

Robert A. Anderson Obt.

b. 7 August 1871, Silver Point, Putnam Co., TN

d. 15 February 1930, Dallas Co., TX

Buried: Christian Cemetery, Silver Point, Putnam Co., TN

Inscription: Co F 1st Tenn Inf Sp Am War

Father: Tom Anderson

Wife: **Rillar (Williams) Anderson**

b. unknown

d. 21 July 1945, age 73 years

Buried: Christian Cemetery, Silver Point, Putnam Co., TN

R. A. Anderson of Silver Point Dies

The funeral services of Robert A. Anderson, a Spanish War veteran, was conducted by his war comrade, Edgar M. Nunally, at the home of his son, Dover Anderson, at Silver Point, TN, Thursday afternoon, February 20, in the presence of a large gathering of sympathizing friends and relatives; and his body was laid to rest in the Christian Cemetery at that place. He was born near Silver Point, Putnam County, TN, August 7, 1871, and died at the Parkland Hospital, in Dallas, Texas, Saturday, February 15, 1930, of paralysis brought on by high blood pressure. He was found stricken in Highland Park, and was never able to speak afterwards.

He was the son of Tom Anderson, deceased, a veteran of the Union Army of the Civil War. He was married to Miss Rillar Williams in young manhood. To them four children were born. All survive, with their mother, to mourn the loss of their father. The daughters are Mrs. Hattie Moore of Dallas, TX, Mrs. Nettie Burrow of Trenton, TX, and Mrs. Pauline Cochran of Dallas, TX. He has one son, Dover Anderson of Silver Point. All of his children were present at the funeral.

When the war with Spain was declared he volunteered his services and joined Company F, First Tennessee Volunteer Infantry. Captain, A. C. Gilliam was his company commander until he was succeeded by Captain James K. Polk. The company was mustered into the United States service on May 19, 1898, having previously enrolled in the National Guard. He was enrolled in the National Guard on April 26, 1898. He was discharged when the regiment was mustered out at San Francisco, November 23, 1899. He made a good record as a soldier. He fought in the battle at Manila, Paco district, February 5, 6, taking of Iloile, February 11, expedition to Oton, April 8, 1899, skirmishes at La Paz August 15, 1899, same place September 15, battle of Cebu Mountains on Cebu Island September 21, 1899, besides many smaller skirmishes.

After the war he returned to his native state where he engaged in farming. He had spent the past two years in Texas where he hoped to regain his health. He took special treatment at Hot Springs, AR, and thought he was greatly improved. He will be missed by his friends and relatives.

A soldier has lain down his arms and his battles of life are over. He goes to report to the great Commander of all the armies of eternity. May he make as good soldier there as he made in the Spanish War.

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