

Death of Aged Resident.

Mrs. Elizabeth Riedesel passed away at 9:20 o'clock Thursday evening, October 14, 1926, at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Henry Ott, of this place, after being confined to her bed for over a year.

Elizabeth Gerhardt was born Oct. 9, 1841, near Gallon, Ohio, where she was baptized and confirmed in the Reformed faith early in childhood.

She was united in marriage to George Riedesel in February, 1860, and they came to Wheatland about 58 years ago, settling on the farm now occupied by their son Theophil, retiring from farm life and moving to Wheatland about 35 years ago. To them were born eight children, four sons and four daughters. The surviving children are Mrs. Mary Kramer, Mrs. Anna Dieckmann, Mrs. Lisette Ott, Mrs. Louisa Ott, and Theophil Riedesel, all of Wheatland; and Albert M. Riedesel, of Clinton. Two sons, Edward and John, preceded her in death as did her husband, who passed away about 25 years ago. She also leaves 15 grandchildren and 23 great-grandchildren.

As a good woman, a most loving and indulgent mother and sincere friend, there was never one finer in every respect. To know her was to love her for the many excellent qualities that she possessed, and so long as health permitted she was ever industrious about her home that meant to her everything the word implied. Her home was open house to all her friends, she lived her life according to her earliest Christian teachings, and she endeavored to bring up her children in the same great faith. She was a charter member of St. Paul's Reformed church, of this place, and all her life she was an earnest and conscientious worker for the church and the Ladies Aid Society of that church.

Funeral services were held Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock at St. Paul's church, with interment in the family lot in St. Paul's cemetery, Rev. Wm. Bollmann officiating.

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