

Mary Emma (Swartz) Fritz, (30 Sep 1866 – 15 May 1920), Peoples Advocate and Press, May 19, 1920, New Bloomfield

Mary Emma, beloved wife of **George E. Fritz**, died at her home in this place Saturday evening of last week after an illness of brief duration, although she had been in failing health for some time past. Her death was due to breaking of an abscess with attendant profuse hemorrhage. She bore her suffering uncomplainingly and passed out assured of blessed immortality beyond.

The deceased was a daughter of the late **Levi and Jane (Wilson) Swartz**, and was born in this place September 30, 1866, and at her death was aged 53 years, 6 months, and 15 days. She passed her girlhood here and on January 2, 1890, was united in wedlock with **George E. Fritz**, then a resident of Centre Township, the Rev. Charles Flickinger officiating. Her early married life was spent on the Fritz homestead near this place, and later with **Mr. Fritz** came to this place, where some years later they built a fine home. December 13, 1913, with the family she moved to Harrisburg where they resided until five weeks ago when they came here to make their home with **Mr. George W. Fritz**, an uncle of her husband, who had recently been bereft of his wife. Shortly after coming here her health began to fail with death resulting as above stated.

Besides her husband, **Mrs. Fritz** leaves an only son, **Tolbert F. Fritz** of Harrisburg, and the following brothers and sisters; **Annie, Mrs. Mahon Moist**, of Horningford, Pa.; **Margaret, Mrs. A.D. Clark**, of Philadelphia; **Edwin Swartz**, of Longfellow, Pa.; **Effie, Mrs. H.M. Souder**, of Lancaster, Pa.; **Frank Swartz**, of Akron, Ohio, and **Fannie, Mrs. H.H. Hain**, of Harrisburg.

Mrs. Fritz had been a consistent member of the Lutheran Church since girlhood and lived with her religion, being active in every good word and work. She was a devoted wife and mother and a true and faithful friend.

Funeral services were held at her late residence, this morning, Rev. J.W. Weeter, of Christ Lutheran Church officiating. Interment was made in the family burial plot in the cemetery of this place.