

## **Mary A. Rolph**

**Jan. 9, 1837 - March 10, 1917**

Mrs. Mary A. Rolph, nee Trogner, widow of the late Charles F. W. Rolph, was born in the state of New York on Jan. 9, 1837. When she was a mere girl she came to Wisconsin with her parents, the family locating on a farm a few miles northwest of Monticello, now owned by Theodore Marty. Here the subject of this sketch grew to young womanhood,

She was united in marriage to Mr. Rolph on April 28, 1855. Following their marriage the couple made their home for a time at Janesville, where Mr. Rolph had previously been employed. Later they located on a farm in New Glarus township, where the deceased continued to live up to the time of her death. She was the mother of twelve children—six sons and six daughters. Two daughters preceded her in death some years ago, while Mr. Rolph was called upon to answer the final summons in January, 1899.

Mrs. Rolph had always enjoyed the best of health up to a few years ago, when she became afflicted with diabetes. She was unable to get any permanent relief from the malady, which gradually undermined her constitution until she was compelled to give up the unequal struggle and pass out into the great beyond. Her death occurred on the morning of March 10, at 7:50 o'clock.

Besides her immediate family she she is survived by twenty-two grandchildren, thirteen great-grandchildren, two brothers, John Trogner, of Beloit, and George Trogner, of Neillsville, and one sister, Mrs. Elizabeth Brunner, of Monroe, She had reached the age of 80 years, 2 months and 1 day.

The deceased was a woman of many commendable traits of character. She was closely devoted to her home and her family and as a neighbor and friend she was ever held in high esteem by those who knew her best. Her death is deeply regretted by her many friends in the old neighborhood and elsewhere.

Funeral services were held yesterday afternoon at 1 o'clock from the home of her son, Fred Rolph, and at 2 o'clock from the German Reformed church. Interment was in the family lot in the old cemetery. The services were conducted by Rev. A. Muehlmeier. Despite the inclement weather, a large concourse of neighbors and friends were present to pay their last tribute of respect to the departed.