

Almedia Ferguson
April 29, 1826 - Feb. 11, 1895

Died: In the town of Exeter, Green Co., Wis., Feb. 11, 1895, Mrs. Almedia Ferguson, widow of John Ferguson. age 69 years. Funeral services were held at the house on Wednesday and conducted by the Rev. Anderson of Monroe, after which the remains were conveyed to the old Exeter burial ground and laid to rest. An unusually large crowd of surrounding friends were in attendance.

Mrs. Ferguson was the daughter of an old pioneer, John Porter. She was born April 20th, 1826. And was the third child born where the city of Springfield, Ill., now stands.

In 1831 Mr. Porter and family removed to Pike Co., Mo., and from there to LaFayette Co., this state in 1833.

In 1838 the family moved to Monroe, Green Co., and from there to the old village of Exeter, in 1841. She was married to John Ferguson Oct. 3rd, 1845 and located upon the old farm in Exeter directly after the marriage, where they lived until the death of Mr. Ferguson, which occurred March 13th 1875. Mrs. Ferguson was an affectionate wife, a gentle and loving mother, a good and kind neighbor, ever ready to assist in sickness or distress. In her death the children of whom there are four, Sarah A., William H., John P. and Nathaniel, also a granddaughter, Mary Green, have lost their best earthly friend, and the community a kind and accommodating neighbor. She will be greatly missed not only by the family, but by the people of the neighborhood generally. Mrs. Ferguson ranked among the oldest settlers in this part of the country. One by one the pioneers of this country are crossing to that shadowy beyond where we are taught to believe that joy and peace unspeakable awaits them.

She had been in poor health for the past two or three years and her death was not unexpected.

NOTE: Belleville Recorder, Feb. 14, 1895. Age on stone: 68 years, 9 months, 13 days.