

DIED.
4-18-1916
Mary J. Buffum.

Mrs. Mary J. Buffum, for nearly 50 years a resident of this vicinity, died on Friday afternoon at the home of her son, S. A. Buffum, living four miles southwest of Newburg. Death resulted from neuralgia of the heart. She was the wife of Joseph Conway Buffum, who died in November, 1915. At the time of her death Mrs. Buffum was past 86 years of age, and since 1869 had made her home near here. The funeral services were held yesterday afternoon at the Mount Pleasant Methodist church. Burial was in the church cemetery.

OBITUARY.
4-21-1916
Mrs. J. C. Buffum.

Among the earlier settlers in Poweshiek were Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Buffum, who came to this county March 1, 1869, locating on what has since been known as the west 80 of the Ben Wortman farm. They were married Sept. 15, 1859, at Andalusia, Ill. Mr. Buffum died last fall after they had enjoyed fifty-six years of married life together. Mrs. Buffum passed away last Friday at the home of her son Seth, of pneumonia.

Mary Jane Wilkes was born in Rock Island county, Ill., Feb. 7, 1840, making her at the time of her death 76 years, 2 months, and 7 days old. Of her brothers and sisters but one sister is living, Mrs. J. J. Jones, at Douglass, Kas.

After her marriage to Mr. Buffum they lived in Illinois until 1869, when they came to Washington township. In 1875 Mr. and Mrs. Buffum moved into Hickory Grove township to the place where they lived to be their home until their death.

Four children were born to Mr. and Mrs. Buffum: U. E. of Chester Center, Seth, who lives on the old home farm, Elmer E., of Flagler, Colo., and W. H., of Spearfish, S. D. All were present at the funeral.

The funeral services were conducted Monday afternoon at the Mt. Pleasant M. E. church by the Rev. S. B.

Welles of Chester. Interment was at the Mt. Pleasant cemetery by the side of her husband.

Both Mr. and Mrs. Buffum have been among the staunch, respected people of high ideals who have made the community around Grinnell among the most intellectual, industrious, and thrifty, and their loss is regretted by a large circle of friends and acquaintances.