

Hundreds Attend Robertson Funeral

Monteau Countians Pay Last Re-
spects to 80 Year Old Resident
At Services Sunday

Hundreds of Monteau Countians gathered Sunday afternoon at the old Union Church between High Point and Tatham to pay their last respects to a beloved citizen, Mrs. Catharine Robertson who died early Saturday morning at her home in Enon after a lingering illness. The church, of which she was the last surviving charter member, was crowded to the utmost with friends who had long known and respected her as "Grandma" Robertson. Beautiful floral offerings surrounded the casket which was borne to rest in the Union cemetery beside the grave of her husband, the late N. Jasper Robertson who died in 1912.

Six Grandsons, Harold and Raymond Ziebold, Paul and Clyde Robertson, Carter Robertson and Max Wetzel, were pallbearers. Flower girls, who were also granddaughters were, Mrs. Harold Ziebold, Miss Eula Robertson, Mrs. Paul Robertson, Miss Ruby Robertson, Mary Catherine Robertson, and Marjorie and Bonnie Lee Ziebold.

The services were conducted by the Rev. A. L. Alexander of Eldon, with simple rites at the home in Enon, and final services at the church and grave. Two quartettes, composed of Louis Reichart, James Elliott, Doc Reichart and Edgar Bolin, and O. M. Lovell, Lawrence McGinnis, J. H. Jeffries, Harold Griffin, sang beautiful old hymns that had been her favorites.

Mrs. Robertson was born at Russellville, October 21, 1844, a daughter of Joseph and Jane Russell. Her father was the first merchant of that well-known Cole County town which has since been named Russellville. In August, 1862 she married N. J. Robertson, later presiding Judge of Monteau County Court. Eleven children were born to this union, seven of whom survive. They are Mrs. Grace Wetzel, Miss Rose Robertson of Enon, Judge J. S. Robertson of California, Charles and James Robertson of Russellville, Mrs. Smerida Graser of Riverside, Calif., and Mrs. Jake Crome of Nevada, Mo. Twenty-eight grandchildren, and twenty-one great grandchildren also survive her.

During her girlhood she united with the Union Christian Church and has been a member of the church since.

In paying tribute to her memory the Rev. Alexander said, "All who loved loyalty of friendship, devotion to duty and a high sense of honor were irresistibly drawn to her wonderful personality. She was a good Christian woman."

For the past eight years Mrs. Robertson and her daughter, Miss Rose had made their home in Enon. At one time, from 1872 to 1883 the Robertsons made their home in Clarksburg. During that time Judge J. S. Robertson, then a boy, attended school in California, making his home with his grandparents, the Russells.