

Elvira E. Kerner

Occupant Name: Elvira E. Kerner

Location: **Section E**

Date of Birth: 1/5/1856

Date of Death: 1932

Date of Burial: 1932

Veteran: No

Multiple Occupants: No

Comment:



Mrs. Elvira Kerner, aged 76, widow of the late John Kerner of Ratcliff Grove vicinity, died suddenly Friday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Kerner, where she and Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Durahm had gone to spend the evening.

Her husband preceded her to the grave less than three weeks ago, since which time she had been making her home with her daughter, Mrs. Chas. Durham. They had only been there a very short time when Mrs. Kerner was fatally stricken and expired in a few moments.

Mrs. Kerner was one of ten children born to Jesse and Caroline Richards Browning and was the last surviving member. She was born near Pleasant Grove January 5, 1856, making her age at the time of her death 76 years, 9 months and 9 days. With the exception of two years, she spent her entire life in Jackson county.

On June 26, 1873, she was married to John B. Kerner, who died September 27. To their union were born four children, one of whom, Blanche, preceded her in death several years ago. The surviving children are Otto Kerner and Mrs. Roxie Durham, both of Ratcliff Grove, and Mrs. Ma-

bel Meyers, of Bedford. She also leaves two grandsons, Earl and Carl Meyers, of Bedford; two sisters-in-law, Mrs. Fanny Bridgwater and Mrs. Narra Richards, of Pleasant Grove, and a host of friends and other relatives.

In early life she united with the Christian church and was a faithful worker in the church, Sunday school and the Ladies' Aid Society. She was of a kind disposition and a friend to all and will be greatly missed in the home, the church and the community.

Funeral services, which were largely attended, were held at the Ratcliff Grove church Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock, the Rev. O. S. Brooke officiating. Burial in Fairview cemetery, Brownstown.

The hand of fate dealt quite severely with the Kerner family in the space of seventeen days. Just three weeks ago John Kerner the husband and father died at the age of 86 years. Just two weeks after his death the Kerner home and contents were completely destroyed by fire, and October 9, Otto Kerner, the son, suffered a painful accident when the ends of two fingers were cut off in a cutting box. Just a few days following this Mrs. Kerner was fatally stricken.