

## A. CRAUN AND KATIE IRER AND L. IRER AND EMMA HAMMOND.

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A pretty wedding took place Thursday, November 30, at 12 o'clock, in the home of Mrs. Rose Graham, 102 Dibble street, this city, when Miss Katie Irer of Bengal and Mr. Alfred Craun of Riley, and Miss Emma Hammond of Olive and Mr. Louie Irer of Bengal were united in marriage by the Rev. J. H. Wilcox of the Methodist Episcopal church, in the presence of a few relatives. The brides were prettily gowned in brown messaline silk, and carried bride's roses. After the ceremony a five-course dinner was served to about sixteen. After spending a pleasant afternoon, Mr. and Mrs. Craun left amid showers of rice for their future home, where the groom has the house all furnished for his bride, and will begin housekeeping at once.

Mr and Mrs. Irer left in the evening, amid showers of rice, to spend several days with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hammond of Olive, after which they will commence housekeeping on a farm in Riley.

Both couples are highly esteemed young people of Bengal and Riley, and their friends join in wishing them a life of happiness and prosperity.

The guests from out of town were John Stiffler of near Fowler, Mrs. Arthur Chant of near Merle Beach, Miss Bessie Benton and Mr. Robert Irer of Bengal, and Mrs. Irene English and daughter Arleeta of Breckenridge, Mich.

## **CRESSMAN, DOROTHY M.**

### **St. Johns**

Age 84, died Sunday January 18, 1998. She was born June 4, 1913 in St. Johns; the daughter of Frank H. and Edna G. (Crom) Beck. She graduated from St. Johns High School in 1932, then attended Clinton County Normal and later graduated from Central Michigan University. On December 25, 1933 she married Almond B. Cressman in Greenbush Twp. Mrs. Cressman taught school in Clinton County, retiring from Gunnisonville School in 1974. She was an active member of First Congregational Church; Radiant Chapter #79 O.E.S. She is survived by her husband, Almond; son, Richard and Karen Cressman of St. Johns; 2 daughters, Connie and Russel Bauerle of DeWitt and Nancy and Gerald Myers of St. Johns; 11 grandchildren; and 14 great grandchildren; several nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by twin brothers, Gaylord and Maynard Beck. Funeral services will be held at Osgood Funeral Home on **Wednesday, January 21, 1998 at 3 p.m.** with Rev. Matt Olson officiating. Burial at Mt. Rest Cemetery. The family will receive friends on Monday 2-4 and 7:30-9 p.m. and on Tuesday 2-4 and 7-9 p.m. An O.E.S. service will be Monday evening at 7 p.m. Memorials may be made to Clinton County Home Health, the Diabetes Association, or the O.E.S.

*A brand-new baby has arrived so precious and so small...  
A little bit of heaven and the dearest gift of all!*



Name Kelsey Lynn Craft

Date February 19, 1992

Weight 6 lbs. 12 oz.

Length 21 1/2 "

Proud Parents Dennis & Lori Craft

## CULHAM, VERA L.

DeWitt



Vera L. Culham was reunited with her devoted husband, Robert, on August 24, 1998, who preceded her in death in March, 1997. Vera was born December 24, 1924,

the daughter of William and Ruth Foote in Milford, MI. Vera was a Legal Secretary for the Ingham County Probate Court for many years and received her PLS and was a past President of the Lansing Professional Legal Secretaries Association. Vera's main pleasure in life was her family and friends. She loved cooking wonderful dinners for her family and entertaining. She will be greatly missed and always in the hearts of her family and friends. She was preceded in death by her parents; husband, Robert; brother, William Foote; and great granddaughter, Amber. Surviving are her son, Bill (Dana) Culham; daughter, Judy (Jim) Mead; grandchildren, John and Elva Culham, Kim and Kam Behl, Ron, Jody and Tammy Walker; 4 great grandchildren. Funeral services will be held Thursday, August 27, 12 noon at the Gorsline-Runciman Co. DeWitt Chapel, 111 S. Franklin, DeWitt, with the Rev. George H. Ayoub, Pastor, officiating. Interment will follow in Deepdale Memorial Park, Lansing. Friends may call at the Chapel beginning Wednesday, 7 p.m., where the family will receive friends from 7-9 p.m. Those desiring may make contributions to Clinton Memorial Home Care, Clinton Memorial Hospital, 805 S. Oakland, St. Johns 48879, in memory of Mrs. Culham.

## **CUSHMAN, UNIS M.**

### **DeWitt**

Beloved mother, grandmother and great grandmother, passed away January 16, 1997, at the age of 97. Born October 13, 1899, in Mattawan, MI, she was preceded in death by her husband, Dr. Frank Cushman in 1939 and daughter, Mary Ann Lambert in 1993. Mrs. Cushman was a Registered Nurse practicing for many years in private duty. She was a member of the St. Lawrence McAuley League for over 65 years. She kept in close touch with her family and many friends through lovingly written letters and cards. We feel blessed to have had her in our lives for so many years. She will be missed by her children, Jim (Josette) Cushman of Georgia, Judith (Ben) Hutchison of DeWitt and Annice (William) Douglas of California; 13 grandchildren; and 17 great grandchildren. Funeral services will be held Saturday, January 18, 1 p.m. at the Gorsline-Runciman Co. DeWitt Chapel, 111 S. Franklin, with the Rev. Bernard L. Reilly, Pastor of St. Jude Catholic Church, officiating. Interment will be held in Mt. Hope Cemetery. The family will receive friends at the Chapel 1 hour prior to the service from 12 noon until 1 p.m. Those desiring may make contributions to Children's Specialized Health Services, 5303 S. Cedar Street, P.O. Box 30161, Lansing 48909, in memory of Mrs. Cushman.

## **CUSTARD, ZELLA SONORA**

### **Formerly of DeWitt**

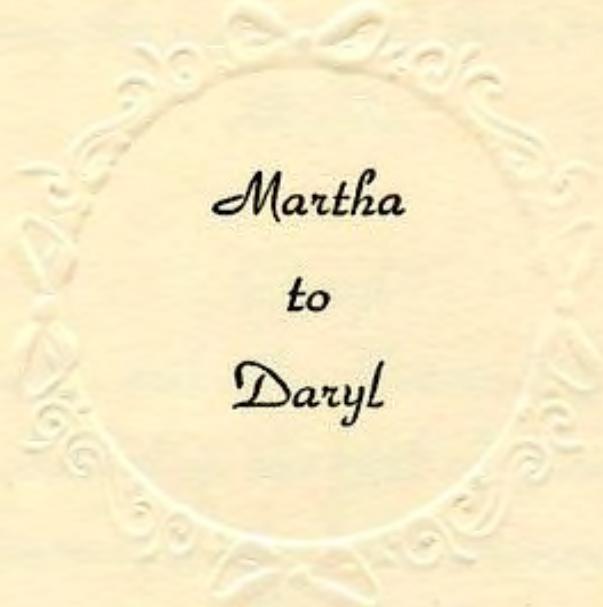
Age 84, died March 10, 1996. Born November 20, 1911 in Clinton, OK, Zella moved to DeWitt in 1938; and married Wesley Custard in 1945, who preceded her in death in 1954. She was a Teacher in Oklahoma and Michigan, and retired from Sears & Roebuck; was a member of Redeemer United Methodist Church of DeWitt, founding their first junior choir; a lifetime member of the Eastern Star and a Worthy Matron for 2 years. She was awarded the 1982 Citizen of the Year Award by DeWitt Twp. In 1989 she moved to Phoenix, AZ with her daughter and son-in-law, Alice and Wayne Bergin, who survive. Also surviving are children, Sandra Custard of Kansas City, MO, and Lewis (Gayle) of Lansing; 1 granddaughter, Elizabeth Custard. Memorial services will be held 10 a.m. Saturday, March 30, at Redeemer United Methodist Church, 1380 Schavey Rd., DeWitt.

CUTLER-RANDALL.

Wedding at Home of Bride's Grandparents in Riley.

Married at the home of the bride's grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Cook, in Riley Wednesday, December 24, Maud Randall and Mark Cutler, both of Riley. The ceremony was performed in the presence of sixty invited guests, mostly relatives, Rev. B. Bard of Lansing officiating. The groom wore the conventional black. The bride was tastefully attired in white silk and carried white roses. The groomsmen were George Pike and Frank Love. The bridesmaids were Edna Randall, sister of the bride, and Lillian Cutler, sister of the groom. Miss Randall was attired in blue and Miss Cutler white, both wore roses. The house was decorated with holly and evergreen. The ceremony was performed at high noon. After congratulations a bountiful dinner was served to all. Mr. and Mrs. Cutler were the recipients of many useful and valuable presents. They will make their home in Lansing.

Among the guests were G. L. Plowman, Lillian Cutler of Iron Mountain; L. L. Plowman and wife of Grand Ledge; Ethel Plowman, Nina Cutler of Ypsilanti and Annie Martzke of Lansing.



*Martha*

*to*

*Daryl*

Mr. and Mrs. Neil R. Cutler  
request the honor of your presence  
at a Reception

following the marriage of their daughter  
Martha

to

Daryl

son of Mr. and Mrs. Donald J. Reed

Saturday, the fifth of June

Nineteen hundred and seventy-one

at ~~five~~<sup>two</sup> o'clock

DeWitt Memorial Building

West Washington Street

DeWitt, Michigan

# 91 YEARS OF AGE

MRS. VIENNA CUTLER DEAD IN  
WATERTOWN.

## BEEN IN COUNTY 62 YEARS

WAS AUTHORITY ON INDIAN  
LORE OF LOCAL TRIBES.

Was One of Five Generations Living  
at One Time—Survived by Many  
Lineal Descendants.

By the death of Mrs. Vienna Cutler, which occurred November 29th, 1909, Watertown loses one of its oldest pioneers.

Vienna Wright was born at Springfield, Massachusetts, Oct. 28th, 1818, and was married to David R. Cutler Dec. 20th, 1835. They moved to Watertown, Clinton county, Mich., 62 years ago, settling on section 4, when it was a wilderness. The husband passed away Feb. 22nd, 1892. Mrs. Cutler was past 91 years old at the time of her death. Six children were born to them, Ann and Alice dying a number of years ago. Four children are living—Henry R. Cutler of Watertown, Elam W. Cutler of Riley, Mrs. Lucy Plowman of Iron Mountain, Mich., and Mrs. Perciss Jones of Marion, Mich., besides 16 grandchildren, 27 great-grandchildren and 6 great-great-grandchildren.

Her health had been very good until about two years ago when the infirmities of age kept her most of the time indoor. Up to that time she took long railway journeys to visit her relatives and was just as independent in getting about as women 50 years younger.

She often amused the younger members of the Cutler family by her stories of early days and she was an authority on Indian lore of the old tribes that roamed through this portion of the State.

The funeral was held at her old home here that she loved so well, and was largely attended. The sermon was delivered by Miss Abbie Sheets of Grand Ledge and interment made in South Riley cemetery beside her husband.

# Death Takes Oldest Of Five Generations



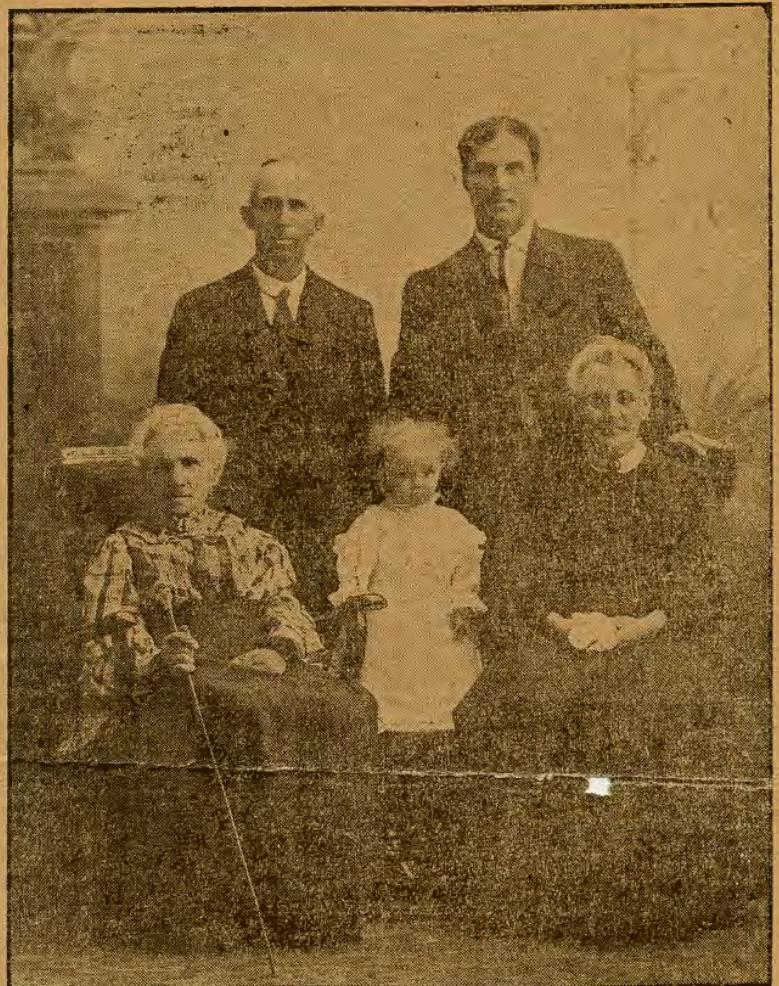
W. R. Jones.  
Mrs. Vienna Cutler.

Veda Jones.

Earl Jones.  
Mrs. Persis Jones.

In the death of Mrs. Vienna Cutler at her home in Watertown township last week the above line of five generations was broken. Mrs. Cutler, was 91, her daughter, Mrs. Jones, is 72; W. R. Jones is a son of Mrs. Jones, Earl Jones is his son and Veda is the latter's daughter. The Joneses all reside in Osceola county.

## FIVE GENERATIONS, AT HEAD OF WHICH IS MRS. VIENNA CUTLER



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MRS. VIENNA CUTLER AND DESCENDANTS.

In the present age of hustle, hurry and worry, representatives of five generations, all living and enjoying good health, is a particularly rare thing, yet Mrs. Vienna Cutler, one of the oldest residents of South Riley, is at the head of five generations and of two others from which, however, some of the younger members have died.

Mrs. Cutler is 91 years of age, and her daughter, Mrs. Persis Jones, 70. Mrs. Jones' son, W. R. Jones, and his son, Earl Jones, and the young man's daughter, Veda, aged two years, complete the five generations. The Jones' members all reside in Osceola county.

Mrs. Cutler was born in Massachusetts and came with her husband when they were both quite young, to Michigan, settling on some land Mr. Cutler took up at South Riley. Here they underwent all the hardships and toils of early land breakers, and with but few neighbors except Indians, hewed a home out of the great Michigan wilderness.

Six children, four daughters and two sons, were born to them. The husband and two daughters are now deceased.

Mrs. Cutler still resides on the old homestead, but sleeps nights at the home of her son, E. W. Cutler, who lives just across the road. Her love for the old home that she and her husband labored so hard for in their early wedded life becomes dearer to her each year, and she spends all the time she can in it.

Her health had been very good up

until a year or so ago, and she took long walks after berries, or in fact did any thing almost that she wished, taking long railway journeys to visit relatives and was just as independent in getting about as women 50 years her junior.

She often amuses the younger members of the Cutler generation by her stories of early days, and she is an authority on Indian lore of the old tribes that roamed through this portion of the state.

The aged woman is a grandmother of Marcus C. Cutler, letter carrier at station A, of this city, and frequently visits him, taking great delight in two healthy little great grandsons in the letter carrier's family.

Mrs. Cutler is still very cheerful and happy. She retains all her faculties, but is now slightly lame. Perfectly contented, she is waiting for the end when the reward which she has always had faith in awaits those who have feared God and tried to keep his commandments.