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The Mount Clemens post was organized in January, 1884, and was named for General Henry D. Terry, commander of the 5th Michigan Volunteer Infantry. The post was officially disbanded and its colors sent to Lansing in 1925 when only a dozen men were left to answer the roll. The remaining men continued to meet unofficially and to conduct Memorial Day services as long as they were able. The last surviving member and last post commander was Gilbert LaCroix, who died in 1938 at the age of 92.

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