

Individual Summary for Robert Quirk

1

06 Jun 2005

Page 1

Event	Date(s)	Place	Description
Born	^{2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8} Jan 1848	Louisiana	
Christened			
Residence	⁶ 24 Nov 1850	South Fork Township, DC, Iowa	
Residence	² 21 Aug 1860	South Fork Township, DC, Iowa	
Residence	⁷ 23 Jul 1870	South Fork Township, DC, Iowa	
Residence	³ 16 Jun 1880	South Fork Township, DC, Iowa	
Move	⁹ Abt 1888	Cascade, Cascade Township, D, Iowa	
Occupation	⁹ Abt 1888	Cascade, Cascade Township, D, Iowa	a stock buyer
Residence	¹⁰ 1895	Cascade, Cascade Township, D, Iowa	
Move	⁹ Abt 1900	Dubuque, Dubuque County, Iowa	
Residence	⁴ 12 Jun 1900	Ward 4, Dubuque, DC, Iowa	
Occupation	⁴ 12 Jun 1900	Ward 4, Dubuque, DC, Iowa	a stock buyer
Move	⁹ Abt 1907/1908	Waterloo, Black Hawk County, Iowa	
Residence	⁵ 15 Apr 1910	Ward 3, Dubuque, DC, Iowa	
Residence	⁹ 24 Sep 1913	Waterloo, Black Hawk County, Iowa	
Occupation	⁹ 24 Sep 1913	Waterloo, Black Hawk County, Iowa	a stock buyer
Died	^{9, 11} 24 Sep 1913	Engelwood Hospital, C, CC, Illinois	
Buried	^{8, 9} 26 Sep 1913	Mt. Olivet Cemetery, KW, DC, Iowa	
Nickname:		AKA:	Married Name:
Sex:	M	ID:	AFN:
Created:	12 Dec 2002	Last Changed:	03 Apr 2005

Parents

MRIN	Father	Mother
	17 Edward Quirk	Johanna Shane

Marriages

MRIN	Spouse	Marriage Date/Place
	21 Mary T. Seery ¹²	26 Jan 1876 Cascade, Dubuque County, Iowa

Notes

Notes -

1. Ref. birth date and place ref US Census records.

- a. US Census, 1850 - South Fork Township, Delaware County, Iowa. Age 3, Louisiana [1847].
- b. US Census, 1860 - South Fork Township, Delaware County, Iowa. Age 12, Louisiana [1848].
- c. US Census, 1870 - South Fork Township, Delaware County, Iowa. Age 21, Louisiana [1849].
- c. US Census, 1880 - South Fork Township, Delaware County, Iowa. Age 30, Louisiana [1850].

2. Ref. death of Robert Quirk, Cascade Pioneer, 25 Sep 1913, p. 1.

DEATH CLAIMS ROBERT QUIRK

Former Citizen and Mayor Died of Injuries Received in Chicago Rail Accident.

Friends and relatives here were greatly depressed Monday night [22 Sep 1913] when the news reached Cascade that Robert Quirk, of Waterloo, former well-known citizen and ex-mayor of this city, was badly if not fatally injured by falling beneath the wheels of a Chicago Great

Individual Summary for Robert Quirk

06 Jun 2005

Page 2

Notes (Continued)

Friends and relatives here were greatly depressed Monday night [22 Sep 1913] when the news reached Cascade that Robert Quirk, of Waterloo, former well-known citizen and ex-mayor of this city, was badly if not fatally injured by falling beneath the wheels of a Chicago Great Western cattle train at 40th street and Laurel avenue in Chicago.

Last night [24 Sep 1913] the sad news reached Cascade that Mr. Quirk succumbed to the injuries and passed away during Wednesday [24 Sep 1913] at 12:30 p.m. From the meagre information that has reached here it is gleaned that Mr. Quirk's left leg was severed midway between the ankle and knee and that he was injured internally. In a letter to S. T. Kean of this city J. J. Farrelly the well known commission man, briefly recounted what information he had of the accident, and assisted in having the injured man removed to the Engelwood hospital. Amputation of the leg higher up was found necessary.

Mrs. Quirk of Waterloo and son William hurried to the bedside of the injured husband and father. On Tuesday [23 Sep 1913] daughters of Mr. Quirk informed their cousin Henry Seery that good reports of their father's condition were received from Chicago and there was a feeling that Mr. Quirk would recover from the shock but unfortunately the improvement was only temporary. The accident was too severe in nature for Mr. Quirk's age.

Mr. Quirk came to Cascade from Delaware county about twenty-five years ago [abt 1888] and engaged in stock buying, first alone, but later formed a co-partnership under the name of Kean Bros. & Quirk, buyers who were known far and wide among stock raisers and feeders. During his residence he was numbered among the strong and valuable citizens. He served on the city council, and in March, 1899, was elected mayor of Cascade. A year or so later [abt 1900] he removed his family to Dubuque and continued his stock buying business, and built a handsome residence on Alta Vista Street. Five or six years ago [1907/1908] he sold his residence at Dubuque and removed to Waterloo, where he still continued live stock buying and which line he followed up to the time the fatal accident occurred.

Mr. Quirk was married 37 years ago [26 Jan 1876] when still a resident of Delaware county, to Miss Mary Seery, daughter of the late John Seery of Washington township, Jones county, who with three children survive, him: Miss Etta, William and Marcella. He is also survived by his brother Rev. Father Quirk, of Clinton, and three sisters.

Mr. Quirk was a graduate of the Monticello [Jones County] high school, and in his younger days taught in the public schools of Delaware and Jones counties. He was a man of forcible character, genial spirit, and ruggedly honest. His death, and especially the untimely manner of it, is sincerely and deeply mourned here in his old home and wherever he was known.

The funeral will be held at St. Patrick's church in Dubuque tomorrow (Friday) morning [26 Sep 1913], and burial in Mt. Olivet cemetery.

Sources

1. John Augustus Casey, Casey Family, Valparaiso, Indiana: 27 Mar 1991, 4 Apr 2004.
2. US Census, 1860 - South Fork Township, Delaware County, Iowa, 4 Feb 2003.
3. US Census, 1880 - South Fork Township, Delaware County, Iowa, 4 Feb 2003.
4. US Census, 1900 - Ward 4, Dubuque, Dubuque County, Iowa, 22 Mar 2004.
5. US Census, 1910 - Ward 3, Dubuque, Dubuque County, Iowa, 25 Mar 2004.
6. US Census, 1850 - South Fork Township, Delaware County, Iowa, 29 Mar 2004.
7. US Census, 1870 - South Fork Township, Delaware County, Iowa, 4 Feb 2003.
8. Robert Quirk, Mt. Olivet Cemetery, Key West, Dubuque County, Iowa, 18 Jun 2004.
9. Obituary Robert Quirk, Cascade, Iowa: Cascade Pioneer, 25 Sep 1913, 18 Jun 2004.

Individual Summary for Robert Quirk

06 Jun 2005

Page 3

Sources (Continued)

10. Iowa Census, 1895 - Cascade, Dubuque County, Iowa, 14 Apr 2004.
11. Cascade Pioneer-Advertiser Obituary Index, Dubuque County IaGenWeb Project, 9 Dec 2001, 6 Apr 2004.
12. Dubuque County Marriage Index, Page 453, 2 Feb 2003.