

Iva (Harbin) Charles, (12 Jul 1870 – 12 Nov 1946), The Metz Times, November 22, 1946, Metz, MO; Body Returned For Burial

The body of **Mrs. Iva Charles**, who passed away at the home of a daughter in Denver, Colo., November 12, arrived in Rich Hill last Friday morning and funeral services were held from the Metz Baptist church at 2 o'clock Sunday afternoon, conducted by Rev. J. H. Topass, pastor of the Baptist church in Rich Hill. Burial was by the side of the husband in Balltown Cemetery. **Mr. Charles** preceded her in death four and one-half years.

A mixed quartet composed of L. A. Robinson, H. J. Finch, Mrs. Bill Breneman and Mrs. E. V. Chatman, with Mrs. Lila Lawrence at the piano, sang "Beautiful Isle," "Will the Circle be Unbroken" and "Rock of Ages." "Does Jesus Care" was rendered as a solo by Forrest Byam.

The pallbearers were **Irl Hudson, John Baird, Otis Winterbottom, Henry Ransom, John Morbris** and b.

Iva, the daughter of **J. W.** and **Mary F. Harbin**, was born near Metz July 12, 1870. Her entire life was spent in this community with the exception of the past few years she lived in Colorado.

On October 15, 1887 she was united in marriage to **William Edward Charles**. To this union seven children were born, all of whom survive. They are **Mrs. Cora Defebaugh** of Hume, **Mrs. Mae Reed** of Spangle, Wash., **Mrs. Mollie Smith** and **Mrs. Addie Stackhaus** of Denver, Colo., **Mrs. Ruby Knisley** and **Charley Charles** of Independence and **W. S. Charles** of Metz. Also surviving are two sisters, **Mrs. Anna Oakley** and **Mrs. Lola B. Edwards** of Portland, Ore.; one brother, **Dick Harbin**, of Englewood, Calif and eight grandchildren and eight great grandchildren. One sister and three brothers preceded her in death.

Mrs. Charles united with the Baptist Church in August 1915, and throughout her life has been ever faithful to her Master.