

# Potter, David

Born: Abt 1842  
 Location:  
 Died: July 24, 1896  
 Location: Carson City  
 Inscription: David Potter Co. A, 9<sup>th</sup> Me Inf  
 Section: W1G Row 2 Plot 7

## Military Data:

Regiment: 9<sup>th</sup> Maine Infantry, Co. H  
 Rank In: Pvt  
 Rank Out: Pvt  
 Film Number: M543 Roll 17

## Census Data: 1880 – Ormsby County – Carson City

Potter, David  
 Age: 38  
 POB: Maine  
 Profession: Laborer  
 Married  
 POB – Maine (self and parents)  
 Note: his marital status shows him as married but he was living alone

*Daily Nevada State Journal, 7/24/1896*

~~Dave Potter, an old resident of Carson, committed suicide yesterday by shooting himself. Poor health and hard luck are reported as the cause.~~



## A SUICIDE

*Nevada Appeal, July 24, 1896*

**David Potter**, an old timer, committed suicide yesterday by shooting himself through the abdomen with an old musket. He has been living with J. Bird at the little house on Springs road, and yesterday he took Bird's old musket load it with a piece of brass and tying a piece of string to to the trigger managed to shoot himself through the body. The metal entered the abdomen and came out through the back. He lived about three or four hours. He was found in a dying condition in one of the stalls at Sweeny's ranch. When Dr. Lee arrived he was past help and died shortly afterwards. The reason assigned was dispondency over his financial condition.

## BURIED

*Nevada Appeal, July 25, 1896*

**David Potter** was buried in the G.A.R. grounds yesterday morning at 9 o'clock. Rev. Wilson spoke at the grave. The pall-bearers were Geo, Tyrell, Ed Patterson, Ed Blanchard, Dan Morton, A. Cutts and John Ellis.