

EDWIN RUFUS FRANK

Edwin Rufus Frank, an old soldier and one of the best known men in Oakland and Macomb counties, was killed by a south bound limited trolley car at Stoneshop, three miles south of Rochester, last (Thursday) night (March 9, 1911) at 8 o'clock. Mr. Frank had been attending a birthday party at his brother's, just east of the shop, and was waiting to take the car for home. He evidently became confused and did not notice that the car was a limited going in the wrong direction. He was instantly killed and the body badly mangled. Justice Fraser and a jury viewed the body and an inquest will be held. "Rufe" Frank, as he was familiarly known, was born on the Frank farm south of Rochester 72 years ago, the son of Col. John Frank, an early pioneer of Avon. When the civil war broke out Mr. Frank enlisted in the 'Old Fighting Fifth' and served with honor. For many years he was in the real estate business here. Eight years ago he was appointed janitor in the state capital of Lansing where he remained for five years. He then went to the soldiers' home at Grand Rapids, being home or on furlough when killed. Rufe Frank was a man with many friends, honest, kind and honorable, and his terrible death was a shock to all. He leaves one son in Detroit and two brothers and a sister, L. of South Avon, John and Mrs. ()arch of Pontiac.

Newspaper Clipping 1911
Mt. Avon Cemetery Records