

[Kelsey, Helen Ehle]

MRS. HELEN EHLE KELSEY

Mrs. Helen Ehle Kelsey, an esteemed and lifelong resident of Fort Plain village, died at her home on Center street Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock. The deceased had been in poor health for several years, having a serious heart difficulty, which culminated in cardiac dropsy, from which she had been suffering for six weeks. Mrs. Kelsey was a native of Fort Plain, and was born August 31, 1843. In 1861 she was married to Peter Kelsey, whose death occurred very suddenly one year ago. She was a woman of excellent character, possessed a cheerful and happy disposition, and was loved by a large circle of friends who, with her family, deeply mourn her death. She knew well how to make the best of life, and to make it cheerful and happy, both in her family relations and among her neighbors and friends. She was a member of the Church of the Messiah (Universalist) and one of the most active and warmest supporters of that society. Five children survive to mourn the loss of a loving mother: two sons, Charles H. and Frank G. of Fort Plain, and three daughters, Jennie and Grace of Fort Plain, and Mrs. Clay Beisley of Peoria, Ill. The funeral will be held at her home Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock, Rev. L.J. Richards officiating.

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