

FUNERAL OF S. T. CROUCH.

Many Friends Turn Out to Pay Final Tribute-Services Thursday.

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Samuel T. Crouch, of Washington township, whose death was briefly chronicled in these columns last week, was born in Lafayette, Ind., Dec. 6, 1834, and was in his tenth year when he came to Green county with his parents, where he attended the pioneer school and also assisted his father in clearing a farm. He was married in 1859 to Miss Amelia Marshall and the young couple made their start in a log house on land which he had previously purchased. In 1861 he disposed of his own farm in order to take charge of his father's place, and the family resided on the old homestead for an extended period. Several years ago the deceased purchased the M. L. Barney farm, situated south of the village, where the family has since resided.

Mr. Crouch had been a sufferer from palsy for the long period of twelve years and during these long years of suffering he bore up under his affliction with a fortitude worthy the true Christian spirit. Many times during this time it was thought by those near and dear to him that the final summons was about to be called and as many times was his children called home, fully expecting that the worst was about to happen, but much to the relief of those concerned he would always rally. However, the several serious spells through which he passed greatly weakened his vitality, with the result that he was physically unable to withstand the last attack of the malady with which he had suffered. In the presence of his devoted wife, who had faithfully administered to his every want during the years of his sickness, he passed peacefully to his eternal rest on Monday evening last, death no doubt coming to him as welcome relief.

He had been a member of the Center M. E. church for a number of years and was a man whose honesty and integrity was never questioned.

Besides the widow he ts survived by three sons—Albert, Arthur and Josiah, also two daughters—Alma E. Miner, Peoria, Ill., and Libbie Stauffacher, Monroe.

The funeral was held on Thursday from the Advent Christian church and the remains were interred in the local cemetery. The services were conducted by Rev. Wm. Hints, assisted by Elder A. E. Bloom and Rev. Peter Black, the latter being from Albany. A large concourse of old neighbors and friends were in attendance to pay their last tribute of respect to the departed, many being from neighboring towns.