

## RALPH OSBORN

### Jameson Section

GPS Coordinates: 82°55'31.315"W

40°6'17.739"N

#### RALPH OSBORN DEAD

Wellknown Blendon Township Pioneer Passes  
To His Reward.

Was In His 89<sup>th</sup> Year. Has Been Prominent In  
The  
Ranks of Masonry In this Section For  
Many Years.

Ralph Osborn, one of the oldest and best known residents of Blendon township, died at his home, three miles south of Westerville, Friday morning, November 16 in his 89<sup>th</sup> year.

He was the second son of George and Marion Parmer Osborn, and was born February 4, 1818 in the old building then known as Osborn's tavern. Tis building is still standing and was erected over ninety years ago, not more than one hundred yards from the late residence.

His parents were of Scotch ancestry and came to Blendon township from Connecticut by way of Chillicothe, about 1808.

He was a captain in the home militia and also saw service in Kentucky at the time of Morgan's raid.

February 19, 1845, he married Ann Eliza Manley who died October 6, 1864.

Of this union there were born ten children, four of whom are still living, Henrietta, Hiram M., Carl G. and Clarence B.

He married Susan Vincent February 23, 1866. There were five children, Mrs. Louise O. Agler, John R., Mrs. Abbie W. Taggart, Mrs. Nellie M. Niswender and Mary, the latter dying in infancy.

In 1862 he received the first three or symbolic degrees in Blendon Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons.

**Born:** February 4, 1818  
Franklin Co, OH

**Died:** November 16, 1906  
Franklin Co, OH

**Father:** George Osborn

**Mother:** Miriam Palmer

**Spouse:** Ann E. Manly  
Susan T. Vincent

**Service:** Civil War

Later he received the capitular degrees in Horeb Chapter of Royal Arch Masons then located at Worthington, serving as High Priest of the same in 1886.

He received the cryptic degrees in Columbus Council of Royal and Select Masters, completing the work in Ancient Craft Masonry. He was deeply interested in Masonry and missed but few of its meetings.

By occupation he was a farmer and stock dealer, and in all his transactions he never willfully did any one a wrong.

The funeral services were held Sunday, November 18 at the Westerville Presbyterian church, in charge of Blendon Lodge No. 339 F. & A. M., with sermon by Rev. Mr. Shane, paster of the church. Interment took place in the Jamison cemetery.

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