

NOT YET ARRANGED

Obsequies of J. S. Boughton Delayed to Hear From Children.

FOUNDED LAWRENCE LIBRARY

Was Civil War Veteran—Afterwards Was a Publisher.

In Business in Lawrence Since 1864, When He Was Honorably Discharged From Army.

The funeral arrangements of J. S. Boughton, whose death occurred suddenly yesterday, have not been definitely made yet. All of the children, with the exception of Sydney who is in Texas have been heard from. It is probable that the funeral will be held on Saturday.

Joseph S. Boughton, who was numbered among the best citizens of Lawrence, was connected actively with many important events of the city during its history, important among his works being the founding of the Lawrence City Library.

Mr. Boughton was a member of an old Connecticut family, whose genealogy dates back to the early settlement of New England. His grandfather, John Boughton, fought in the war of 1812. His father, the Rev. A. Boughton, was born in Cayuga county, N. Y., and was a pioneer Baptist minister in that state. He died at Moravia at the age of 72. His wife, Mr. J. S. Boughton's mother, was formerly Hannah Squires, whose family was among the early Dutch settlers on the Hudson. She is now residing in this city with her daughter, Mrs. Paul Brooks.

Joseph Boughton was born in Oswego, N. Y., March 2, 1839. He was reared in Cayuga county and attended Cortland Academy. He began teaching at the age of 17. In 1860 he went to Pipestone, Mich., where he secured a position as a teacher. In August, 1861, he enlisted in Company B Sixth Michigan infantry. He was sent to Baltimore and joined Butler's expedition to New Orleans. After that he spent the summer of 1862 in New Orleans and on the Mississippi. The only important engagement he was in was the Battle of Baton Rouge. He received honorable discharge from active service, owing to ill health. After he had recovered he was appointed to a clerkship in Sherman's army from Chattanooga to Atlanta. He was discharged at Nashville in 1864.

Mr. Boughton came to Lawrence in 1864 and joined his sister, Mrs. Paul Brooks. Shortly after his arrival here he purchased a number of books and started a circulating library. This move was so successful that it proved to be the foundation of the Lawrence City Library.

For two years he was publisher of the Kaw Valley Courier a weekly Republican paper which he sold to John Speer, the editor of the Tribune. Mr. Boughton then traveled for the Tribune as circulator and correspondent. In 1878 he began the printing of blanks and legal papers for banks, attorneys etc.

His marriage to Miss Elizabeth Gill took place here. Mr. Boughton was a member of Washington Post No. 12, G. A. R., and he also belonged to the Select Order of Friends. He has been the publisher of the Select Friend, which is the official organ for that society. He was also a member and a trustee of the Life and Annuity Association.

Mr. Boughton is survived by his wife, one daughter, and three sons, Paul, who is connected with the Hall Lithographing company of Topeka; Arthur, who is in the general offices of Swift & Company of Chicago, and Sydney. The daughter is Mrs. Andrew E. Ireland of Emporia.