

Joel Spaulding Yeaton 1823-1900

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Died - at his home south of Lyons Saturday, Oct, 13, 1900 Joel S. Yeaton, aged 77 years, 3 months and 28 days.

Thus one by one those gray haired pioneers are passing down to the silent aisles of death. Those brave, heroic men who went forth in the spring time of their years, in the morning of their lives to conquer the wild and uninhabited prairies of the west and made it possible for us to enjoy the bountiful blessings which stretch forth around us on every hand. Honor to them! And may the memory of their eventful lives remain with us for years to come as guiding landmarks and shining examples for the rising generations.

This noble man has gone. And the richest crown of immortality marks and everlasting glory surely awaits him in that land of eternal peace and happiness where sorrow is unknown and partings are no more.

Joel Yeaton was born June 3, 1823 and settled on the farm where he died, in 1869.

The funeral services were held at the Presbyterian church in Lyons Tuesday afternoon, Rev. A.L. Gray preaching the sermon, his text being "We spend our years as a dream that is past." The pall bearers were: Gideon Fritts, W.G. Waite, Lewis Piper, J.D. Mann, J. Shumway and Andrew Everett. The remains were followed to the Lyons cemetery by a large concourse of sorrowing friends.

He was one of the founders of the little old Presbyterian church now owned by Rev. A. W. Hobson, the Man in Red, and he lived to do a vast amount of good work for the betterment of mankind.

A widow and five children are left to mourn his departure. The children are Elias of Spalding, Neb.; Melvin and Mrs. T.S. Ramey of Grand Junction, Colo., Zelotus D. and Edgar of this place.

The Mirror extends its deepest sympathies to the bereaved relatives.
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