

## Mary Burrell

Occupant Name: Mary Burrell

Location: Section E

Date of Birth: 2/2/1820

Date of Death: 1/2/1887

Date of Burial: 1887

Veteran: No

Multiple Occupants: No

Comment: Wife of John H. Burrell



### Death of Mrs. John H. Burrell.

It is with sincere sorrow we chronicle the death of Mrs. Mary Burrell, wife of Capt. John H. Burrell, who breathed her last on Sunday afternoon, January 2nd, 1887, at 3 o'clock, after an illness of about six days. On the preceding Monday, she was in the enjoyment of her usually good health, and walked one mile to the residence of her son, Harrison Burrell, who has been very ill with pneumonia for several weeks past. She returned home in the evening, seemingly very little fatigued with the journey. Sometime during Monday night, she was attacked with very severe pains in the left side, the result of neuralgic rheumatism. Medical aid was summoned early on Tuesday morning, and she was greatly relieved of bodily pain, and indications were favorable for her recovery, and continued so until Sunday morning, when unfavorable symptoms manifested themselves, and she gradually declined until death intervened and her spirit took its flight, for the better world. The immediate cause of her death was syncope.

Mrs. Mary Burrell was the daughter of Hugh A. and Rebecca Findley, and was born in this county February 2nd, 1820. She was the oldest of 13 children, 11 of whom lived to maturity. She was united in marriage to John H. Burrell April 2nd, 1837, with whom she lived happily for almost 50 years. Nine children were born of the union, seven of whom, with her aged husband, survive her. Since 1840, the family residence has been upon the farm where she died, adjoining the corporate limits of Brownstown. Until the completion of the new residence several years ago, they resided in the house which stood close by the present dwelling. The deceased was aged 66 years and 11 months.

As a wife and mother, not many equaled and none excelled Mrs. Mary Burrell in faithful devotion to duty. She was greatly attached to her husband, and his happiness and comfort were objects for which her earnest endeavors were ever exerted. For her children her affection knew no limits, and for their well-being no sacrifice could have been too great for her to make. Mrs. Burrell united herself with the Presbyterian Church over 41 years ago, and was ever a devout, faithful and consistent member. In all the relations of life, alike as wife, mother, friend, neighbor and acquaintance, she displayed characteristics of the most noble nature, and she goes to her grave lamented by the community at large.

The funeral took place on Tuesday morning. The remains were taken to the Presbyterian Church, where appropriate services were conducted by Rev. B. W. Cooper, pastor of the M. E. Church, after which they were deposited in the new cemetery. The funeral was largely attended, and the church was filled to its utmost capacity with relatives and friends of the deceased. The desire was to have a Presbyterian minister officiate upon the occasion, but all efforts to secure one proved unavailing; hence, Mr. Cooper conducted the exercises and delivered the discourse.