

Wheatland.

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Wilhelmina Riedesel was born in Wunderthausen, Prussia, October 22, 1820. She came to America, and on June 24, 1848, was married at Bucyrus, Crawford county, Ohio, to George Schneider. They came to Iowa and finally settled near this town, where they prospered for many years. Fifteen children were born to them, four sons and eleven daughters, of whom two sons and six daughters have preceded their mother to the grave.

On January 14, 1893, her husband died, since that time she devoted her life to the remaining children. Several years ago she purchased a home in Wheatland where she remained to the date of her death, which occurred Tuesday, January 26, 1897, at five o'clock, p. m., after a short illness of less than two days. Her age was 77 years, 3 months and 4 days.

She was a member of the German Reform church and a woman of many excellent qualities; a loving, sunny nature and devout christian character. Dearly beloved by a large circle of relatives and intimate friends, honored and respected by all acquaintances, her memory will be revered by all in this community.

There were short services at the residence Thursday, conducted by Rev Charles Riedesel, after which, at one o'clock, p. m., the remains were taken to the German Reform church, where Rev. C. G. Zipf preached the funeral sermon to an unusually large congregation. Interment followed at the high German cemetery.

"Rest, dear Mother, and take thy rest.

God called thee home: He thought it best."

The bereaved ones wish to thank the Polyhymnia of the German Reformed church for their floral offerings, also their friends who lent a helping hand.

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At the time of her birth, Wunderthausen belonged to the Kingdom of Prussia. Germany as a unified state did not exist yet.

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