1/23/1975	Dubuque, Iowa
Bollard, Fred J	age 28 at enlistment	Council Bluffs	12/8/1938	Vets Hospital Des Moines
Bond, Asberry	Dec 21, 1870	Richland, Iowa	12/2/1949	V. A. Des Moines, Ia

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Bonham, John R	age 24 at enlist		5/13/1949	Veterans Hospital Des Moines
Bonham, Robert A			4/13/1969	Winterset, Ia
Booe, William Frederick	Oct 28, 1877	Norway, Ia	10/26/2015	Clarida
Booth, Arthur	Aug 6, 1884	Wayne, West Va	1/23/1954	V. A. Hosp Des Moines
Booth, Fred M	Apr 9, 1875	Vinton County, Ohio	9/2/1968	Knoxville, Iowa
Booth, Herman	Dec 10, 1874	Maquoketa, Iowa	4/6/1949	Marshalltown, Iowa
Boothroyd, Wesley W	1876	Dakota City, Ia	6/7/1954	Humboldt, Iowa
Borland, Ezra J	Dec 23, 1872	Milan, Ill	10/10/1955	Pringhar, Iowa
Borzetra, James E	1870	Salem, Vir	6/2/1969	Des Moines, Iowa
Bosquet, Cutts B	Oct 26, 1873	Pella, Iowa	7/10/1957	V. A. Hosp Des Moines
Boston, H. Fred		Muscatine, Iowa	4/4/1946	Muscatine, Iowa
Bowder, Frank		Des Moines, Ia	10/19/1939	Marshalltown, Iowa
Bower, John D	age 22 at enlist	Res Ia Falls at enlist		
Bowers, Dr. B A	Apr 12, 1878	Vinton, Iowa	6/29/1950	Sioux City
Bowers, John	age 22 at enlist		5/2/1955	V. A. Los Angeles
Bowers, Wm L		South Bend, Ind	12/3/1944	Davenport
Bowman, Eligje		New Gordon, NC	8/5/1939	US Vets Hospital
Bowman, Martin W	Jul 2, 1876	Cedar Rapids, Iowa	4/16/1956	Veterans Hospital, Iowa City, Ia
Bowman, William H		Ecomony, Ind	10/1/1946	Des Moines, Iowa
Boyd, Charles	Aug 18, 1871	Chillicothe, Mo	3/5/1954	V A Hospital, Des Moines, Ia
Boyd, Charles B	age 28 at enlistment		2/20/1956	V. A. Denver, Co
Boydston, Walter R	age 18 at enlistment	Illinois	1/15/1951	Vets. Home, Napa Co, Cal
Boyer, Henry E			2/18/1968	Sioux City, Ia
Boyle, Mark	age 24 at enlist	Wisconsin	10/24/1952	Whittier, Cal
Boyne, Joe D	age 21 at enlistment	Bridgeport, Connecticut	12/17/1962	Bridgeport, Connecticut
Brace, Stanley C	Aug 20, 1875	Independence, Ia	8/1/1964	Mathre Nursing Home, Eagle Grove
Bradford, George H	Aug 6, 1880	Peru, Neb	5/1/1957	V. A. Hospital, Knoxville, Iowa

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Bradley, John Martin	Oct 12, 1868	Elsworth, Iowa	2/18/1942	Finley Hospital, Dubuque
Bradshaw, Herb		Houghton, Ind	6/22/1940	Veterans Hospital, Des Moines
Brand, Charles L	age 22 at enlist	Minnesota	1/12/1947	Oak Knoll Hosp, Oakland, Ca
Brandow, Claude G			9/25/1952	Sioux City, Ia
Brandstatter, Edw	Oct 9, 1874	Tiffin, Ia	5/13/1959	Sioux City, Ia
Brandt, Christopher R	age 20 at enlist	Iowa	2/23/1941	Ft. Miley Hospital, Frisco
Brandt, Frank			3/12/1945	Prescott, Iowa
Bratschi, Frank Alexander	Oct 27, 1872	St. Clair Co, Missouri	4/20/1951	Exline, Iowa
Breazeal, John	Oct 24, 1876	Selma, Ala	12/9/1952	Burlington, Iowa
Brechwald, Jacob		Germany	12/2/1938	Quimby, Iowa
Brennan, Hugh	Nov 2, 1870	Keokuk, Iowa	11/12/1955	Keokuk, Iowa
Brenneman, Lawrence J		LaFayette, Iowa	10/4/1940	Marion, Iowa
Brewer, Col Guy E	Sep 2, 1875	State Center, Iowa	9/4/1923	near Des Moines, Iowa auto accident
Bricker, Scott	Dec 6, 1875	Callao, Mo	5/19/1959	Iowa Soldiers Home
Brockman, Harry E	age 22 at enlist		7/4/1952	
Brode (alias Brady), Abraham (alias Roland L)	Jun 3, 1877	Kansas City, Mo	8/23/1954	Broadlawn Hosp, Des Moines, Iowa
Broderson, Herman L	1873	Iowa	10/22/1947	Waverly, Iowa
Brookover, Harry	Sep 2, 1873	Zanesville, Ohio	1/2/1956	V. A. Hosp, Des Moines, Ia
Brooks, Samuel R	May 1, 1877	Somerset Co, Pennsylvania	6/21/1955	Waterloo, Iowa
Brower, Andrew A	Nov 5, 1875	Adair Co	5/15/1959	Omaha, Neb
Brown, Arthur	age 26 at enlistment	Iowa	4/11/1956	Wapeto, Washington
Brown, Benjamin F	Jun 26, 1880	Davenport, Iowa	1/22/1949	Davenport, Ia
Brown, Charles H	age 28 at enlistment	Pennsylvania	1/20/1939	Waterloo, Iowa
Brown, George	Aug 15, 1876	Tampico, Illinois	4/25/1955	V. A. Hosp, Knoxville, Iowa
Brown, George N			2/15/1934	Veterans Hospital, Keerville, Tenn
Brown, H L	Dec 1, 1875	Fertil, Ia	9/8/1955	Mason City, Iowa
Brown, Owen	age 80 at death	West Virginia	11/5/1950	Waterloo, Iowa
Brown, Thomas J	Sept 3, 1872	Aledo, Ill	4/7/1958	Veterans Home, Napa Co, Cal
Brown, Dr. W E		Tipton, Iowa	11/21/1939	Cedar Rapids, Ia

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Brown, W. H.		Lima, Ohio	Oct-39	Perry, Iowa
Brown, Earnest Wheeler	Nov 7, 1874	Alexis, Ill	7/9/1948	Iowa Falls, Iowa
Brown, William L		Eddyville, Iowa	4/3/1939	Eddyville, Iowa
Browning, John		Kentucky	9/24/1943	US Vets Hospital, Des Moines
Bruhns, Henry J		Ditzen, Germany	5/15/1936	Iowa Falls
Brundidge, Fred P	Jan 17, 1874	Anamosa, Iowa	7/13/1958	Vinton, Iowa
Bruner, Arthur L	age 27 at enlist	Iowa	1952	
Bruner, Dr. Roy J	age 22 at enlist	Iowa	1/7/1944	Los Angeles, Cal
Bryant, Alexander	age 25 at enlist	Georgia	7/1/1944	Stockton, Cal
Buck, Wm A			3/31/1953	Leon, Iowa
Buckhart, John F			3/14/1968	Lake City, Utah
Buckingham, Roscoe D	Nov 10, 1875	East Poultney, Vermont	4/14/1963	Oskaloosa, Iowa
Buckmaster, M D	Dec 1, 1876	Creighton, Neb	9/21/1952	Waterloo, Iowa
Buckwar, Martin J	Sep 22, 1875	Brandenburg Province, Germany	5/14/1955	Ft. Madison, Iowa
Buckwar, Martin J	age 23 at enlist	Germany	5/14/1956	Ft. Madison, Iowa
Bugby, William		Boone Iowa	12/2/1944	Boone Iowa
Bullis, Henry	Sept 16, 1877	La Verne, Minn	1/6/1959	Veterans Hospital
Bunten, Dick L	age 22 at enlist	Iowa	3/19/1941	Natl Military Home
Burchard, Chas H	Feb 14, 1870	Mt. Carmel, Ill	4/12/1947	Chicago, Ill
Burda, Joseph	Dec 25, 1875	Cedar Rapids, Iowa	8/27/1942	Cedar Rapids, Ia
Burd, Fred C	Apr 6, 1872	Dubuque, IA	12/16/1947	Dubuque, Iowa
Buren, F F	Sep 23, 1876	Dwight, Illinois	5/15/1964	Clinton, Iowa
Burge, Charles W		Burlington, Iowa	8/25/1936	Iowa Soldiers Home Hospital
Burke, Harvey B	Nov 6, 1872	Central City, Neb	8/31/1957	Vet Hospital, Topeka, Kan
Burke, Nicholas W	Aug 8, 1868	Independence, Ia	1/2/1954	Pasadena, Cal
Burkhart, Otto		Buhluthal, Germany	4/17/1958	Woods Vet. Hosp. Wood, Wis
Burlew, Daniel E	age 27 at enlist	Iowa	12/4/1930	
Burlingame, Delmar J	age 23 at enlist	Illinois	11/24/1939	Upland, California
Burnett, Wm. A			3/9/1963	Salt Lake
Burnett, William H	Jun 10, 1872	Des Moines, Ia	9/18/1958	Leon, Iowa
Burnham, Howard E	age 21 at enlistment	res Washington at enlist	6/29/1941	Natl Mil Home, L A
Burns, Charles T	Jun 6, 1876	La Mars	12/16/1944	Sioux City, Ia

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Burns, Robt O	age 22 at enlist	New York	1/24/1940	Oakland, Calif
Burns, Roy E			9/26/1969	Veterans Hospital, Des Moines
Burnside, Luther M	Jun 19, 1879	Denison, Iowa	12/5/1952	Denison, Iowa
Burr, Clarence Alred	Jan 19, 1876	Dwight, Illinois	10/13/1953	Sioux City, Ia
Burris, M F			4/28/1947	Mason City, Iowa
Burroughs, Clyde W	age 19 at enlist	Iowa	9/21/1956	Leon, Iowa
Burrows, James S	Dec 29, 1878	Keokuk, Iowa	10/1/1953	Keokuk, Iowa
Burrows, Sam W		Port Boyron, Ill	12/28/1945	Waterloo, Iowa
Burton, Albert F	age 35 at enlist	Iowa		
Burton, William A	Sept 12, 1875	Delhi, Iowa	8/13/1955	Waterloo, Iowa
Busse, Benjamin		Diekerish, Luxenburg	3/19/1937	Iowa Soldiers Home Hospital
Buttolph, John F	Apr 29, 1873	Piolet Mound, Boone Co	12/19/1957	V. A. Des Moines, Ia
Byers, Harry D	Apr 17, 1874		5/30/1951	
Byers, John Walter	Feb 14, 1869	Libertyville, Iowa	7/12/1953	Fairfield, Iowa
Byford, Fred W	age 30 at enlist	Iowa	5/9/1940	San Diego

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The Spanish American War

The *Maine* spent her active career operating along the East Coast of the United States and the Caribbean. In January 1898, the *Maine* was sent from Key West, Florida, to Havana, Cuba, to protect U.S. interests during a time of local insurrection and civil disturbances. Three weeks later, at 9:40 on the night of 15 February, an explosion on board the *Maine* occurred in the Havana Harbor. Later investigations revealed that more than five tons of powder charges for the vessel's six and ten-inch (254 mm) guns had ignited, virtually obliterating the forward third of the ship. The remaining wreckage rapidly settled to the bottom of the harbor. Most of the *Maine's* crew were sleeping or resting in the enlisted quarters in the forward part of the ship when the explosion occurred. Two hundred and sixty-six men lost their lives as a result of the explosion or shortly thereafter, and eight more died later from injuries. Captain Charles Sigsbee and most of the officers survived because their quarters were in the aft portion of the ship. On 28 March, the US Naval Court of Inquiry in Key West declared that a naval mine caused the explosion.



The explosion was a precipitating cause of the Spanish-American War that began in April 1898 and which used the rallying cry, "Remember the *Maine*!, To hell with Spain!" The episode focused national attention on the crisis in Cuba but was not cited by the William McKinley administration as a *casus belli*, though it was cited by some who were already inclined to go to war with Spain over their perceived atrocities and loss of control in Cuba.¹³

¹³ "USS Maine (ACR-1)," *Wikipedia The Free Encyclopedia*. Accessed 14 October 2008; available from [http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/USS_Maine_\(ACR-1\)](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/USS_Maine_(ACR-1))

