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David McKee Of Montezuma Dies

(From The Montezuma Republican).
David McKee, retired farmer and good citizen of this community, passed away in the hospital at Oskaloosa, Feb. 26, following a long battle with illness. He was beloved by all.

Funeral services were said from the Methodist church Thursday afternoon at two o'clock, conducted by the Rev. A. H. Barker, pastor of the church. The Odd Fellow lodge, in which he was a great worker, had charge of the services at the grave. The following obituary was read at the services:

David McKee, Junior, the child of David McKee and Mary Ann Glover, was born in Liverpool, England, on February 21st, 1864, and died at the Mahaska hospital in Oskaloosa at 3:45 o'clock, Tuesday morning, February 26th, 1929, aged 65 years and 5 days.

He came with his parents to Scott county, Iowa, when two years of age, and resided there until 1880 when the family moved to Malcom, and in 1885 removed to Jackson township in the Beulah neighborhood southeast of Montezuma.

He was married March 1st, 1893, to Martha Doonan. To this union were born five children, Robert David, John William, Walter Richard, Albert Clarence, and Emma Elizabeth, all of Montezuma. After their marriage they moved to the farm southeast of town where they resided until September 1905, when they went to Yakima, Washington state, for a year for the wife's health. Returning home, in 1910 they resided in Colorado for the benefit of Mrs. McKee, but all to no avail, as after much suffering, she passed away November 21, 1919.

After two more years on the farm, the family came to Montezuma to live. On February 23, 1916, Mr. McKee was united in marriage with Jennie Hicks of Preempton, Ill., who survives him.

Mr. McKee was a thrifty, industrious, upright citizen. He was a man of deep convictions, and was always of a cheerful, happy disposition. He was a faithful and loving father and husband and a good neighbor. He had suffered much in the last six or seven years, and bore his affliction with patience and courage. He felt the end was near and repeatedly assured his family that he was ready to go. He was converted and joined the Methodist church when seventeen years of age, and has been a faithful member and official in the church, being a member of the official board at the time of his death. He was a member and officer in the Odd Fellow lodge and Cantonment, and was a member of the Rebekah lodge and of the Modern Woodmen.

Besides his companion, and the children, there remains one brother, Joseph of Oaks, North Dakota, and three sisters, Mrs. Sarah Jane Alden and Mrs. Elizabeth Paul of Gilman, and Mrs. Mary Ann Doonan of Oskaloosa, as well as three grandchildren and many other relatives and friends.

Interment was made in the Montezuma cemetery, where the Cantonment had charge.