

Mrs. H. L. Jones Called By Death

Martha
Mrs. H. L. Jones well known and beloved resident of this community died at her home, Friday morning, following a long and lingering illness. She was aged 74 years, 5 months and 5 days, says The Montezuma Republican. Funeral services were held from the Methodist church, Sunday afternoon conducted by the Rev. A. H. Barker, pastor of the church. Interment was in the cemetery and the services at the grave were conducted by members of the circle.

The following obituary was read at the church services:

Martha, Ellen, daughter of Thomas and Margaret Gorsuch was born in Mahaska County, Iowa, on February 17th, 1853 and died after a lingering illness at her home in Montezuma, at 12:35 Friday morning, July 22nd, 1927, aged 74 years, 5 months and 5 days.

She was married to Henry L. Jones on April 21st, 1892. Mr. Jones passed away on May 3rd, 1925.

Mrs. Jones was a woman of the highest Christian character, and was respected by all who knew her. Equanimity, patience, kindness of heart, dutifulness, goodness were her virtues. She has been a faithful wife, a good neighbor and true friend.

She was the oldest in the family, and upon her mother's illness, her father's absence in the army, and later his death she stepped right up, assumed the responsibilities that fell to her and walked hand in hand with her mother in caring for the younger members of the family to whom she has been almost like a second mother, and who feel for her that tenderness which grew out of her protection and care for them.

She has been for more than half a century, a devoted and faithful member of the Methodist Episcopal Church, being converted and brought into the Church during the pastorate of the Rev. L. O. Housel. This pastor has always found her a regular attendant and an appreciative listener and friend. She was very much enjoyed by the church and her Sunday School class. Her faith meant everything to her, and during hours of pain and suffering, has steadied her and given her courage and faith to endure.

Mr. Jones was a soldier in Co. K, Second Iowa Infantry during the Civil War and she was an active member of the Wisner Circle Ladies' Auxiliary of the G. A. R.

She has been in unusually good health during the winter and spring but chautauqua time found her with a slight limp that developed into paralysis. Six or seven weeks of suffering then followed which she endured with patience and cheerfulness. She gradually declined until Friday morning when her spirit winged its way to the gates of light and she entered into a blessed and perfect rest.

She leaves to mourn her passing the following brothers and sisters: J. J.; D. T.; Mrs. O. J. Butler; Mrs. W. A. Wells; Mrs. J. A. Fulton; and C. W., all of Montezuma, and Mrs. H. F. Good of Iowa Falls, as well as nephews and nieces, other relatives and many friends.—Montezuma Republican.