

James Lane lithograph

Lithograph of James Henry Lane by Middleton, Strobridge & Company. James Henry Lane (1814-1866) was a controversial figure in Kansas Territory. He moved to Lawrence, Kansas, in 1855, and quickly became an important Free State Party leader. He served as president of the Topeka and Leavenworth constitutional conventions and was elected one of the state's first U.S. senators. During the Civil War Lane raised the "Frontier Guard," recruited "Lane's Brigade," and formed the First Kansas Colored Volunteers. He committed suicide in 1866.

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