

DEATH CLAIMS WELL-KNOWN MAN AFTER LONG ILLNESS

There was universal regret expressed last Saturday morning when the news became current that "Billy" Stetler had answered the last long call, that a kind heart had ceased to beat, that the earthly frame that harbored it, lay still in death. Billy Stetler had lived so many years in Willshire and vicinity that he had become a familiar character to practically every person in the community - men, women and children alike. His make-up was such that he gained and held friends, and all who were acquainted with him had a kind word for him. Those persons who knew him best were his staunchest friends.

He had been ill for more than a year, but it was only within the last month that relatives and friends came to know that it was only a matter of brief time until the coming of the end. Influenza and consequent ailments as an aftermath left his heart in a weakened condition, and although he struggled manfully and courageously to recover strength and health, the effort was futile, and he obeyed the summons without complaint, passing on at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Cliff Troutner, three miles southeast of Willshire, Friday, October 11, 1929, about the hour of midnight. The family of Mr. and Mrs. Troutner proved themselves his true friends in his last hours upon earth.

Funeral services were held from the M. E. church in this village, conducted by Bishop A. M. Johnson, assisted by Rev. E. E. Bragg and Rev. V. Hainen, interment being made in Mount Tabor cemetery, at Bobo, Indiana, under direction of S. S. Buchanan & Son, funeral directors of this town.

The following obituary was read at the funeral services: William Allen Stetler, son of Joel and Margaret Feasel Stetler, was born January 29, 1855 in Mercer County, Ohio, and died October 11, 1929, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Cliff Troutner, aged 74 years, eight months and 18 days.

In the year 1890 he was united in marriage with Florence Troutner, and to this union was born one son, Roxy Stetler, of Willshire, Ohio. The entire life of Mr. Stetler was spent in and around Willshire. He was engaged in the huckstering business, and because of his jovial nature this made for him a wide circle of friends and acquaintances. He was a member of Chas. A. Knott Lodge, Knights of Pythias. He leaves his son, Roxy, and wife, and eight grandchildren, and other relatives and friends.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish in this public way to thank the neighbors and friends for their help during the illness of our father, also the lodge for their aid and flowers, and especially do we thank Mr. and Mrs. Cliff Troutner, wife and daughter, Mable for their generous help in this time of sorrow.

Roxy Stetler and family.