## **Amelia Crouch May 18, 1842 – July 3, 1931**

## FINAL RITES FOR AMELIA CROUCH HELD TUES. P. M. Services Held at Monroe And In Reformed Church Here

Mrs. Amelia Crouch, aged 89, who was numbered among the pioneer settlers of this vicinity and who spent practically all her life in this section of Green county, passed away shortly after 7 o'clock Friday evening at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Alma Miner, Macomb, Ill., with whom she had been living for the past year or more. Her death followed an illness of eight weeks and was due to a complication of disorders incident to old age.

Sarah Amelia Marshall was a native of New York state, having been born at Oswego, Orleans county, on May 18, 1842. She came to Green county with her parents in the fall of 1851, the family locating on a farm in Mt. Pleasant township, not far from Monticello. Nine years later they acquired and took possession of the farm now owned by Fred W. Moser, two miles northwest of Monticello, which continued to be the family home for many years.

Her marriage to Samuel T. Crouch was solemnized at Albany in June, 1859. Mr. Crouch passed away in 1905.

Mrs. Crouch was a lifelong member of the M. E. church and was also affiliated with the Ladies' Aid society of that church. She always took an active interest in the religious and social affairs of the congregation and her support and encouragement were always freely given in matters which had for their objective the betterment of the community in which she lived. She was also a valued and esteemed member of the local W. R. C. and, until recent years, had been regular in her attendance at the meetings. At one time she served as chaplain of the state organization.

Surviving are two daughters, Mrs. Alma Miner, Macomb, Ill., and Mrs. Elizabeth Stauffacher, Monroe, and three sons, Albert, Monroe, and Arthur and Josiah, of Washington township. Nine grandchildren and eight great grandchildren also survive. She also leaves four sisters, Mrs. George Magee, Evansville, Wis., Mrs. P. J. Shaw, Rolfe, Iowa, Mrs. Dell Clarke and Mrs. Lucy Potter, Long Beach, Calif.

Funeral services were held at Shriner Brothers' funeral parlors, Monroe, at 1:45 Tuesday afternoon and at 2:30 in the Monticello Reformed church. Rev. H. R. Kinley, of La Crosse, a former local pastor, officiated. Interment was in the family lot in Greenwood cemetery, Monroe.

Members of the local W. R. C. attended the last rites in a body and also followed the remains to their last resting place.