

Miriam Campbell Obituary

(as submitted by Norvin Pearce)

The passing to the home land of Mrs. Miriam Campbell takes from Arnold one of there pioneer citizens: Mrs. Campbell attended the Patriotic services at the Park on the morning of the Fourth of July. Sat in the front row where she listened with delight to the music and the address by her pastor, Rev. Connely. In the afternoon she entertained her former neighbor, Mrs. Margaret Pinkston, and at eight o'clock drove down town with her son and wife to hear the band concert. About midnight, she complained of feeling weak, and her son called the family physician, but before he arrived Mrs. Campbell had left her tenement of Clay and entered the celestial city to be forever with her Lord. Mrs. Campbell had lived in Custer Co. for 44 years and endured the privations and hardship incident to pioneer life with courage and fortitude. She had many friends who will miss her kindly smile and word.

The funeral services were held at the Methodist Church & were attended by a large concourse of sorrowing relatives and friends. The Rev. Connely, her beloved pastor had charge of the services.

Miriam Chilcote was born in Penn. On March 14, 1837 and died at Arnold July 5, 1928. She was 91 years, 3 months and 21 days. May 29, 1859 she married Hiram Leach. To this union four children were born, of whom three, R.C. of Santa Anna, Cal., J.R. of Lantry, S.D., and Mrs Carie Van Horn of Nemo. S.D. survive their mother.

On Dec. 15, 1873, she was united in marriage to T.W. Campbell and bore him three children of whom only her son, Leo Campbell of Arnold survives. The two daughters both died. She also leaves 20 Grand children, 25 great grand children, and many loving friends.