Jessie Doane Was Born In Log Cabin Near Montezuma

Jessie, daughter of William and Sarah Elizabeth Litzenberg, was born on Aug. 23, 1870, in a log cabin, two miles southeast of Montezuma, which had been her family's home since 1868. She attended school Montezuma, and was a member of the Christian church from early childhood. She taught the Primary Sunday school class for many years She was married to Earnest Roland on Dec. 6, 1899, to this union, a daughter was born. They farmed in the Montezuma community and later moved into town. Mr. Roland died Aug. 5, 1926.

On Dec. 1, 1931, she was united in marriage with Fred Doane. Mr. Doane died Apr. 1, 1950. After his death, she gave up her home and lived with her sister, Mrs. May Rempp. In 1951, she fell and fractured a hip; since that time she was cared for in the Grinnell hospital and the Groenenboom and Baird rest homes, until her death on Oct. 7 at 92 years She is survived by her daughter, Edith Mouchka, Deep River; four grandchildren, five great grandchildren, two sisters, Mrs. Rempp, Montezuma, and Mrs. Nell Smith, Melcher; a brother, Fred Litzenberg, Oskaloosa; also, step-daughter, Arline Stein, of Mendota, Ill., and a step-son Prof. Olin L. Doane, Baltimore, Md.; other relatives and many friends.

Memorial services were conducted at 2 p.m. Oct. 9 at the Steffy Funeral Home by Rev. John Hansel, pastor of the 1st Christian church. Ben Purdum, accompanied by Miss Alice Underwood, sang.

Interment was in the family lot in Jackson Township cemetery. Casket bearers were Larry Morrow, Larry Hull, Bud Baird, Bob Gorsuch, Dale McWilliams and Wilbur Moore.

(Fred)