

Dorothea G. Hess

Occupant Name: Dorothea G. Hess

Location: **Section E**

Date of Birth: 1/19/1796

Date of Death: 4/19/1887

Date of Burial: 1887

Veteran: No

Multiple Occupants: No

Comment:



Mrs. Dorothea Catharine Hess.

Mrs. Dorothea Catherine Hess was born January 19th, 1796, in Hanover, Germany, and died in Jackson County, Indiana, April 19th, 1887, at the ripe age of 91 years and 3 months. In early life she united with the Lutheran Church of her Fatherland. In 1820, she was united in matrimony to Henry Dreyer, by whom she had three children—one son and two daughters. In 1835, the family emigrated to America, landing in Baltimore. Thence they moved to York, Pa., where she became a member of the Evangelical Association. In 1838, they removed to Cincinnati, Ohio, where she identified herself with the M. E. Church, under the ministry of Dr. Wm. Nast and Rev. J. Zwahler. She was also a member of the First German Methodist Society organized in the United States. In 1839, they came to Jackson County, Indiana, and as soon as they were settled they opened their house for itinerant preachers of the M. E. Church, and joined by letter under the ministry of Rev. John Kisling. A class and Sunday School were organized in their house.

Her first husband, Henry Dreyer, died December 3d, 1848. In 1857, she was wedded to John Hess. Two years later they located in Brownstown. Her second husband died December 3rd, 1876, at the age of 68 years.

She was a good woman in all the relations of life, as well as a devout christian, and her estimable qualities ever commanded for her the high esteem of all who knew her.