

Standard Form For Members of the Legislature

Name of Representative McVay, Josiah D. Senator McVay
Josiah D. — Represented Calhoun, Webster and Sac Counties, Iowa

1. Birthday and place 3. Feb. 1844 Shulton County, Illinois

2. Marriage (s) date place

Lucretia Morris 19 Sept 1866 Lake City, Iowa

3. Significant events for example:

A. Business Surgeon for the Chicago and Northwestern Railways;
founder of the First National Bank

B. Civic responsibilities Mason; GAR, Union Postman of the
Association

C. Profession Physician and surgeon

4. Church membership

5. Sessions served 20th General Assembly 1884 - House of Representatives

6. Public Offices 22nd, 23rd General Assemblies 1888, 1890 - Senate

A. Local Lake City postmaster 1896 until death

B. State

C. National

7. Death 4 Jan 1904 Lake City, Iowa; buried Lake City Cemetery, Lake City, Iowa

8. Children Myrtle Jeannette (Mrs. A. B. Luce)

9. Names of parents

McVay, Josiah D.

10. Education _____

11. Degrees _____

12. Other applicable information _____ *Republican*

- *He became a resident of Lake City, Iowa in May 1872 and made it his home until death.*
- *He moved to Jefferson County, Iowa at age 7 and then to Keokuk County.*
- *Military service - Civil War - Co. B 36th Iowa Infantry.*
- *After this was he attended school, studied medicine and moved to Lake City to practice medicine.*
- *His father was a member of the United Brethren Church. Through the family moved quite often.*
- *He was the surgeon for the Chicago and Northwest Railway.*

HON. JOSIAH D. McVAY

PASSED AWAY IN THIS CITY LAST SUNDAY EVENING.

HONORABLE RECORD AS A SOLDIER, LAWMAKER, PHYSICIAN AND CITIZEN.

Funeral Services at One O'clock P. M. Wednesday.

When it was announced in this city Monday morning that Doctor J. D. McVay had passed away it was the occasion of extreme sorrow. It was known that the Doctor had been very ill for several weeks, but it was supposed by his own family and the public in general that he was recovering his usual health. For several days previous to his demise he had been able to be about considerably, and on Sunday evening last passed the time at the home of his daughter, Mrs. A. B. Losee, just across the way, returning home shortly after eight o'clock, when he was stricken with heart failure and passed away.

JOSIAH D. McVAY was born in Fulton county, Illinois, on February 3, 1844, and died in Lake City, Iowa, April 10, 1904, aged sixty years, two months and seven days. He was married to Miss Lucretia Norris in 1866, who with their daughter, Mrs. A. B. Losee of this city, survives him. He became a resident of Lake City in May, 1872, and has since made it the home of himself and family.

Among the many young men of Iowa that responded to the country's call in her hour of peril, was J. D. McVay, who was born in Fulton county Illinois in 1844. His father being a minister of the United Brethren church it necessitated his changing quite often and he moved from Illinois to Jefferson county, Iowa, when our subject was about seven years of age. He afterward moved to Keokuk county where he lived at the time his son J. D., enlisted at Ottumwa Aug. 6, 1862, in Co. B, 36th Iowa Infantry. The lieutenant colonel of this regiment was F. M. Drake, who was afterward governor of Iowa.

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April 25, 1864. The prisoners were taken to Camp Ford, Tyler, Texas.

An incident occurred at this prison that revealed the man and shows what true and loyal hearts will do for a comrade in need. Captain Armstrong in command of a negro company was taken prisoner at the same time the 36th surrendered. When he saw that he was to be captured and that his negroes were being slaughtered he disguised himself as a teamster. Capt. Armstrong had formerly been in command of rebel prisoners and his captors thought they recognized him, either waiting for positive proof or for an opportunity to shoot him for some trivial offence he was not executed. His comrades realizing that he was doomed formed and successfully planned a scheme to save him. They were brought into the stockade, the first roll call after the next squad was



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Being yet under twenty-one years of age he attended school and afterward studied medicine and moved to Lake City in May 1872. He rapidly rose in his profession and has been the surgeon for the C. & N. W. R'y., ever since a division was located at this place. In 1883 he was elected to represent Calhoun and Pocahontas coun-

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Card of Thanks.

We wish to express our heartfelt thanks to the friends and neighbors who were so kind and sympathetic to us in our time of sickness and bereavement, and also to the minister and singers.

MR. AND MRS. C. A. LAWTON.

LAKE CITY HAS UNIQUE INDUSTRY THAT IS GROWING.

Electrical Concrete Fence Posts Which Are Patented and Patentees Located Here Prove to Be Valuable Invention.

Lake City has a valuable industry, that is just being started, in the electrical concrete fence post of which Messrs. Griffin & Low are the patentees and sole owners.

The post itself is unique in every particular and is eliciting much favorable comment from the farmers who have viewed it. It is made of concrete and by the use of several wires on the inside, which are connected with the fence wires by the patent staples and also with the ground, a perfectly lightning-proof insulation is given to the fence. In addition to

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S. Editor and Proprietor.

Thursday at Lake City,
on price, \$1.25 per annum
and 25c additional for post-
age. Calhoun county sub-
scribed in advance.

Lake City postoffice as second
class matter.

Y, APRIL 14, 1904.

AGRICULTURAL TICKET.
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..... EDGAR VAUGHAN
..... ROSS VONTRES
..... M. E. HUTCHISON



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ties in the Iowa assembly. In 1885 he was a candidate before the republican senatorial convention but was defeated. In 1887 when the senatorial districts were rearranged and Calhoun placed in a district with Webster he was nominated and elected. He was candidate again in 1891 but was overwhelmed with the wave of democracy that swept over the state and failed of re-election by twelve votes. During his term as senator he was recognized as one of the leaders and held several important places on committees. He was appointed postmaster of Lake City in 1896, and has occupied the position since.

Dr. McVay was one of the oldest physicians in Calhoun county and well known over the state from his long connection with political and public matters.

Dr. McVay has long been surgeon in the employ of the Northwestern railroad for this division; was a member of the Masonic lodge, Knights Templar, the G. A. R., and Union Prisoners' of War association.

Very few men in Calhoun county were more widely known than Dr. J. D. McVay. For more than a quarter of a century he was prominently identified with the best interests of the city. He leaves to his family and to the city in the life of which he was so long an important factor, an enviable record.

Dr. McVay was the personification of loyalty. He was loyal to his friend and to the principles of right and justice from his viewpoint. He was beloved by his intimate friends and commanded the respect and confidence of all who knew him. In business he was of a conservative type, and from an humble beginning he has gathered a substantial competence.

THE FUNERAL SERVICE.

and State Legislators Collection compiled by volun-
preceded by the Masonic order in
their regalia and the Posts of the
Grand Army of the Republic and

church, offered prayer. The choir again beautifully rendered an appropriate selection.

The Rev. J. F. Cowling chose for his text St. John 11:25,

"Jesus said unto her, I and the resurrection and the life: he that believeth in me, though he were dead, yet shall he live."

He spoke feelingly of Dr. McVay's great kindness to all people, of his long and honorable service to his country, first as a soldier and later as a representative to the state capitol. The minister's reference to the deceased's noble record in the saving of human life and the alleviation of humanity's sufferings, brought tears to many eyes who had seen him about his noble duties, or had felt his cheering presence when loved ones were in danger.

The minister pointed out Dr. McVay's great earnestness in the service of his government and party, his friendship and support of christianity.

Following the sermon the procession was formed to accompany the remains to the last long rest. Interment was made in the Lake City cemetery accompanied by the ritualistic ceremonies of the orders.

Seed Corn Grown in Sac County.

Test 95 per cent. White Cap and Reed's Yellow Dent. White Cap is big yielding yellow corn which has been raised in Sac county for twenty years and has never failed wet or dry. Sold by the Iowa Grain and Manufacturing Co., Odebolt, Iowa. White Cap \$2.00; Yellow Dent \$2.50. Cash with order.

After April 16th we will discontinue giving premium tickets. We will redeem all outstanding tickets. Plenty of premiums for those who only have a small amount of tickets. Bring in your tickets before May 1st. In due time we will make announcement of our next trade inducement which will eclipse anything ever attempted in Lake City.

FRED BOLDES & Co.

Dr. J. C. Clark, eye specialist, will be at Lake City Wednesday, May 11th.

Bunch of keys found in front of Taylor & Albright's office is at this office.

Gilt edge farm loans, optional payments, 5 per cent. at CITIZENS BANK Lake City, Iowa.

For careful dentistry you will find no one in the country who can give you better service than Dr. J. W. Colvig, Emporium block, Lake City, Ia.

CATHOLIC CHURCH
Divine services at St. ...
the church every other
o'clock a. m.

GEO. COSTEL

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Regular services at the
ian church next Sunday
service at 11 a. m., Sunday
12 m., evening hour is
subject "Luther." The
of twenty voices will give
music. A cordial invitation
tended to all. Come to
the evening service.

WOODLAWN CHURCH

C. L. ORGAN, M.D.

Services at Woodlawn
Christ next Lord's day
are as follows: Morning
"Constrained by the Love
Evening sermon; "Why
Die?" We need not spe-
lawn's famous choir will
by Bro. Frank Arney.
disappoint you. We give
welcome to these bright
meetings.

U. B. CHURCH

The services last Sunday
attended. The Y. P. C.
have taken on new li-
rendered by Miss Bess
highly commended. They
were received into church
in the morning, making
during the present pastorate
een months. The subject
day morning will be "Seek-
Finding God." This ser-
ially beneficial to hon-
In the evening the subject
"Lessons From Mary."
This will also be helpful
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Strangers always feel
are sure to come back.
the Stanfield school house

BAPTIST CHURCH

Services Sunday, April
10 a. m., Sunday School
invited.
11 a. m., Public Worship
Christian's Calling and
3 p. m., Junior B. Y.
and girls invited.
7. p. m., Senior B. Y.
people invited.
8 p. m., Public Wor-
May I become Righteous
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is to be held at San Francisco.

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division officials were in attend-

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Preceded by the Masonic order in
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Grand Army of the Republic and
Women's Relief Corps, who had come
to conduct their brother and comrade
to his last resting place, the cortege
moved from the residence at one
o'clock to the Woodlawn church.
Here a large number of seats were
reserved for their use.

The lines of the marching orders
extended a block and one-half.

The bearers were S. T. Hutchison,
A. C. Curtis, H. W. Crawford, Samuel
Cretzler, A. B. Roberts and W. B.
Long.

The church, large as it is, was pack-
ed, and even people were standing up-
on the sidewalks, coming to pay their
last respects to their honored and be-
loved fellow citizen.

Most beautiful floral decorations
in great abundance were arranged on
the platform. Magnificent floral
pieces were received from the First
National Bank, of which institution
Dr. McVay was a director, the Ma-
sonic order, G. A. R. and Women's
Relief Corps and many private
parties. Roses, carnations and lilies
were the predominating flowers.

The choir sang, upon the entrance
of the procession, the beautiful hymn,
"Thy Will Be Done."

Rev. C. L. Organ, of the Woodlawn
church, then read a portion of Apos-
tle Paul's writings regarding the
resurrection as found in 1 Corinthians
and XV Chapter.

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day of application.

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rush. New screens and all kinds of
wood work made to order. All orders
attended to promptly,

By THE WOOD BUTCHER.

Northwest Square.

JACKSON NEWS LETTER.

E. M. Rex is passing a few days at
home.

Guy Haley was an over Sunday
guest of Charlie Peebles.

Mrs. Carrie Nicholas began teach-
ing at the Halner school Monday.

Rev. and Mrs. J. H. Freedline leave
April 12th for Harlan where he has a
charge for another year.

Rev. Stone and mother, Mrs. Nora
Peebles, and Rev. Bump were guests
at the Champlin home Wednesday.

Mrs. Kelly, her mother and Misses
Allie and Blanche Rex visited Monday
at the Arthur Noble home at Lanes-
boro.

There was no preaching at C. W.
Sunday. Sunday school next Sunday
at two p. m., and preaching at
three o'clock p. m.

The C. W. A. S. will meet April 21,
with Mrs. Lou Champlin. Everyone
is invited. It is hoped that all of the
members will be present.

A crowd of the Camp Creek people
surprised Mr. and Mrs. Will Eakin
Tuesday evening, it being their wed-
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Des Moines, Iowa

You searched for **Josiah D. Mcvay** in **Iowa**

U.S. Civil War Soldiers, 1861-1865

Name: **Josiah D. McVay**
Side: **Union**
Regiment: **Iowa**
State/Origin:
Regiment Name: **36 Iowa Inf.**
Expanded:
Regiment Name: **36th Regiment, Iowa Infantry**
Expanded:
Company: **B**
Rank In: **Private**
Rank In: **Private**
Expanded:
Rank Out: **Corporal**
Rank Out: **Corporal**
Expanded:
Alternate Name: **Josiah D./McVey**
Film Number: **M541 roll 18**

Source Information:

National Park Service. *U.S. Civil War Soldiers, 1861-1865* [database on-line]. Provo, UT, USA: Ancestry.com Operations Inc, 2007.
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You searched for **Josiah D. Mcvay** in Iowa

Directory of Deceased American Physicians, 1804-1929

Name: **Josiah D. McVay**
Death Date: **10 Apr 1904**
Death Place: **Lake City, IA**
Type Practice: **Allopath**
JAMA Citation: **42:1154**

Source Information:

Ancestry.com. *Directory of Deceased American Physicians, 1804-1929* [database online]. Provo, Utah: MyFamily.com, Inc., 2004. Original data: Hafner, Arthur Wayne, ed. *Directory of Deceased American Physicians, 1804-1929: a genealogical guide to over 149,000 medical practitioners providing brief biographical sketches drawn from the American Medical Association's Deceased Physician Masterfile*. Chicago: American Medical Association, 1993.

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Family Group Record

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Husband's Name[Josiah D. MC VAY](#) (AFN:120Q-3BR)[Pedigree](#)

Born: 4 Feb 1844 **Place:** , Fulton Co, Il
Died: 10 Apr 1904 **Place:** Lake City, , la
Married: 19 Sep 1866 **Place:** , Lake City, , la

Father:**Mother:**

Wife's Name[Lucretia NORRIS](#) (AFN:120Q-3C0)[Pedigree](#)

Born: 7 Jun 1849 **Place:** , Jefferson Co, la
Died: 13 Apr 1920 **Place:** Lake City, , la
Married: 19 Sep 1866 **Place:** , Lake City, , la

Father:**Mother:**

Children**1. Sex Name**F [Myrtle Jeanette MC VAY](#) (AFN:120Q-3D6)[Pedigree](#)

Born: 13 Apr 1870 **Place:** Dalonega, Keokuk Co, Il
Died: 4 Dec 1954 **Place:** Council Bluffs, , la
Buried: **Place:** , Lake City, , la

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