

ROACH, WILLIAM HENRY

Birth

August 18, 1869 in Henry Co.,
near Mt. Pleasant, Iowa



Death

April 7, 1938 at his home near
Cumming, Iowa

Certificate of Death
Madison Co., Iowa
No. J61-43



William Roach
Residence, R.F.D., Cumming, Iowa
Date of birth: August 18, 1869
Place of birth: Henry Co., Iowa
Date of death: April 7, 1938
Place of death: Lee Twp., Madison Co., Iowa
Age: 68yr 7mo 19da
Cause of death: Myocarditis with Nephritis
Occupation: Farmer
Married
Father: Charles A. Roach, born in Warren Co., Ohio
Mother: Amelia Henry, born in Warren Co., Ohio
Informer: Mrs. James Cross, Cumming, Iowa
Funeral Home: B. F. Gallaway, Norwalk, Iowa
Physician: George H. Watters, West Des Moines, Iowa

Cause of Death

A protracted illness, Myocarditis
Ref: Old Burial Permit

Cemetery Lot

Buried on Lot 71
Lot was purchased by Mr. Chapman on April 13, 1895

Father

Charles Allen Roach

Mother

Amelia Winfred Henry

Marriage

William H. Roach to Loretta E. Dooley on January 28, 1903
Ref: Book 11, page 227 of Polk Co., records on file at IGS Library

Return of marriage in the county of Polk for the year ending December 31, 1903
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License No. 14435
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William Roach
Residence: Madison Co., Iowa
Occupation: Farmer
Age next birthday: 34
1st marriage
Place of birth: Henry Co., Iowa
Father: Charles Roach
Mother; Amelia Henry

Married
January 28, 1903
Place of marriage: Valley Junction, Polk Co., Iowa

Ella Dooley
Residence: Madison Co., Iowa
Age next birthday: 27
1st marriage
Place of birth: Madison Co., Iowa
Father: James Dooley
Mother: Margaret Major
Witnesses: James Kelley and Eliza Dooley
Minister: Mathew Gleeson, Priest

Census

1870 – Jefferson Twp., Henry Co., Iowa; Page 260A; August 9, 1870
Dwelling 313; Family 298

Roach, Charles	41	farmer	OH
Amelia	35		OH
Elizabeth	15		IA
Charles	10		IA
John	07		IA

Emma J.	05		IA		
William	01		IA		

1880 – Bloomfield Twp., Polk Co., IA; ED163; Page 332B; June 25, 1880
 Dwelling 313; Family 322

Roach, Charles	51	laborer	OH	VA	VA
Amelia	44		OH	VA	VA
Elizabeth	22	seamstress	IA	OH	OH
John	17	laborer	IA	OH	OH
Emma J.	15		IA	OH	OH
William H.	11		IA	OH	OH
Arabella	06		IA	OH	OH

1885 – Lee Twp., Madison Co., Iowa; Page 217; Line 8
 Dwelling 44; Family 50

Roach, William	17		Henry Co., Iowa		
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1895 – Lee Twp., Madison Co., Iowa

Roach, William	25		Henry Co., Iowa		
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1900 – Lee Twp., Madison Co., IA; ED27; Page 3; June 6, 1900
 Dwelling 37; Family 37

Roach, William	30	farmer	IA	OH	OH
Bonny, Frank	15	servant - farm labor	NE	PA	NE

1905 – Madison Co., Iowa;

Roach, William	36	Married	IA		
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1910 – Lee Twp., Madison Co., IA; ED29; Page 3A; April 22, 1910
 Dwelling 39; Family 39

Roach, William	40		IA	IRE	IRE
Loretta	32		IA	WI	IA
Clara	05		IA	IA	IA
Albert	01	10/12	IA	IA	IA
Major, John		servant	IA	IRE	IRE

1915 – Lee Twp., Madison Co., Iowa; Post Office, Cumming, Iowa
 Card # 250

Roach, William	45	Farmer	IA	VA	OH
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1920 – Lee Twp., Madison Co., IA; ED 30; Page 2B; January 9, 1920
 Dwelling 40; Family 41

Roach, William	50	farmer	IA	OH	IA
Ellen L.	41		IA	CAN	IA
Clara	14		IA	IA	IA

Francis A.	12		IA	IA	IA
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1925 – Lee Twp., Madison Co., IA; Book 30; Line 28

Roach, Wm.	65		IA		
		Father, Charles Roach, born in OH			
		Mother, Amelia Henry, born in OH			
Ellen	47		IA		
		Father, M. J. Dooley, born in WI			
		Mother, Maggie Dooley, born in IA			
Clara	19		IA		
		Father, Wm. Roach, born in IA			
		Mother, Ellen Dooley, born in IA			
Albert F.	16		IA		
		Father, Wm. Roach, born in IA			
		Mother, Ellen Dooley, born in IA			

1930 – Lee Twp., Madison Co., IA; ED 11; Page 4A; April 14, 1930

Dwelling 67; Family 68

Roach, Albert F.	21	farmer	IA	IA	IA
William	60	father	IA	OH	OH
Ella	52	mother	IA	WI	IA
Cross, Clara B.	24	sister	IA	OH	IA

Obituary

[Indianola Herald, Wednesday, April 13, 1938, Page 8]

William Roach, son of Charles and Amelia Roach, was born in Henry County, near Mt. Pleasant, Iowa, August 18, 1869, and after a protracted illness, passed away at his home near Cumming, Iowa, April 7, 1938, at the age of 68 years, 7 months and 20 days.

He came with his parents from Henry county, Iowa to Des Moines when he was five years of age and there attended the public school.

He had lived on the same farm home where he died ever since he was 15 years of age.

On January 28, 1903, he was united in marriage to Ellen Dooley of Cumming, Iowa. To this union three children were born. The oldest child, Clarence, died when he was a year old. One daughter, Clara, Mrs. James Cross, lives at Perry, Iowa, and a son, Francis, at the farm home.

Mr. Roach was a member of the University Place Christian church in Des Moines.

He leaves to mourn his loss besides his wife, daughter and son, one brother, John Roach of Cumming, one sister, Mrs. Harry Allsup of Ft. Des Moines; a number of nephews and nieces, and a large number of other relatives and friends.

Mr. Roach throughout his boyhood and early manhood followed the occupation of farming, and was successful, and would have continued to be, but for a strange happening that came into his life. One day when he was about 40 years of age while stacking hay he fell from the top of the stack to the ground, falling on his back across the edge of a bucket. This caused an injury to his spine from which he never recovered. Later he was stricken with typhoid fever,

which intensified his trouble and resulted in making him an invalid for 28 years. Most of this time he was compelled to remain in bed.

Through this long illness Mr. Roach was patient, kind and considerate of all those who so willingly ministered to him.

Human life with all of its variations has its compensations. We all live in expectation and sometimes there come out of the darkest mysteries of life the sweetest benedictions. Mr. Roach has been released mercifully from his long time bondage of pain and disease. His earthly house has fallen, and joyfully his tenant spirit has gone home to be with Christ where there is no more pain.

The services were held in the Norwalk Church of Christ conducted by the Rev. A. N. Simpson. Interment was in the Orillia Cemetery.