

JOSEPH HAWK

Birth: August 20, 1849, Wells County, Indiana

Death: March 16, 1911, Craigville, Lancaster Twp, Wells County, Indiana

Died Saturday night. Death occurred at home of brother. Funeral held Monday. Joseph Hawk, aged 61, passed away Saturday evening at 8:10 at the home of his brother, John Hawk, near Craigville, after an illness with a complication of diseases.

The decedent was born in Wells County on August 20, 1849, the son of Abram and Eliza Hawk. He was never married. After a residence in this county he moved to the vicinity of Mexico, Ind., where a number of the years of his life were spent. He was in a home there maintained as a Dunkard institution for the blind and was employed there as a broom maker. Some time ago, he returned to Wells County and for a time made his home with his aunt, Mrs. Margaret Foust, southwest of Reiffsburg. During the later stages of his last illness he made his home with his brother.

He is survived by the following brothers and sisters: Mrs. Charles Sampson, of Fort Wayne; Mrs. Oliver March, of Wells County; John Hawk, of Wells County; Rufus Hawk, of Fort Wayne, and Grant Hawk, residing in Michigan.

He was a member of the Church of the Brethren east of Curryville, in Adams County and the funeral service and interment were held there Monday. The cortege left the house at nine o'clock A. M. and proceeded directly to the church, where the obsequies were held in the presence of a large gathering of friends and relatives of the decedent.

Mr. Hawk's father, Abraham Hawk, still survives and resides not far from Fort Wayne. The attending physician stated Monday that Mr. Hawk's death was due practically to starvation. He had been a sufferer for some time from a cancer which had obstructed the outlet of the stomach and consequently interrupted the function of that organ.

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