

Susanna Suman, (nee Longman), was born in Frederick county, Maryland, December 3, 1823; died at Ft. Recovery, Ohio, December 28, 1908, aged 85 years and 26 days. Mother Suman was married to George Suman October 13, 1842, and in the year of 1853, they moved to Darke County, O., and lived there until the fall of 1886, when they moved to Jay county, Indiana, near Portland; after living there a short time, they moved near Boundary, Ind.; where her life companion departed this life. Since that time, she has lived with her children. At the time of her death, she was living with her daughter, Mrs. W.J. Reichard.

At the age of 15 years, she was confirmed, and joined the Lutheran church. After her marriage (in 1842) she, with her husband, united with the United Brethren church, of which she was a faithful member until death. Their home was always the home of the ministries, and were ready and willing at all times to do their part.

Mother Suman had a bright experience. An evidence of this being her last words: "I am His and He is mine. Oh, I see Jesus, He has come for me." Bidding those around her good-bye, and pleading with them to prepare to meet God, she folded her hands and went home.

She was the mother of 14 children, (9 boys and 5 girls), of whom three boys and 2 girls preceded her to the Spirit World. All of her children were present at the funeral. Her six sons, acted as pall bearers. A short service was held at her daughter's home in Ft. Recovery, Ohio.

Farewell, dear mother, sweet thy rest,
Weary with years and worn with pain;
Farewell, till in some happy place
We shall behold thy face again.
"Tis ours to miss thee all our years,
And tender memories of thee keep;
Thine in the Lord to rest, for so
He giveth His beloved sleep.

The funeral services were held at the Antioch church, conducted by Rev. W.H. Shepherd, pastor of the United Church, assisted by Rev. Walters, of the Methodist Church. Interment at Antioch cemetery. ~ Rev.W.H. Shepherd.

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