

Ella'seth Ann White, daughter of Thaddeus and Hetsey White, was born in Perquimans county, North Carolina, February 22, 1839, died Aug. 9, 1917, age 78 years, 5 months and 17 days. Her parents moved from North Carolina in 1841 to Indiana and settled in Henry county near Knightstown. Living there six years they moved to Howard county and settled near what is now West Middleton, on the farm where her nephews, John T. and Charles A. White, live, and at that time the home place was almost an unbroken forest. She received most of her education in the New London schools, was a lifelong member of the Friends church. She was converted in early womanhood and was a faithful attendant of church and Sabbath school, when health and opportunity afforded, and her voice was often heard in prayer and testimony, witnessing to the love and keeping power of Jesus. For several months this dear sister had been in declining health, bedfast only ten days, but wonderfully weak, but yet was desirous to speak to each of her many friends that visited her in her sickness until the last night. She was in silent prayer much and ever ready and desirous to join the dear ones on the Heavenly Shore, and in the early morn on Thursday, Aug. 10th, her freed spirit took its flight heavenward about half-past 8 o'clock at the home of her widowed sister, Ella Chambers, near Lynn church, two miles east of Russiaville, where she had been making her home. Her life was a quiet one, and she was watchful and anxious to help those in need. Two elder sisters and a brother—Margaret J. King of Council Grove, Kas., Abigail Johnson of Reserve, and Alpheus White of West Middleton—passed away in the few years past, and one grown brother, Samuel P., died in December, 1888, in Henry county. Three children died in infancy. Out of a family of ten children only two are living, Hattie S. Garner and Ella Chambers. The funeral was held at Lynn and was conducted, by her request, principally by S. P. Talbert assisted by the pastors of the Lynn church, Martilla and Mary Cox, and Margaret Caster, pastor of Reserve church. The flowers were in abundance furnished by loving hands. The singing was conducted by the Lynn choir. After the services the remains of the dear departed one were taken and laid in the New London cemetery. Two sisters with many nephews and nieces are left to mourn their loss. Yet how consoling the promise, "Precious in the sight of God, is the death of his saints."