

Sergeant **Hackett McCoy**, (Died 26 Aug 1899), Altoona Mirror, August 26, 1899

Died at the Altoona hospital shortly after noon today. Deceased was 60 years of age and resided at Mt. Union. McCoy was hurt yesterday morning at Spruce Creek, where he was employed by Contractors Sparks & Evans on No. 1 Bridge. A large trestle fell on him and pinioned him against a stone abutment. He was released and brought to the hospital here. An examination revealed the fact that he was fatally hurt. He sustained a dislocation of the right hip, a fracture of the breast bone and several ribs and a puncture of the right lung. Everything possible was done to relieve his suffering, but to no avail, and he quietly passed away at the time mentioned. The remains were turned over to an undertaker to be prepared for burial.

Morning Tribune, Altoona, Monday, August 28, 1899

Hackett McCoy, the carpenter who was fatally injured at Spruce Creek, Friday morning, of which mention was made in Saturday's Tribune, died at the Altoona hospital Saturday afternoon as a result of his injuries.

The deceased was born at Duncannon, Pa., and was aged 60 years. He was single and followed the occupation of a carpenter. Twenty years ago, he took up his residence in Mount Union, where he lived until he accepted a position with Sparks and Evans, the Spruce Creek constructors. He served in the Civil War under Colonel McAllison and was a member of the Grand Army of the Republic. He is survived by one brother, **William McCoy**; two sisters, **Mrs. Elizabeth Boatwell** and **Mrs. Sarah Owen**, all of Duncannon. The remains will be taken to Duncannon on Seashore Express this morning and interred at the Presbyterian Church cemetery at that place.

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