

Mrs. George Riedesel.

Born Sept 22, '54. Died April 10, '08.

After continual suffering for some months past with a cancer, Mrs. Geo. Riedesel has answered the call of her Maker and gone to her final rest. She lived in this country about one and one-half years, and now leaves a sorrowing husband and large family of children to mourn her death.

Katherine Riedesel was born September 22, 1854 at Ruesselsbach, Girkhausen, Germany, and was married to George Riedesel December 1, 1872. To them twelve children were born, of which five sons and five daughters survive. Two elder daughters came to this country, and are now the wives of George Kroh and John Strackhem. Telling their parents of the great advantages of this country, they induced them to bring the remaining children and come to America, which they did on October 25th, 1906. Mr. Riedesel then bought the Fred Rowold farm, where they have lived since, and where Mrs. Riedesel fell a victim to the dread cancer and expired at 9 o'clock in the evening of April 10th. Those who knew her have naught but the best of words for her, and say that she was a kind and loving wife and mother.

The funeral occurred at the home southeast of town yesterday afternoon at 2 o'clock, the remains being then conveyed to the German Reformed church at this place where Rev. Link preached a very fitting sermon. Burial took place in the High German cemetery, the attendance being quite large.

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She did have the same last name as her husband, but they were not closely related. Ruesselsbach is a single house near Wunderthausen though technically belonging to Girkhausen. As noted, she came to America with most of the family in 1906.

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