

Ill Many Years

Death Relieves Suffering of Mrs. Joseph P. Johnson

Well Known Lady

Of Monroe -- Was Sixty-three Years of Age

Martha Emily Johnson, wife of Joseph P. Johnson, long a resident of Monroe, and one of the best known ladies of that town, was relieved of the sufferings of many years Sunday morning at 3:30 o'clock when she passed into her last long, deep sleep. She had been ill for many years from a complication of ailments, resulting in a dropsical condition in later weeks. She underwent several operations, the first being for gall stones, a subsequent one being for the removal of one of her eyes a few years ago. During intervals of her illness, she had been at the point of death several times and sufferings were most intense. Last week her condition grew worse again and the children were all summoned to her bedside.

Her maiden name was Martha Emily Walton and she was a daughter of William and Sarah Ann Walton. At death she was sixty-three years old, having been born in Polk, Ashland county, O., February 13, 1855.

For many years, however, she resided in Monroe. Her immediate surviving family includes the husband and the following children: R. O. Johnson, Gary; Mrs. C. E. Hocker, Decatur; E. W. Johnson, Decatur; S. V. Johnson, Farmland; Chester L. Johnson, Gary. Of her parental family, there is one sister living, Mariah, wife of O. T. Hendricks, of Monroe. Another one very near to the family is William W. Hendricks, who has made his home with the Johnsons for about forty years and is as one of them.

There was one brother who died in infancy. Sisters who are deceased are Mrs. Marietta Hendricks, Mrs. Susanna Hofer, Mrs. Esther Hendricks, Mrs. Matilda Woods.

Mrs. Johnson was a earnest Christian woman, a member of the Methodist church. The funeral will be held Tuesday afternoon at 1:30 o'clock from the Monroe Methodist church. The Rev. Edgar L. Jones, of Ossian, former pastor there, will preach the sermon and burial will be in the Decatur cemetery.