

# Allen, Matilda (McGuire)

d. 9-29-1908

Matilda Allen was born Nov. 22, 1848; died Sept. 29 1908, age 59 years; 9 months, 9 days. She was married to G. W. Allen March 1, 1875. There were born to this union three sons and one daughter. Four brothers and four sisters survive her. Her death was caused by the nervous shock following an operation for cancer at Mercy Hospital, Des Moines. Her husband and brother, J. McGuire were present when death came. The funeral was held at the M. E. church today. Rev. C. E. Bennett, pastor, presided and preached a logical and tender discourse showing that death to the Christian was a realization of greater friendship and happiness. A large choir sang the hymns with appropriate expression.

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The pall bearers were George Lingenfelter, Daniel Haley, Leonard Tipton, O. F. Heinrich, Aaron McWherter and Chas George.

The interment was at the cemetery at Elwell.

Deceased became a member of the United Brethren church in her youth and when living in Nebraska transferred her membership to the Methodist Episcopal church, in which communion she was steadfast till her death.

Her death was a severe shock to the bereaved family and the community. She was a mother in the truest sense, a devoted wife, a good neighbor and friend. Her departure is a grievous loss to them one and all.

This community deeply sympathizes with the bereaved ones in their great sorrow.