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Wayne, and Joe McCoy of Dayton, Ohio. Four grandchildren survive her, besides her husband and children.

Funeral services were held in the United Brethren church in North Manchester, Indiana. Rev. S. M. Hill led the prayer, Rev. B. H. Cain gave a brief life history, Rev G. T. Rosselot gave the sermon, Rev. and Mrs. E. M. Cornelius and the local church furnished the music.

## MRS. O. B. WELLS

Mrs. Elva H. Wells, widow of the late Rev. O. B. Wells, died November 15, 1942, at the home of her sister, Mrs. Emma Strickler, in North Manchester, Indiana.

She was born near Laketon, Indiana, February 28, 1860. She married Rev. Wells November 15, 1883. Mr. Wells was a minister of the United Brethren church for many years, having preceded her in death 19 years ago.

Surviving are four children, seventeen grandchildren, and seven greatgrandchildren. The funeral was held at the United Brethren church in North Manchester, Indiana, With Reverend Noah McCoy and Rev. E. M. Cornelius conducting the service. Burial was in the Silver Lake cemetary.

## REVEREND LAURA B. CLINE

Rev. Laura B. Cline was born in Boone County, Indiana, September 20, 1873, and passed to her crowning from Tyner, Indiana August 26, 1943.

While a girl in her teens she was converted and immediately joined the Methodist Church in Mechanicsburg, Indiana. She completed the three year theological course at Taylor University and then spent seven years in evangelistic work in the Methodist Church.

In 1910 she transferred her membership to the United Brethren Church at Frankfort, Indiana. Desiring to enter the pastorate she attended the St. Joseph Conference, held at South Bend and was assigned to the Gilboa Charge. It was while on this charge that she met Miss Ethel Hollingsworth and surely it was by devine appointment that they became friends like Elijah and Elisha, or David and Jonathan. From then on they served charges together, Montmorenci, Walkerton, Syracuse, Greentown, Grass Creek, Pyrmont, Union Chapel and Warsaw Circuit. Because of ill health Miss Cline withdrew from active work in 1939, and in the annual conference of 1942 she took retired relationship. Even though her strength was failing she continued to be helpful and interested in the work as Miss Hollingsworth served the Jefferson and Tyner Charges.

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Funeral services were held in the Tyner United Brethren Church with Dr. B. H. Cain preaching the sermon, with Rev. C. A. Sickafoose, Rev. N. E. Tillman and Rev. Florence Ducker assisting. Interment was made in Greenlawn Cemetery at Frankfort, Indiana, with Rev. Mrs. Risley in charge.

Rev. Miss Cline was a woman of stable and positive character with deep convictions and a spiritual mind. The outstanding objective of her life was to win souls for Christ.

## REVEREND GEORGE E. LUKE

Rev. George E. Luke passed to his reward from his home in Elkhart, Indiana, on January 14, 1943. He was born August 20, 1859, in Selinsgrove, Pennsylvania, and was brought to Elkhart when an infant by his parents, Franklin and Mollie Luke. He was a machinist in the Lake Shore shops