

Abraham Longerbone was a son of William and Margaret (Crabb) Longerbone.

He was married sixty-three years ago to Ann Taylor. Together they have faced life with its pain and pleasure, its sorrows and joys, its labor and rewards. Today Mother Longerbone is bereft indeed.

They became the parents of six children all of whom are living. Four daughters: Mrs. Viola Tharp of Ridgeville, Mrs. Mary Shauver of Bluff Point, Mrs. Carrie Curts of Richmond and Mrs. Etta Renner of Elwood. Two sons: Omer of Modoc and William at home. Twenty-nine grandchildren, twenty-two great-grandchildren and several nieces and nephews also survive.

The members of his immediate family have all proceeded him to the spirit world.

At an early age Brother Longerbone confessed his faith in Christ and his Savior and united with the Union M. E. Church at Blaine. Here he was a faithful attendant every service finding him in his place in the church as long as he continued to reside in that community.

After moving to the farm where he died he attended the Antioch Church as long as his health would permit. For the past several years he has been confined to his home by ill health. He kept his faith in Christ however, giving witness a few hours before his death that all was well with his soul. "Blessed are the dead that died in the Lord. Yes saith the Spirit, that they may rest from their labors and their works do follow them."

Brother Longerbone was a home loving man, kind and affectionate to his wife, loving father, taking special pleasure in having the children come home for a visit. By them he will be greatly missed, the loss falling heaviest on the son who has faithfully cared for his parents in their declining years.

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