Reynolds Cemetery Book by Nola Rains - no name or date of newspaper

MOTHER IS DEAD Mrs. Mary Merryman, Mother of Judge J. T. Merryman, Passed Away at 10 This Morning At Home Near Monroe Had Reached Age of Eighty-five Years

Mrs. Mary Merryman, widow of Charles W. Merryman, and mother of Judge James T. Merryman of this city, passed away this morning at 10 o'clock at her home near Monroe, after an illness of heart and bowel trouble, which her extreme age of nearly eighty-five years could not resist. For several days she had been at the point of death and her demise at this time was not unexpected. She had been given the best of care, a trained nurse, Miss Raquet, from Fort Wayne, bing in attendance, but the burden of many years was more than the frail body could withstand, and this morning, surrounded by all her loved ones who have been at her bedside much during her illness, she passed away.

Mrs. Merryman was one of the pioneers of Indiana. She was a native of Ohio, being the daughter of Thomas and Malinda Archbold, coming with her parents to Indiana in 1835, where the reaminder of her life has been spent. She was married in this county to Charles W. Merryman October 18, 1848, and to this union were born six children - Johnathan, Zachariah, Susie, James T., Eliza J., who died in July 1878, when but twenty-six years of age; and Henry L., who died June 5, 1884, a short time after he graduated from the Valparaiso normal school.

The mother was one of those strong, whole-souled, loving, womanly, yet couragious ladies, whose goodness blossoms forth in the strong, rich lives of her children, and one of the best tributes to her is given in the words of one of her sons himself - who has said that "whatever measure of success he may have attained, he attributes chiefly to his wife and mother." The entire community is saddened by the death of this good woman.

The funeral services will be held Saturday morning at 9:30, sun time from the home. Interment at the Reynolds cemetery.

Nola Rains Note: Merryman, Mary Ann, 14 Feb 1827 - 3 Aug 1911; 84y 5m 17d; wife of Charles Wesley Merryman; dau of Thomas & Malinda Archbold