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The pall bearers were: Peter Lux, O. F. Bleker, John Bissert, John Jacoby, John Freund and Henry Heese.

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