

Mrs. Mary M. Boyd, (28 Sep 1832 – 12 Feb 1901), Newport News, February 14, 1901

Mrs. **Mary M. Boyd**, widow of **W.H. Boyd**, died of organic heart trouble at 12 o'clock Tuesday noon, at her home, Fifth and Market streets. She had been ill for about ten years and seriously so at intervals since last fall. She had been expecting death, having prepared her own shroud about three years ago, and having lived a long, Christian life she had no fear when the summons came to go hence.

On Monday she was down stairs and declined the pre-offered aid of her sons to help her back to her bedroom on the second floor, to which she walked unaided, but for the last time. Her death was quite peaceful, she having quietly slept away.

She was born in Center Township about two miles south of New Bloomfield, September 28, 1832. She and Mr. Boyd were married September 15, 1853. He died August 28, 1864. She was the mother of six children, only three of whom are living, namely; **James W. Boyd** and **William A. Boyd**, of this place, and **Mrs. M.H. Hopple**, of Harrisburg. She leaves 18 grandchildren and these brothers and sisters; **M.L. Cless**, of Rossville, Kansas; **John Cless** of Alinda, Perry County, Pa.; Mrs. **George Cless**, **Mrs. Margaret Cox** and **Mrs. Catharine Klinger**, of this place (Newport).

Mrs. Boyd was a member of the Lutheran church for over 40 years and her pastor, Rev. J. Henry Harms, assisted by Rev. E.G. Baker, of the M.E. church, will conduct the funeral services at the house this afternoon at 2 o'clock: interment in Newport Cemetery.

www.theperryhistorians.org