

## Gay Funeral To Be Monday

### Former Local Woman To Be Buried In Decatur; Funeral Monday

Funeral services for Mrs. Martha E. Gay, 70, wife of James L. Gay, of Alma, Michigan, who died at her home in Michigan, Friday afternoon at 2:20 o'clock will be held Monday afternoon. The body will be brought to Decatur Sunday and will be taken to the Claude Gay residence, five miles east of Decatur, where a short service will be held Monday afternoon. Services will be held at 2 o'clock Monday afternoon at the Methodist Episcopal church.

Mrs. Gay was born in St. Marys township, January, 1862, the daughter of John E. and Catherine Teeple. She attended school in St. Mary township where she was a pupil of her brother, Judson W. Teeple. She later taught school in Union and St. Marys townships.

In 1884 she was united in marriage to James L. Gay and they made their home in Decatur where Mr. Gay was a prominent businessman. Mr. Gay was in the furniture business at Goshen for about four years.

He was first in the furniture and undertaking business in Decatur with Thomas A. Auten, and upon the latter's death, a daughter, Matie Auten of Fort Wayne, entered the partnership with Mr. Gay. William H. Zwick and later, Richard Myers, united with Mr. Gay in business, the partnership being dissolved about eight years ago.

The Gay family, with the exception of Claude, moved to Alma, Michigan, where the various members were engaged in a chain five and ten cent store business.

Surviving Mrs. Gay are the husband, four sons and two daughters: Goldie Gay Smith, Alma, Michigan; Claude Gay, Decatur; Ruth, Fred, Richard and William Gay all of Alma, Michigan. One son, Zachariah, died in infancy.

Surviving also are the following brothers and sisters: William H. Teeple, Adams county; Judson W. Teeple, Decatur; Zachariah T. Teeple of Hudson; Mary A. Moser, Wren, Ohio; and Benjamin D. Teeple of New York. One sister, Sarah Teeple-Stoops, wife of Rev. Joseph E. Stoops, is deceased.