

BOWEN, NATHANIEL WASHINGTON 0002

BOWEN , NATHANIEL WASHINGTON, born at _____, Kentucky, February, 22, 1832; son of William and Mary (Fisher) Bowen; never married .

Came to Arizona, 1865, and was cook for a freighting outfit that year; left Prescott early in September, 1869, in a party of 23 men under the leadership of Samuel C. Miller to prospect for gold on the Little Colorado River and its tributaries; owned a farm in Willow Valley about 5 miles north of Prescott, 1869-71, and was a member of the Farmers Association; listed, U. S. Census July, 1870, at Prescott, A. T., age 38, born in Kentucky, occupation - Farmer; the following references to him were printed in the Prescott Weekly Arizona Miner:

October 25, 1878 - - Willard Rice and Doc Bowen, a few days since while out prospecting on the head-waters of Lynx Creek, found a bee tree, which they cut down and procured from the same about two gallons of fine honey. This is an evidence that our country is fast becoming settled up and taking a front rank in civilization. They left this morning for Lynx Creek with two pack animals loaded down with supplies.

December 12, 1879 - - Doc Bowen and Phil Richardson have been out to see their Cornucopia mine near Cherry creek. They brought in ore worth \$600 to the ton. The Cornucopia will turn out bullion some of these days.

November 11, 1883 - - In removing a small safe from the store of Osenburg Bros. this afternoon Doc Bowen met with an accident in which he received an ugly blow on the side of his head, but fortunately escaped with a slight injury.

Listed, U. S. Census, 1880, at Prescott 48, occupation - Laborer; was living in Prescott in 1898 and testified that his age was 66, occupation - Gardener; the Prescott Courier printed the following announcement of his death on December 28, 1906:

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N. W. Bowen, better known as "Doc" Bowen, died in Los Angeles, California, on the 19th of this month. He was an old timer in this section and owned some property in this city. He was a quiet and industrious man and a good citizen.

Died at Los Angeles, California on December 19, 1906; buried in Pasadena.

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

California Bureau of Vital Statistics, 1906, Death Certificate, No. 89,307.

Great Register of Yavapai County, 1876-1900

U. S. Court of Claims - Indian Depredation Docket No. 1175 (Monihan).

The Arizona Miner, Prescott, January 9, 2:2; September 11, 1869, 3:1; February 25, 1871, 3:1; October 25, 1878, 3:2 and 4:1; December 12, 1879, 4:1; January 23, 1880, 2:2; November 16, 1883, 3:1.

The Prescott Courier, December 28, 1906, 2:3 (death notice).