

MCELHANEY, EDITH M. ESKRIDGE

December 21, 1845-July 29, 1931

Mrs. Edith M. McElhaney, who is better known to her large number of Wheatland friends as "Grandma", died at the home of her son, William, 10 miles north of Henry, Nebr., at 2 o'clock Tuesday morning.

Mrs. McElhaney, who was 85 years of age at the time of her death, had been in good health up to a very short time before the end, which was caused by old age and a paralytic stroke.

Funeral services were held this morning, Thursday, at 10 o'clock from the Christian church with Rev. Chas. F. Thomas preaching the funeral sermon. The members of the Daughters of the Union Veterans performed their ritual ceremony at the grave. Burial was made in the Wheatland cemetery.

The deceased was born in Ohio, December 21, 1845 and was 85 years, 7 months and 7 days old. November 5th, 1866, she was united in marriage to J.R. McElhaney, at Clarion, Iowa. Mr. McElhaney, who was a Civil War Veteran, preceded his wife in death on January 10th, 1925, in Wheatland. Four children were born to Mr. and Mrs. McElhaney, two of which are dead. William of Henry, Nebr. and J.A. of Torrington survive their mother. She is also survived by 21 grandchildren and 42 great grandchildren.

The McElhaney's came to Wheatland 37 years ago from Sidney, Neb., and settled on the farm that is now owned by J.A.W. Hudson, west of town. They sold this farm to Mr. Hudson and moved to the Torrington vicinity for a short time then returned to Wheatland.

In late years, Mrs. McElhaney made her home in the north part of Wheatland, and went to Nebraska to visit her son a short time ago.