

MRS. A. FRENCH DIES

PASSES AWAY THURSDAY NIGHT AT HOME SOUTH-WEST OF KOKOMO.

Mrs. Lucretia Alice French, age 59, wife of Alonzo French, died Thursday evening at 9:25 o'clock at her home west of the city park on the Alto road. She had been in ill health for some time and death was caused by complications.

The deceased had been a resident of Howard county practically all of her life, having lived in Ervin township and Kokomo prior to removing to the present residence last year. She was widely known in these communities and leaves a host of friends who will mourn her loss. She was a member of the Union Street Friends church and the Royal Neighbors lodge.

Surviving with the husband, there are three sons, Everett of Ervin township, Charles, living south of Kokomo and Andrew at home; three daughters, Mrs. Elsie Turner of Kokomo, Mrs. Fred DeLoo, living west of the city and Mrs. Eunice Smith at home; one sister, Mrs. Thomas Leister of Logansport; 19 grandchildren and one great grandchild.

Funeral services will be held at two o'clock Sunday afternoon at the Bethel Friends church in Ervin with the Rev. Ward Applegate of Kokomo officiating. Burial will follow at the North Union cemetery.

Lucretia Alice Weed was born in Decatur county, near Greensburg Ind., April 10, 1871. She was the daughter of Charles and Eunice Weed. When about one year of age, she and her parents moved to Howard county to live. They settled on a farm in Ervin township, near the little town of Poplar Grove. Here Lula spent her childhood and grew into womanhood. Her school days were spent at the old Nogo school where she formed many friendships. Those who are still living remained her staunch and loyal friends until her death.

When only 13 years of age she united with the United Brethren church at Poplar Grove, and was baptized in the little stream flowing near this place. She was united in marriage with Alonzo French, Sept. 5, 1890. To this union six children were born, all of whom are living and were with her, and together with their father lovingly cared for her during her sickness. She was a devoted wife and mother. Most of her married life was spent in the old Kappa neighborhood. Here her children were born. She joined church at Bethel some thirty years ago. Here she and her family were faithful attendants. She was always interested in all the activities of the church, and was a teacher of a class of girls for some time. Not only did she help with the work of the church, but she was a kind, cheerful and helpful neighbor. Her home was always open to neighbors at any time, she never being too busy or tired to give them a hearty welcome. Many will remember the many happy times enjoyed in this home. One of the many things Lula always enjoyed was the reunion of her old Sunday school class at Poplar Grove which she and two of her old friends organized some years ago. She attended this meeting this year, although her health would scarcely permit her being there. She removed her membership from Bethel to Union Street Friends church three years ago last Easter Sunday, her home then being in Kokomo. She loved her new church home and had many friends at this place. She was also a member of the W. C. T. U. and of the Royal Neighbors lodge.

She leaves to mourn their loss a devoted husband, three sons, Charles, of near Kokomo, Everett, west of Kokomo, and Andrew, recently of Denver, Colorado. Three daughters, Elsie Turner of Kokomo, Edna DeLoo of near Kokomo, and Eunice Smith, who with her family lived, with her father and mother. There are nineteen grandchildren and one little great-grandson, William Russell Stafford, Jr. All the grandchildren are living but one, little Janet Marine French dying in infancy. She also leaves a loving sister, Edna Lester of Logansport, Ind., the last of her immediate family. To her she was not only a sister but a mother as well. Also a niece, Eunice Lester, and a nephew, Everett Lester. There are a niece and two nephews, the children of her only brother Thomas. The niece is Mrs. Cecil Turner and the nephews are Jimmy and Harry Weed, all of Kokomo.

Lula assured us before she left that she was ready and willing to go and meet her Heavenly Father. May we all meet her in that bright home where there is no sorrow, and dwell with Jesus forever. *W*