

Theresa Archbold was born in Tuscarawas County, Ohio, on the 4th day of March 1831, and departed this life in the city of Decatur, Indiana, on the 17th day of July 1893, aged 62 years, 4 months and 12 days. She, with her parents moved to this county in the year 1835, while the Indians were yet in and about the place where the city now is. She was married to Zachariah Merryman on the 6th day of Nov. 1853, who departed this life in Decatur on August 29, 1865; two children also preceded her to the better land. Two daughters and one son remain to mourn the immeasurable loss.

For more than thirty-five years she was a member of the M. E. church and a faithful attendant at public worship in Decatur for the last fifteen years. She was taken ill five months ago, and though scarcely able to talk from the first, often spoke of the Heavenly home and her desire to go there. All that tender hearts and loving hearts of devoted children could do was cheerfully rendered, and her every want anticipated and wish gratified. She was never too busy to leave her home and children to wait at the bedside of a sick neighbor or smooth the pillow of a dying friend. Peacefully, calmly and without a murmur, just as the morning sunlight found its way to her pillow, the soul went to that quiet, peaceful happy rest that the good, faithful Christian mother that she was so well deserved. The funeral services were conducted by Rev. M. A. Teague, of Pendleton, Ind., assisted by Rev. E. T. Gregg, pastor of the First M. E. church of this city, and the remains were tenderly laid to rest in the Reynolds cemetery north of the city, there to await the resurrection moon.

[NOTE: Merriman, Terracy, 4 Mar 1831 - 17 Jul 1893, 63y 4m 12d; Wife of Zachariah Merryman; daughter of Thomas & Malinda (Andrews) Archbold]