

Samuel Reen, (21 Jan 1831 – 26 Nov 1924), Newspaper Clipping, The Perry Historians

Samuel Reen, 93, Died At Blain Was Good Christian Citizen

Blain, Nov. 27. – **Samuel Reen**, the oldest citizen, in this section of Perry Co., who was a veteran of the Civil War, passed peacefully away at his home in this place on Wednesday afternoon about 2 o'clock from the effects of a stroke with which he was stricken ten days previous.

Mr. Reen was a son of the late **George and Clarentine Johnson Reen** and was born Jan. 21, 1831, died Nov. 26, 1924, aged 93 years, 9 months, and 25 days. **Mr. Reen** leaves his widow who was **Mrs. Laura Kern**. He was twice married. One son **Frederick Reen**, of Harrisburg and four daughters, **Bell Elizabeth** and **Mrs. Jennie Reiter** of New York City and **Mrs. Mary Zimmerman** of Palmyra, Pa., by 1st marriage, survives. Funeral will be held Saturday with brief services at his late home at 12:45. Burial will be made at Newport, Rev. G. W. Foulke, will officiate, assisted by Rev. L. Stoy Spangler of Newport Lutheran Church.

Mr. Reen was twice married. His first wife was **Sallie Ann Hunter**, who died April 16, 1901, at Newport. By their union ten children were born: **Mary Mariah**, **Mrs. Harry Zimmerman**, of Palmyra; **Mrs. Jennie Reiter**, of East Orange, N. J.; **Miss Belle C. Reen**, Newport; **Harriet**, who was married to **Rev. Daniel Becker**, dead; **Rev. Geo. Reen**, dead; **Annie Elizabeth**, **Mrs. Chas. Wertz**, of South Orange, N. J.; **Fred Reen**, Harrisburg and **two sons and one daughter** died in infancy. **Mr. Reen** was married to **Mrs. Laura Kern**, Nov. 11, 1911, who survives. When the Civil War broke out **Mr. Reen** was drafted into service and served his term of three years. He re-enlisted as a sergeant, September 7, 1864, under Captain James H. Marshall in Company I, 208th Regiment of Pennsylvania Infantry Volunteers. He served until the close of the war and was honorably discharged June 1, 1865, at Alexandria, Va. He had a good war record.

Mr. Reen has been a member of the Lutheran Church for many years. He was a Christian gentleman, well versed in the Bible. **Mr. Reen** was a strong adherent to the Prohibition Party and was active in working against liquor for over fifty years and often spoke he was glad he lived to see the license saloon closed. Pretty flowers were presented by friends. Pallbearers were: **W. M. Hench**, **L. M. Wentzel**, **G. D. Martin**, **G. F. Stine**, **W. F. Dromgold** and **H. C. Dimm**. By occupation **Mr. Reen** was a farmer and carpenter.

For many years **Mr. Reen** lived in Newport where he was actively identified with the Lutheran Church. He was an upright Christian citizen and had a large acquaintanceship in Newport and Perry County.

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