

## Alcinda Scott

Occupant Name: Alcinda Scott

Location: Section A

Date of Birth: 4/15/1819

Date of Death: 7/10/1884

Date of Burial: 1884

Veteran: No

Multiple Occupants: No

Comment:



### LOCAL MATTERS.

#### Death of a Noble Woman.

It becomes our duty this week to record the death of Mrs. Alcinda Scott, wife of Capt. John Scott, of this place. Her dissolution took place on Thursday evening, July 10th, 1884, at about six o'clock. During the past five months Mrs. Scott had been laboring under severe affliction, both physically and mentally, and most of the time was confined to bed. The immediate cause of her death was softening of the brain.

Mrs. Scott was born at Harper's Ferry, Virginia, April 15th, 1819. Her maiden name was Alcinda Smith. In early childhood she was left an orphan by the death of both of her parents. At the age of 13 years she became a member of the Episcopal Church. A few years later she united herself with the M. E. Church, and remained a faithful and consistent member until death.

Mrs. Scott was married twice. Her first husband's name was Oliver Collins, who died in Belmont County, Ohio, about 34 years ago. He was a cabinet-maker by occupation, and John Scott had served an apprenticeship under him, but at the time of his death was working at Wheeling. In accordance with a request made by Mr. Collins a short time before his death, Mr. Scott, then a young man of nearly 21 years of age, was placed in charge of the business for the purpose of closing it out to the best advantage. On the 28th day of April, 1851, Mr. Scott was united in marriage with Mrs. Alcinda Collins. Neither union was blessed with children; hence, under the promptings of her tender heart and affectionate nature, the care and nurture of orphan children became a pleasurable duty with her, a number of whom from time to time found a mother's love and happy home with her.

In May, 1851, William Glasgow died at Bellaire, Ohio, leaving a widow and three children in destitute circumstances. The two youngest, James Henry and Mary Alberta, (the latter now the wife of Joel H. Matlock, of this place,) were by consent of the mother adopted by Mr. and Mrs. Scott, who brought the two children with them upon their removal to this State and county in 1855. The mother was subsequently united in marriage with George W. Grey, and four years later was again left a widow. About one year ago, in company with her youngest son, G. S. Grey, she visited her son and daughter at this place, and finally concluded to make Brownstown her future home.

When Mrs. Scott was prostrated with sickness, Mrs. Grey hastened to her bedside, and for five months was her constant attendant. She was untiring in her attentions to the sick woman, watching by her bedside with self-sacrificing devotion and ministering to her wants with a fidelity indicative of the purest friendship.

In addition to the two Glasgow children, other orphans have been sheltered and kindly cared for by Mr. and Mrs. Scott. George W. Hays found a home with them for four years, Scott Hill for fifteen years, and others for shorter periods.

Mrs. Scott was a noble woman. She excelled in goodness. Her mission upon earth seemed like one of mercy and kindness. Her heart was ever open and her hand outstretched for the relief of distress and the alleviation of sorrow. Whatever she could do to promote the comfort and happiness of others, was ever done willingly and cheerfully. No mother could lavish greater affection upon children than she manifested for the orphans whom she from time to time sheltered under her roof. She was all kindness—all goodness. No spot upon earth was so dear to her as her own home. Although she did not mingle much in society, no one ever welcomed visitors more gladly than she, nor did she ever weary in entertaining her guests.

The obsequies took place on Saturday morning. The remains, encased in a handsome casket, were taken to the M. E. Church, where services were conducted by Rev. Thos. Harrison, assisted by Rev. L. L. Lorimor. A very able discourse was preached by Rev. Harrison from the text, Numbers xxiii, 10: "Let me die the death of the righteous, and let my last end be like his." The church was densely filled, many persons being present from Salt Creek Township and other portions of the county. After the services the remains were deposited in the tomb at the new cemetery, there to await the resurrection morn. The deceased was aged 65 years, 2 months and 25 days.

Thus has passed away a pure, good and true woman—one whose whole life afforded a brilliant exemplification of the most noble and exalted attributes of human character. To her husband she was even more than a

loving, dutiful, faithful wife, and her warm heart and generous impulses were not without their influence in making of him one of the most noble men as she was one of the most noble women that ever lived in Jackson County.