

Phillip Swarner was born in Montgomery county, Ohio, June 11, 1822, and was united in marriage to Elizabeth Holsapple in 1844. To this union were born six sons and four daughters, of whom four sons and two daughters with the mother and many relatives survive him. In Sept. 22, 1863 he moved to Jay county, just south of Bellefontaine in Noble township, where he lived until the time of his death which was on Monday March 1, 1897, being 74 years, 8 months, and 20 days old. In 1887 he united in Portland with the Dunkard church and lived a faithful member. Mr. Swarner endured the privations of a pioneer's life, was a quiet, industrious citizen, a devoted companion and father, and will be missed by a large circle of friends and relatives. The funeral services took place Wednesday, March 3, conducted by Rev. Henry Garber. Interment at Mt. Zion cemetery under the direction of Baird and Drake.

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