

RACHEL C. WELLEN

Jameson Section

GPS Coordinates: 82°55'31.172"W 40°6'18.76"N

Rachel C. Wellen.

Died at her home in Westerville, Ohio, March 16, 1881, Mrs. Rachel C. Wellen, aged 61 years and 7 months.

She was the daughter of John and Mary Cooper who were among the earliest settlers in Blendon Township and who were among the founders of the Old Blendon church. She was married to John F. Wellen in 1857 and they immediately moved to Clinton, Ill., where they lived until the first call for volunteers when her husband enlisted in the 4th Ill. Cavalry, Co. I., and then she returned to the old home. Her husband did faithful service for his country and in the battle of Pittsburgh Landing contracted diseases with which he died at a hospital in Tenn., leaving the widow and a small boy who is now a young man and was permitted in connection with his wife to nurse his mother through 15 long, weary months of the most extreme bodily suffering possible, arising from a most malignant cancer.

Mrs. W. leaves besides a son and his wife, out of a large family, but a brother, two sisters, two nephews and two nieces. Thus death is fast doing his work. She, how ever, leaves a large circle of friends.

Born: August 16, 1820
Ohio

Died: March 16, 1881
Franklin Co, OH

Father: John Cooper

Mother: Polly Craig

Spouse: John F. Wellen

She has been a consistant member of the church of her father for more than 41 years, hence in the midst of more than a year's extreme suffering she never murmured, but was a perfect model of Christian fortitude and patience, expressing often for months before her demise a desire to depart and be with Jesus, and yet always willing to wait his own good time.

Her whole desire was that all of her relatives and friends would come with her in the Christian life here on earth that they might be together there. While we as a church, as a community, as brothers and sisters, and as a son mourn, we yet regret that our loss is her infinite gain, for in this we have no doubt since God's Word speaks no uncertain sound.

Blessed are the dead that die in the Lord.

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