

MITCHELL, AGNES DORA

Birth

May 14, 1873 in Warren Co.,
Iowa

Death

March 9, 1956 at Monmouth,
Illinois



Cause of Death

Cemetery Lot

Buried on Lot 103
Lot was bought by Alvin Mitchell on July 17, 1916

Maiden Name

Ledlie

Father

Thomas Ledlie

Mother

Mary Frances Lindsey

Marriage

Agnes L. Ledlie to J. Alvin Mitchell on March 21, 1906 in Warren Co., Iowa

Return of marriage in the county of Warren for the year ending July 3, 1906
91-2382
License No. 53

J. A. Mitchell
Residence, Orilla, Iowa
Place of birth: Orilla, Iowa
Occupation: Farmer
Age next birthday: 31
1st marriage
Father: D. R. Mitchell

Mother: Sarah J. Miller

Married

March 21, 1906

Carlisle, Iowa

Agnes D. Ledlie

Residence: Carlisle, Iowa

Place of birth: Carlisle, Iowa

Age next birthday: 33

Father: Thomas Ledlie

Mother: Mary M. Lindsay

Witnesses: W. H. Witfiell and J. D. Ledlie

Married by: C. C. Kyle

Census

1880 – Allen Twp., Warren Co., Iowa; ED229; Page 7; July 19, 1880

Dwelling 35; Family 35

Ledlie, Thomas	35	Farmer	Ireland Ireland Ireland
Mary F.	36	Keeping house	Ireland Scot Ireland
Agnes D.	07		IA Ireland Ireland
James D.	05		IA Ireland Ireland
Flora B.	02		IA Ireland Ireland
Ethel	00 2/12		IA Ireland Ireland

1885 – Allen Twp., Warren Co., IA; Page 14

Dwelling 61; Family 61

Ledley, Thomas	42	farmer	Ireland
Mary F.	40		Ireland
Agnes D.	11		Warren Co., IA
James D.	09		Warren Co., IA
Flora B.	07		Warren Co., IA
Thomas L.	02		Warren Co., IA

1895 – Allen Twp., Warren Co., IA; Page 8

Family 38

Ledley, Thomas	51		Ireland
Mary F.	50		Ireland
Agnes D.	21		Warren Co., IA
James D.	19		Warren Co., IA
Flora B.	17		Warren Co., IA
Thomas L.	12		Warren Co., IA
Francis G.	06		Warren Co., IA

1900 – Allen Twp., Warren Co., IA; ED 130; Page 10; Line 41; June 1, 1900

Dwelling 225; Family 226

Leadlie, Thomas	56	farmer - married 31 years Came to the US in 1868 Born September 1843	IRE	IRE	IRE
Mary F.	56	8 children; 5 living Came to the US in 1868 Born February 1843	IRE	SCOT	IRE
Agnes D.	26	farm labor - Born May 1874	IA	IRE	IRE
James D.	24	farm labor - Born May 1876	IA	IRE	IRE
Flora B.	21	Born October 1878	IA	IRE	IRE
Thomas	17	farm labor - Born July 1882	IA	IRE	IRE
Francis	11	Born June 1888	IA	IRE	IRE

1905 – Warren Co., Iowa; State census

Ledlie, Agnes	31		IA	Ireland	Ireland
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1910 – Boone Twp., Dallas Co., Iowa; ED5; Page 4B; April 27, 1910

Dwelling 81; Family 81

Mitchell, Justice A.	36	Farmer Married 4 years	IA	OH	OH
Agnes L.	36	2 children; 2 living	IA	Ireland	Ireland
Elizabeth G.	03		IA	IA	IA
Willard L.	01		IA	IA	IA

1915 – Boone Twp., Dallas Co., Iowa; State census; Post Office, Valley Junction, Iowa
Card #411

Mitchell, Agnes	41		IA	Ire	Ire
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1920 – Bloomfield Twp., Polk Co., IA; ED 233; Page 16B; February 14, 1920

Dwelling 394; Family 396

Mitchell, Justice A.	46	farmer	IA	IN	IN
Agnes L.	46		IA	IRE	IRE
Elizabeth	13		IA	IA	IA
Donald	08		IA	IA	IA
Ruth	06		IA	IA	IA

1925 – Bloomfield Twp., Polk Co., IA; Book 49; Line 13

Mitchell, J. A.	51	Father, D. R. Mitchell, born in NH Mother, Sarah J. Miller, born in NH	IA		
Agnes	51	Father, Thomas Ledlie, born in IRE Mother, Mary Lindsey, born in IRE	IA		
Lizabeth G.	17	Father, J. A. Mitchell, born in IA Mother, Agnes Lidlie, born in IA	IA		

Donald	13	IA
	Father, J. A. Mitchell, born in IA	
	Mother, Agnes Lidle, born in IA	
Ruth F.	10	IA
	Father, J. A. Mitchell, born in IA	
	Mother, Agnes Lidle, born in IA	

1930 – Bloomfield Twp., Polk Co., IA; ED 77-95; Page 2A; April 9, 1930
Dwelling 24; Family 24

Mitchell, Alvin J.	56	Farmer	IA	IN	IA
Agnes D.	56		IA	IRE	IRE
Donald G.	18		IA	IA	IA
Ruth F.	15		IA	IA	IA

1940 – Bloomfield Twp., Polk Co., Iowa; ED77-9; Page 2A; April 8, 1940
House 30

Mitchell, Alvin J.	67	Farmer	IA
		In 1935 was living at Commerce, Iowa	
Agnes	66		IA
Elizabeth	32	Completed 4 th year college	IA
		Teacher	
Donald	22	Completed 4 th year college	IA
		Teacher	
Ruth	24	Completed 4 th year college	IA
		Teacher	

Funeral Home

Dunn's Funeral Home

Deaths

[The Des Moines Register, Monday, March 12, 1956, Page 21]

Mitchell – Services for Mrs. Alvin J. Mitchell, Monmouth, Illinois, formerly of Des Moines, will be Tuesday 1:00 p.m. at Dunn's Funeral Home. Interment at Pleasant Cemetery, Orillia. Flowers may be sent or contributions to memorial fund.

History of WarrenCounty, Iowa – 1908; Page 978

It may be truly said of Thomas Ledlie that he is more of an Iowan at heart than are those who were born here, for he chose this among all others as the state of his adoption while those who were born here had no choice in the matter, but can only ascribe it to their good fortune. Thomas Ledlie was born in County Armagh, Ireland, on September 28, 1844 and there he resided until he was twenty-five years of age, at which age he adventurously set forth to seek his fortune in the new world, and a home for a loyal heart which he left behind. He secured passage

on a combination steamship and sailing vessel from Queenstown, the journey thence to New York city occupying eighteen days. On landing in New York he came direct to Des Moines, Iowa, where he worked by the month for three years, with the exception of six months spent in Canada, which experience only served to convince him that Iowa was the place above all others in which to make his home. On September 10, 1868, was consummated the marriage of Mr. Ledlie and Miss Mary F. Lindsey, also born in County Armagh, Ireland, and who left her native home to join Mr. Ledlie in New York, where he had gone to meet her. There they were married and she came to her new home in Des Moines a bride.

With a mind keenly alert to the opportunities that presented themselves for acquiring a competence, Mr. Ledlie made his initial step in the purchase of an eighty acre tract of land, which is a part of his present holdings. On this he built a house, put up the necessary fencing, and made a home. He later bought sixty-one acres more, and continued to add to his property in small tracts from time to time until he now owns four hundred acres of valuable land on section 17, Allen Township. Here he has resided since 1873. He has greatly enhanced the value of his place through a system of underground drainage, in the construction of which he used three carloads of tile. Another valuable feature of the place is its excellent water system, for on it he has six wells and two springs running into tanks, from which the water is piped to the stock troughs, and he has also set up wind pumps. He has built a good barn and outbuildings, having everything most conveniently arranged for the handling of livestock, which he raises quite extensively. He has registered shorthorn cattle and Poland China hogs, his sales of the former running one to two carloads a year. He also owns a good grade of Norman horses.

Unto Mr. and Mrs. Ledlie have been born eight children, five of whom are living, as follows: Agnes D., is the wife of Alvin Mitchell, a farmer of Dallas County, this state. They have one child, Elizabeth. James D., a farmer of Polk County, married Miss Lydia Sheriff. They have three children, Frances, Edna and Alexander. Flora B. is the wife of John C. Sawhill, a farmer of Madison County. They have one child, Harold. Thomas L. and Frances G., who is a graduate of the Indianola high school, are at home with their parents. They have been called upon to mourn the loss of three of their children. Robert L. died at the age of one year; William died at the age of seven and Ethel at the age of ten months

In national politics Mr. Ledlie is a republican. Locally he supports the principles represented by the various candidates regardless of the party nominating them. He has served as township trustee for twelve years, a position which he holds at present. The cause of education has ever found in him a warm champion, and he has been treasurer of his school district for the past twenty years. Mr. and Mrs. Ledlie were reared in the United Presbyterian faith, her father, Robert Lindsey, having been a preacher in this faith for fifty years in one community. They are members of the Summerset United Presbyterian church on Scotch Ridge, of which Mr. Ledlie is an officer. It will be seen from the foregoing that Mr. and Mrs. Ledlie have been continuous residence of Scotch Ridge for nearly forty years, and, working hand in hand, have accumulated a large estate. They practically began life empty-handed, and by their thrift, industry and well directed efforts have placed themselves in a position of independence, and have given all of their children a good education. They are well known among the old settlers and have hosts of friends all over the county.

[The following is a portion of the history of Agnes Mitchell taken from the Ledlie Family.]

Agnes married Justus Alvin Mitchell, born May 16, 1873 in Polk Co., IA, on May 21, 1906 in Warren Co., IA. They lived on a farm west of the Des Moines Airport. Alvin was the Prohibition Party candidate for Iowa governor in 1938. Both Agnes and Alvin were active members of Westminister Presbyterian Church in Des Moines. Alvin died July 18, 1950 in Des Moines, and Agnes died in Monmouth, IL where she was living with her daughter, Ruth, a college teacher. They had four children, Willard Ledlie, born March 19, 1909 – July 16, 1916, Elizabeth Jean, born February 19, 1907 and is living in Denver, CO., Donald Gordon, born May 19, 1911 and living in Pittsburg, CA., Ruth Frances, born October 29, 1913 and living in Denver, CO. Elizabeth and Ruth are both retired school teachers and single. Donald married Bernice Laverne Garrison on December 28, 1939. They have one daughter, Donna Sue McGlaughlin. She and husband Benjamin have three children.

Misc.

[The Indianola Advocate, Thursday, March 29, 1906, Page 2]

A long article of the marriage of Miss Agnes Dora Ledlie to Justus A. Mitchell.

It is also mentioned in the Cumming News Items of the same paper of March 29, 1906 on page 6.