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COOPER, HARRIET (FREDERICK)

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Harriet Frederick was born on May 9, 1831 at Harrimans, formerly called Turners, New York. She grew to young womanhood here.

In 1848, Harriet Frederick married Josiah Cooper of New York State. Shortly after their marriage they moved to Pennsylvania and later to Newburgh, New York where they lived for many years.

In 1855, they came to Shakopee, Minnesota where they lived until after the close of the Civil War. Here Harriet (Frederick) Cooper endured the hardships of the early settlers during the Indian outbreak. Josiah Cooper took part in putting down the uprising here. After the close of the war they came with their family to Sauk Centre. Here they settled on a homestead just east of Westpart, but later moved into Sauk Centre.

Josiah and Harriet (Frederick) Cooper had seven children, only five of whom are living. They are: C. H. Cooper, living on the homestead in Westport; Mrs. Jame A. Vessey; Mrs. L. W. Gilman; J. Fred Cooper; and Mrs. Frank S. Parker, all of Sauk Centre. There are twelve grandchildren, ten great grandchildren, and five great great grandchildren.

Harriet (Frederick) Cooper was a member of the First Congregational Church of Sauk Centre for nearly forty years, becoming a member in 1890. She was actively interested in the church.

Harriet (Frederick) Cooper died on July 3, 1929. She is buried in Greenwood Cemetery beside her husband who died on November 3, 1905.

Interviewed: Mrs. Frank S. Parker
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FROM THE RECORDS IN THE STEARNS COUNTY COURT HOUSE

FOR THE HARRIET (FREDERICK) COOPER BIOGRAPHY

DEATH RECORD BOOK V. PAGE 26 LINE 571

Mrs. Harriet Cooper Born in New York. May 9, 1831

Daughter of Jacob Frederick and Catherine Stevens

Died July 3, 1929

Age 98 years 1 month and 24 days

DEATH RECORD BOOK B. PAGE 71 LINE 3

Josiah Cooper Born in New York August 31, 1838

Son of Josiah Cooper and Hannah Ellis

Died November 3, 1905

Age 77 years 3 months and 2 days