

# BUTTNER, ADOLPH GEORGE

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BUTTNER, ADOLPH GEORGE. Born 1847 (Great Register gave his age as 35 when he registered on May 9, 1882) in Prussia. He was a citizen of the United States by virtue of his father's naturalization. He enlisted in the Union Army during the Civil War, and was wounded at the battle of Pea Ridge, a bullet tearing into his liver, after which he was not a robust man. He came to Arizona in Captain Brown's Company, 23d Infantry. On his discharge he entered Mexico, joined the liberal army against Maximilian. He was captain of a battery and fought valiently. From Mexico he went to California and later returned to Arizona as a scout and guide under the United States. He served as United States Marshal in 1876, 1877 and 1878; as a policeman, 1879 - 1880; Chief of Police and Marshal in 1878. , Chief of Police, etc., from 1881 up to his death in 1885.

In recognition of his merits, some citizens of Tucson presented him a gold badge at a ceremony on April 6, 1881, at Levin's Park. The badge weighed 35 carats; was made in Chicago. Mayor John S. Carr made the presentation speech.

He was a member of the Grand Army of the Republic and the Masons.

He died of "pulmonary affection" on November 7, 1885 at 12:30 P.M.

"The funeral of Chief of Police A.G. Buttner, which took place yesterday afternoon, was the largest ever seen in Tucson. The street in front of his late residence was, for an hour before the cortege began to move, densely crowded by people on foot, on horseback, in carriages and in wagons. . .The Grand Army members with fife and drum, headed the procession, after them the Arizona Pioneers, and these were followed by the Pioneer

Rose Company, then the Masonic fraternity, under whose charge the funeral was. It was a crowded funeral -- crowded even up to the graveyard."

Note: And yet, strange to say, no probate record has been found.

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