

OLIVER P. STEED, section 27, Jefferson Township, is a native of Jay County, born on the homestead of his father, W. W. Steed, in Jefferson Township, November 6, 1854. He was reared on his father's farm, where he early learned lessons of thrift and industry that have been of benefit to him since starting in life for himself. He was married April 20, 1876, to Eliza A. Flesher, a native also of Jefferson Township, born February 10, 1861, a daughter of John and Lydia (Bennett) Flesher. The mother died when Mrs. Steed was a child, and her father still lives in Jefferson Township. After his marriage Mr. Steed located on the farm where he still lives, which he has improved until all but twelve of his eighty acres are under cultivation, and has erected his residence and other farm buildings, which are comfortable and convenient. On his farm is located one of the largest gravel banks in the southern part of the county, and this has been the source of quite an income to him. Mr. and Mrs. Steed have seven children - Minnie E., Oliver Harry, Charles F., Dolly E., Clarence C, Glenny C. and Zenobia S. In politics Mr. Steed is a Democrat.

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