

# Thomas Dougherty

Occupant Name: Thomas Dougherty

Location: Section M, Lot 1

Date of Birth: 2/24/1887

Date of Death: 1926

Date of Burial: 1926

Veteran: No

Lot Owner: Alex Dougherty

Multiple Occupants: No

Comment:



## THOS. DOUGHERTY J. DIES SUDDENLY

Found Dead in His Blacksmith Shop  
in Brownstown Thursday Eve-  
ning of Heart Trouble.

MRS. J. B. THOMPSON DIES AT 73

Other Deaths During the Past Week  
Not Reported by Our Regular  
Correspondents.

Thomas Dougherty, well-known blacksmith of Brownstown, was found dead in his shop, on Sugar street Thursday evening of last week about 4:30 o'clock. From all appearance he was just quitting work for the day and getting ready to clean up and change his work clothes when the death summons came. A pan of warm water was setting beside him and his watch, pocketbook, keys and other articles were lying on the desk beside which he had fallen. He was evidently sitting down and had removed one shoe.

Probably the first person to enter the shop after Dougherty was stricken was Jas. Kennedy, who went in to sharpen a tool, but did not notice anyone about. While he was grinding the tool a Mackey boy came in and inquired for Tom and saw him lying behind the stove and remarked that he was asleep. About that time Reuben Snyder came in and walking up to where Tom lay, tried to arouse him when he discovered that he was dead or unconscious. As the local doctors were out of town, Miss Jenette Russell, operator at the telephone exchange, recalled that Dr. Thos. E. Conner, of Houston, was at the court house, where he had qualified as county health officer. He was notified and went to the blacksmith shop. Only a brief examination was necessary to show that Dougherty was dead.

Thomas Logan Dougherty was one of a family of thirteen children born to Alexander and Sarah Dougherty. He was born at Vallonia February 24, 1887, making his age at the time of his death 38 years, 10 months and 15 days.

He was never married and for several months he had been making his home with his sister, Mrs. Delphia Smallwood, at Seymour, driving back and forth to his work here each day.

"Tom," as he was so familiarly known, was an honest, conscientious and most industrious young man. Although in failing health in recent years, he steadily continued to work at his life occupation, as his strength would permit. While he may not have attained the prominence of some in business and social activities, yet his unselfish nature and the sacrifices he is known to have made for the comfort and welfare of others, won for him a warm spot in the hearts of the people of this community, and open expressions of these virtues were of general comment when the announcement of his sudden death was made.

He is survived by his mother, one sister, Mrs. Delphia Smallwood, of Seymour, and five brothers, John, of Seymour; Edward, of Oregon; Henry,

of Indianapolis; Edgar and Chelsie Dougherty, of Brownstown.

Funeral services were conducted at the home of his mother Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock, the Rev. T. J. Anthony, pastor of the Methodist church, officiating. Burial in Fairview cemetery.