Helen J. Williams, wife of Charles F. Williams, died at the family residence in Portland, Ind., Wednesday, August 21, 1889, aged 28 years, 4 months and 17 days. Mrs. Williams was the youngest child of the late Orin Roll and was married to Charles F. Williams in this city, October 3, 1878 by the Rev. S. D. Hawthorne. She realized early in life that this was not always to be her abiding place and made preparations for the world to come – for her future abode in that "house not made by hands." The Christian Church was her first choice, it being the church of her father and mother from whom she received her earlier lessons of piety, but when she made up her mind to unite with the church, the fact that this denomination was not at that time organized in Portland, but did not stand in her way, but she united with the M.E. Church, where she lived a consistent Christian of her choice was organized, when she transferred her membership to that church.

She was a true wife, a loving mother, sister, daughter and friend, and she was a Christian. She leaves a husband four children, (all interesting little boys), a mother, two brothers, two sisters and a host of friends to mourn her death.

Funeral services were conducted at the Christian Church on West Walnut Street last Thursday afternoon, August 22nd at 3 o'clock by her pastor, the Rev. H. F. Buff, a large concourse of people being in attendance. The remains were laid to rest in Green Park Cemetery.

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