

## Bessie Burrell Robertson

Occupant Name: Bessie Burrell Robertson

Location: Section E

Date of Birth: 11/26/1878

Date of Death: 1930

Date of Burial: 1930

Veteran: No

Multiple Occupants: No

Comment:



## Death Summons Is Sudden

To Mrs. J. M. Robertson, 51,  
One of Brownstown's Most  
Prominent Women.

Funeral Thursday

Was Active in Church and Social  
Circles and Leader in Wel-  
fare Work.

Seldom has this community received such a severe shock as it did Tuesday afternoon when the startling announcement was made that Mrs. Bessie Robertson, wife of Joseph M. Robertson, one of Brownstown's best known and most prominent women, had expired suddenly at her home on West Spring street after only a few hours' illness.

Very few persons knew that she had been taken suddenly sick, as she was shopping at the stores during the morning and was up and about and active in her household duties and superintending some plumbing in remodeling the bath room after returning home.

Mr. Robertson, as was his daily custom, had gone to Medora to look after the business of the Medora Brick and Shale Co., of which he is one of the principal owners, and returned home about ten o'clock. Stepping into the house he saw his wife lying face downward across the bed with her feet on the floor.

Hastening to her side and seeing that she was in a serious condition, asked her if she was suffering pain, when she just uttered one word "pain," and lapsed into unconsciousness. Several physicians were summoned and did all that medical skill could do to revive her, but to no avail, as she expired without regaining consciousness. Her death was due to angina pectoris.

Bessie Burrell was a daughter of John B. and Florence Emerson Burrell, both deceased, and was the last surviving member of that family, consisting of father, mother, son and daughter. She was born in Brownstown November 26, 1878. On October 31, 1899, she was married to Joseph M. Robertson, who with one daughter, Carolyn, aged 10, survives her.

In early life she united with the Presbyterian church and was an active worker in the Missionary society. She was organizing regent of the General Jacob Brown Chapter of the D. A. R.; a charter member of the Brownstown

Wednesday Club, and a member of the Jackson County Board of Children's Guardians. She attended the Brownstown schools and was graduated with the class of 1895.

Mrs. Robertson was a great welfare worker. As an illustration of her deep interest in ministering to the afflicted and unfortunate, only the