

Sarah A., daughter of Christopher and Mary Swank was born near Geneva, Adams County, May 16, 1851 and on December 29, 1873 was united in marriage to Emery Shepherd in Geneva by the Rev. Nathan Baker of the Methodist Church.

To this union were born five son and two daughters, Ulysses, John, Gertrude, Frank, Ethel, James and Elwood, of whom Gertrude, Ethel and James survive.

On Friday, October 26, 1906, at her late home, 515 North Pleasant Street, she peacefully passed away, aged 55 years, 5 months and 10 days. From a paralytic stroke in 1889, her health was impaired but not until the past ten years had she been a constant sufferer.

She leaves husband, children, brothers, John and Jerry Swank of Geneva, Alex Swank of Gillespy, Illinois and Frank Swank of Charlinsville, Illinois. Sisters, Adaline Blowers of Fort Wayne and Elizabeth Covalt of Fletcher, O., together with a large circle of friends and relatives.

The funeral services took place Monday, October 29 at 10:30 in the Methodist Church, conducted by the Rev. C. E. Line, assisted by Rev. W. E. McCarty; interment in Green Park Cemetery.

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