

Obituary.

ALDIE BLANCHE WALKER, was born April 18, 1884, and departed from earth life Nov. 21, 1896, being at the time of her death, twelve years, seven months and three days old.

Blanche was a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Walker, of Rhodes, Iowa, and was stricken with one of the most painful afflictions known to the human family—peritonitis—and died after an illness of only two weeks.

Blanche was a kind hearted, sweet tempered girl, beloved by all who came within her circle of acquaintances.

Fate seems to hover over the sweetest blossoms and Father Time always seems to pluck the fairest and most tender buds almost before they bloom and so it was with sweet, lovely Blanche, whom to know was but to love. Her calm and resigned nature was exhibited to the very close of life and a few moments before her departure for the heavenly climes, she took her doting parents and other friends to her arms for a final farewell, and as she pressed the kiss of earthly affection upon their lips, she opened her eyes upon the outstretched arms of Christ's kingdom welcoming her.



Bright be the place of thy soul, no lovlier spirit than thine
E'er burst from its mortal control, in the orbs of the blessed to shine.
On earth thou wert all but divine, as thy soul shall immortally be;
And our sorrow may cease to repine when we know that thy God is with thee.
Light be the turf of thy tomb, may its verdure like emeralds be;
There should not be a shadow of gloom in aught that reminds us of thee.
Young flowers and an evergreen tree may spring from the spot of thy rest;
Nor cypress, nor yew let us see, for why should we mourn for the best?

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DIED—at the home of her parents, of peritonitis Blanche, the 12 year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Walker of Rhodes Saturday Nov. 21st./896. Funeral services were held at the home Monday. Rev Ferguson of Maxwell officiating, and the remains laid in Hill-side cemetery.

Blanche was a bright girl of unusual accomplishments and of a happy cheerful disposition. Her illness and taking away has removed a free and cheerful heart from Rhodes. The bereaved family have the sympathy of all

Miss Blanche Walker died at her home near Rhodes, on Saturday, Nov. 21, age 12 yrs. mos. and 3 days. The funeral was largely attended by sympathetic friends, among whom were her uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. John Sutter, and daughter, Miss Hattie, of this place, and fifty of her schoolmates. The funeral obsequies were conducted by Rev. Gibson, of Maxwell, and six of her little boy schoolmates acted as pall bearers. After the last sad rites had been paid and the body viewed by sorrowing friends, it was tenderly laid to rest in the Brethren cemetery, six miles northeast of Rhodes. In such a death we are always reminded of the sacred words of our blessed Redeemer. Suffer little children to come unto Me, and forbid them not, for of such is the kingdom of heaven.—Maxwell Tribune