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(From the Montezuma Republican) Eliza Ashing, daughter of Thomas and Catherine Ashing, was born in Delaware county, Indiana, October 22, 1850. She came with her parents to Iowa when five or six years old. When about eighteen years of age she was baptized and for sixty years has been a loyal member of the Church of Christ.

She fell asleep in Jesus December 22, 1928, at her home on the old Steele homestead, which has been her home for fifty years. She was 78 years and two months old, and had she lived one more day it would have been the fifty-ninth anniversary of her marriage to John Steele, on December 23, 1869.

To this union were born four children, J. R. Steele of Gibson, Obadiah Steele, and Mrs. Kate Miller, of Montezuma, and Mrs. Eva Playle of Newton, who are living and were with the mother when her spirit returned to God who gave it. Her husband passed away August 14th, 1925.

Besides her four children she leaves eleven grandchildren and eight greatgrandchildren to mourn the loss of a kind and loving mother and grandmother. She also leaves two sisters. Mrs. A. J. McClaren of Boone, and Mrs. T. H. Fisher of Laurel, Nebr., and two brothers, Hiram Ashing of Grinnell and T. J. Ashing of Chamberlain, S. D. One brother, J. H. Ashing, preceded her in death almost two years ago.

Funeral services were held at two o'clock on Christmas day from the Sunnyside Church of Christ near her home. The pall bearers were the two sons and four of her grandsons.