

# Independence, Minnesota

Deaths recorded 1881

A partial list

Submitted by Eugene Barnes

Date of Death	Name of deceased
January 12, 1881	<b>Elmer Root</b> , male, white, single, 5m 4d, born MN. Parents, Thomas Root of NY and Mary Root of Indiana. Registered May 30, 1881
February 11, 1881	<b>Elma Batdorf</b> , female, white, single, 23d, born MN, of Membrane cough. parents, Barton Batdorf of Indiana and Jennet Batdorf of Ohio, registered May 30, 1881.
February 11, 1881	<b>Perry Perkins</b> , male, white, 2y 10m, born Minn. of Inflammation of the bladder. parents, William Perkins of NC, and Ellen ? of Indiana. registered Dec 23, 1881
February 27, 1881	<b>Woodward, Halley (Holley) C.</b> female, white, 6m 29d, born Minn., of Bronchitis. parents, Stephen Woodward of Ohio, and Phebe Woodward of Ill. recorded December 26, 1881.
March 12, 1881	<b>Whitman, Charles Edward</b> , male, white, single, 12y 9d, born Maine, came to Minn March 1879, of Scarlet Fever. parents Ezekial Whitman and Lydia F. Whitman of Maine, registered Dec 23, 1881.
June 4, 1881	<b>Bowen, Archie</b> , male, white, single, 14y, born Minn. Disease or cause of death "abcess". Father Herbert Bowen, place of birth Maine and Florence Bowen, place of birth Minn. Registered August 20, 1881 (Note: Information from family bible gives age of this child as 13 yrs. Contact Carole Wilcox) <a href="mailto:cwilcox64@adelphia.net">cwilcox64@adelphia.net</a>
June 20, 1881	<b>Rader, Oceola</b> , male, white, single, 21y 10m, born Minn., of Consumption. parents, Washington Rader of Indiana and Ann Rader of England. Registered December 26, 1881

July 8, 1881	<b>Rudd, Oliver Herbert</b> , male, white, single, 19y 8m, born Indiana, came to Minn. 1865, of inflammation of bowels. parents, Henry Rudd of Ohio, and Eiza A. Rudd of Indiana. registered Dec 23, 1881
August 29, 1881	<b>McDonald, Alexander</b> , male, white, 13y, 6m, 5d, born Nova Scotia, of Inflammation of stomach. parents, W. or J. C. McDonald, and E.A. McDonlad of Nova Scotia, registered Dec 26, 1881.
September 27, 1881	<b>Root, Coleman</b> , male, white, 5m 4d, born Minn. parents, Francis Root of NY and Mary Root of Indiana, registered Dec 23, 1861. (Caveat-a straight black line has been drawn through the entire entry as if stricken, including the item number and date).
September 27, 1881	<b>Tysner, Auton</b> , male, white, single, 18y 2m, 5d, born Iowa, arrived Minn. March 1879, of Inflammation of the stomach. parents Alexander and Mary Tysner of Prussia. registered Dec 26, 1881
October 12, 1881	<b>Chapman, Evette</b> , female, white, 7m 8d, born Minn., of Typhoid. parents Joseph and Alice Chapman of Indiana, registered, Dec 23, 1881
Dec 23, 1881	<b>Decker, William</b> , male, white, single, 37y, 3m, 13d, born Ill., came to Minn. Aug 1866, of bleeding from a wound in the foot; occupation, tanner, parents, John Decker of PA., and Ellouer (Elloner) Of PA. registered Dec 13, 1881.

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February 26, 1882 **Brondon/Brandon**, Nancy West, female, white, married, 50y, 1m, 25d, born MO., Arrived Minn. June 6, 1866, of abcess in head; parents, John R. McGary and Jarusha of Kentucky. registered Dec 27, 1882

March 10, 1882 **Whitman, Lydia E.**, female, white, married, 41y, 6m, 28d, born Maine, arrived Minn. March 21, 1878, of measles. parents, John P. Barnes and Bethia (Behthia) of Maine, recorded Dec 29, 1882. (her middle name may have been Eleanor Frances, but she appears in census as Lydia F Whitman (transcribers note)

April 13, 1882 **Jacobs, Mathias**, male, white, single, 21y, 7m, born Minn., of Diptheria. occ. farmer, parents Mathew and Lucy Jacobs of Germany. recorded Dec 17, 1882

April 14, 1882 **Chapman, Joseph**, male, white, married, 34y, 11m, 19d, born Indiana, arrived Minn. 1871, of Consumption. Occ. farmer. parents John Chapman of Ohio, and Mary Chapman of New York. registered Dec 29, 1882.

May 9, 1882 **Budd, Phoebe**, female, white, married, 37y, born Indiana, came to Minn. 1880, of Typhoid/Pneumonia. parents Henry Adams and Mary Adams of Kentucky. registered Dec 2, 1882.

June 13, 1882 **Hildebrand, Roselia**, female, white 9y, 8d, born Ind., arrived Minn Sept 21, 1880, of Diptheria. parents, Gustaveus and Florantine Hildebrand of Germany. registered Dec 27, 1882.

June 21, 1882 **Rea, James W**, male, white, single, 26y, 26d, born Nova Scotia, arrived Minn June 1, 1878, occ. Mason, of Typhoid Fever. parents, Johnathan Rea of Nova Scotia, and Jennie Rea of Schotland (Scotland?). registered Dec 29, 1892.

July 6, 1882 **Smith, Ansia**, female, white, married, 36y 26d, born NY. Arrived Minn April 1868, of Typhoid Fever. parents, Thomas Duggan of Ireland and Charlotte Duggan of NY.

July 16, 1882	registered Dec 29, 1882. <b>Duggan, Thomas</b> , male, white, single, 23y, 11m, 14d, born NY. Arrived Minn April 1868, occ. farmer, of Thypoid Fever. parents, Thomas Duggan of Ireland and Charlotte Duggan of NY. registered Dec 29, 1882.
September 18, 1872	<b>Klappnick, Frank</b> , male, white, 5m 8d, born Minn. of "Tnsls"?, parents Frank Klappnic of Wis., and Mary of Minn. registered Dec 27, 1882.
October 9, 1882	<b>Washington, Henry</b> , male, colored, single, 1m 15d, born Minn. of spasms. parents, George Washington of Virginia, and Phoeba Washington of Ohio. registered Dec 27, 1882.
December 25, 1882	<b>Brown, Sophia J.</b> , female, white, widow, 65y, 9m, born Virginia. recorded Jan 2, 1883.
December 30, 1882	<b>Brown, Edward</b> , male, white, single, occ. Brakeman, run over by car, head severed from body. registered Jan 2, 1883.

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Date of Death	Name of deceased
February 1, 1883	<b>Aumner/Dumner/Sumner, John R.</b> male, white, married, 35y, laborer, Killed by being run over by the cars. Name of wife and parents omitted. registered July 25, 1883.
February 27, 1883	<b>Barns, John P</b> , male, white, married, 71y 8m, born Maine, arrived Minn. Jan 1872, of Can(s)er and Dropsy. parents, Nathaniel Barns and Jane Barns of Maine. registered

April 15, 1883	<p>July 25, 1883.</p> <p><b>Hutchinson, James</b>, male, white, single, 38y, born Nova Scotia, arrived Minn. 1868. occ. farmer, of Small Pox. parents, William Hutchinson and Grissel Hutchinson of New York. recorded July 25, 1883.</p>
July 9, 1883	<p><b>PagenKoff, Lizzie</b> female, white, single, 1y 5d, born Minn. by drowning. parents John and Corine (Connie) of Illinois. registered, July 25, 1883.</p>
August 2, 1883	<p><b>Gaspar, Theodore</b>, male, white, married, 57y, 9m, born Germany, a farmer, of Consumption. parents born Germany. recorded Dec 27, 1883.</p>
August 24, 1883	<p><b>Smith, Lincoln</b>, male, white, single, 9y, 9m, 7d. born Minnesota of Basilar Meningitis. parents, George W. Smith of New York, and Hammet (Harriet?) Smith of NJ. recorded Dec 24, 1883.</p>
October 13, 1883	<p><b>Detco, Albert</b>, male, white, married, 41y, 5m, born Germany. Arrived Minn. July 1874. occ. farmer, of Consumption. parents born Germany. recorded Dec 31, 1883.</p>
November 28, 1883	<p><b>Weidenbach, Alexander</b>, male, white, single, 1y 9m, born Minn. of Diptheria. parents, Adolph and Cecelia Weidenbach of Germany. registered Dec 27, 1883.</p>
December 20, 1883	<p><b>McCord, Charles R.</b>, white, male, single, 18y 13d, born Ind. Arrived Minn. 1882. occ. laborer, of inflammation of the bladder. Parents Robert McCord and Mary McCord of Indiana. recorded Dec 24, 1883.</p>

## Independence, Minnesota Deaths

Recorded 1908, 1909, and 1910

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## 1908-1909

May 10, 1908: \* **Emily Turnham**, female, w, widowed, 83 y, of Virginia, of old age, parents John Maxwell of Scotland and Rachel Stone of Virginia. Recorded May 11, 1908.

May 14, 1908: **Nels P. Lindstrom**, male, married 68 y 6m 13 d, from Sweden of Cerebral Hemhorage; cabinet maker, he and parents brn Sweden. recorded May 15, 1908.

May 29, 1908: \* **Edna Mae Batdorf**, female, w, 4 m 21 d, of MN, of Bronchial pneumonia, parents George Batdorf and Barbara Roeke, of Maple Plain, recorded May 30, 1908.

June 5, 1908: **Sarah Francis Collins**, female, married, 41 y 7 m 1 d, of Cheny, Ohio, tuberucolosis of lungs, house wife, parents; Jane Clark of Ohio, Alfred Clark of PA, recorded June 8, 1908.

Nov. 9, 1908: **Vernon Wm. Justice**. male, of MN, single, 1 m 14 d, of general weakness  
and bad cow's milk, parents, James Justice of MN, and Caroline Zibarth of MN, recorded Nov. 11, 1908.

Nov. 9, 1908: **Lucua Kuka**, male, married, 72 y 24 d, of Mycate Endrocarditis, ...following mitral congestion of the heart.. nephritis, farmer, parents; Jacob Kuka of Sweden and Suffy Gakua of Germany, recorded Nov. 17, 1908.

Nov. 16, 1908: **John S. Wallin**, male, widowed, 61 y 2m 29 d, of Sweden, farmer, of complication of heart nephritis, parents Andrew and Mary Wallin of Sweden, recorded Nov 17, 1908.

Dec. 26, 1908: **Mary S. Zyllo**, (Zylle?) female, married, 24 y 4m 20d, of Wright Co. MN, housewife, of Pulmonary TB, Baurey (?) Zyllo and Hattie Roy of Germany,  
recorded Dec. 28, 1908.

1909

Jan. 11, 1909: **Nuna A. Kappe**, female, married, of MN, housewife, of septicemia, Parents,  
Herman Vanderse and Mollie Kleman of Germany. Recorded Jan 16, 1909.

Feb. 11, 1909: **Claus Aug. Swanson**, male, White, married, 65 y, of Sweden, a farmer,

of iuanatus to

tislottle (?), parents unknown of Sweden, recorded Feb, 13, 1909.

Mar. 7, 1909: **Albert Frank Maski**, male, w, married, 36 y 2m 7 d, of Germany, farmer, of Tubercular

TB, parents Louis Maski and F. Kena (or Kerna) of Germany, recorded Mar. 9, 1909.

Mar. 28, 1909: **Peter Samull (Sausell ?)** male, w,n widowed, 69y 4m 2d, of Germany, a farmer,

of paralysis; parents Jacob Samull and Margaret Ulrich of Germany, recorded

Apr. 2, 1909.

Apr. 17, 1909: **Edmund Wistinbash**, male, w, 10 min., of Henn. Co., Min. died w/in 10 min of birth,

and premature 8m delivery, parents Edw. Wistinbash of Henn. Co., Mn.

Catherine Van Lith of Holland, recorded April 21, 1909.

Apr. 6, 1909: **Beatrice marie Mahlberg**, female, w, single, 5m 19d, Almance Co., MN, of Tubercular

Zylo of Minard, Mennengitis, parents Peter Maklberg, of St Paul, Mn., and Frances

MN., recorded April 24, 1909.

Jun 8, 1909: \* **Henry Fogleman**, male, w, married, 76 y 4m, 18 d, of Almance Co., NC., of Senile

NC., recorded Disability, a farmer, parents Wm. Fogleman and Mary E. Eisley of

June 14, 1909.

July 8, 1909:\* **Mrs. Barton Batdorf**, female, w, married, 63y 3 m 13 d, of Ohio, housewife, of

MA, recorded intestinal cancer, father unknown of US, mother Jabez Plimpton, of

July 8, 1909.

July 9, 1909: **Mrs. A. K. Richards**, female, w, married, 74 y 1d, of MA, housewife, of old age,

parents unknown of MA, recorded July 10, 1909.

July 20, 1909: **Chas Durant**, male, w, single, 18 y 3 m 23 d, of Duluth, MN., occupation farming,

of TB, parents, J. C. Durant of Candada and Elizaeth Rus of England,

recorded July 21, 1909.

August 31, 1909: **Emil J. Anderson**, male, w, single (?), 38y 4m 9d, of Sweden, farmer, of

Sweden  
Brights disease - chronic nephritis, parents Andrew Anderson of  
and Margaret Johnson of Sweden, recorded Sept. 1, 1909.

Sept. 1, 1909: **(baby) Youso**, male, white, Maple Plaine, still born, parents Henry Youso of

MN, and Mary Mika of Germany, recorded Sep. 2, 1909.

Oct. 5, 1909: \* **Daisey Annetta Cox**, female, w, single, 8 y 10 m, of MN, of Carditis, parents, Charles

Cox of MN and Francis Arrison of Wisconsin, recorded Oct. 5. 1909.

Oct. 20, 1909: **Mary Baker**, female, married, 66y 10m, of ME, housewife, of Carditis, father John

Matheson of Scotland, mother unknown of New Brunswick, recorded  
Oct.  
21, 1909.

## 1910

Jan 10: **Wm. Johnson**, male, w, 46 y 9 m, married, Sweden, a farmer,  
by accidental asphyxiation, pressed in snow, face downward,  
by horse falling and remaining on body; parents, John  
Johnson and Hannah Person of Sweden, recorded January  
13, 1910.

Jan 24: **Philip J. Ludisher**, male, w. single, 42 y, 1m 21d, of MN, farmer,  
of Cerebral abscess, parents Joun Ludisher and Mary  
A. Luisch of Germany, recorded Jan 25, 1910.

Feb 9: **Althea Erma Bryant**, female, w, 40, housekeeping, no other information  
recorded.

Aug. 26: \* **William H. H. Kennedy**, Male, w, 74y 1m 20 d, married, of PA, ex  
merchant, of enlarged prostate generally complicated by



chronis cystitus: Father, Abraham Kennedy of Ireland; Spouse, Mary E. Painter Kennedy of Pennsylvania. Recorded Aug. 27, 1910.

Aug. 5: **Miss Karise Benson**, female, w, single, 45 y 22 d, of Sweden, nurse, of cardias and nervous exhaustion: Parents, Benj. Benson and Kares Segelson of Sweden. Recorded Sept. 3, 1910.

Sept. 27: **Sarah L.Bur (Bun?)**, female, married, 53y 4m 21 d, housewife, of Acute cholieylitus - no further record. Recorded on Sep. 29, 1910.

Sept. 18: Harold Oliver Bracken, male, w, single 13 y 9m 11d, in farming, of MN, by drowning, parents Lucy D. Coleman of NY and Oliver Bracken of Norway, recorded Sept. 29, 1910.

Nov. 30: **Andrew Peterson**, male, w, married, 61 y 6m 25 d, farmer, of MN, parents: Peter Peterson of Sweden, mo. unknown, recorded Nov. 30, 1910.

Dec. 31: \* (?) **Eddie Chapel**, male, w, single, 2 y 2m, of ? infection, parents Duane Chapel and Lorinda Whitman of Minnesota. Recorded Jan 2, 1911.

**THE FOLLOWING DEATHS WERE SUBMITTED BY CLAUDINE PEARSON [ClaudeP@aol.com](mailto:ClaudeP@aol.com)**

**From a booklet entitled "Our Independence 1854 - 1981"**

### **HARDSHIPS OF PIONEERS**

Pioneers felled the trees and plowed the virgin soil of Independence. They built homes in a wilderness and walked miles for food and supplies. They cut their grain with cradles and survived the grasshopper plague. They knew cold and hunger. Still they stayed on, formed their own government, built their own schools and churches. They lived, loved, suffered and died here, the first people of Independence. Below is a partial record of the causes of their death, printed and spelled as in a listing on record in the West Hennepin County Pioneer Museum in Long Lake.

## INDEPENDENCE DEATHS

### 1870 Independence C. W. Ingerson Clerk

Aug. 12 - **Neson Van Patten** born New York was a doctor suicide.

Jan. 26 - **Maria Coffin** 58 born North Carolina of dropsy.

Aug. - Rifenburger 5 months born Minn daughter of Nicholas and Mary.

### 1871 Independence Township reported by clerk Asbel Ingerson

Jan. 18 - **Minnie Lillie** 3m 1d born Independence died of cold on lungs. daughter of Hiram and Lillie

Aug. 20 - Jacob Rader 76y 3m 28d born Penna arrived Minn 6-21-56 of Cholera Morbus farmer son of George and Mary

June 6 - **John Wagner** 5m 10d born Independence came here 12-27-7 of whooping cough son of John and Gertrude.

### 1872 Deaths in Independence as reported by clerk Asbel Ingerson

Jan. 18 - **John W. Wasson** 8y 23d born Indep. of a tumor son of Wm & Mary

Mar. 19 - Henry Pope age 45 born England came Minn 1860 died of pleurosy was a farmer.

Aug 8 - **female child** born Indep. died day of birth child of Ole and Sarah Stortroen

Sept. 7 - **Daniel Bryant** age 3y 7m 8d born Indep died of "Dearhoey" child of Jacob and Catherine

Nov. 24 - **Jane M. Ward** age 40y 3m 15d born Penna was a farmer died of Typhoid

Dec. 17 - **Julian Youmana** age 1y 4m 29d came to Minn. 1871 died of congestion and chills dau of Wm. and Anna.

### 1873 Independence deaths reported by clerk, C. W. Ingerson

Jan 23 - **Edwin Crigler** 7y 6m 7d born Minn. died of typhoid pneumonia. Son of O. P. and Sarah A. Crigler

Feb. 3 - **Ida Lell Crigler** age 5y 6m 1d born Minn. same cause as parents

Feb. 6 - Lucy Crigler, age 1y 9m 14d born Minn. same cause and parents

Feb. 7 - **Sarah A. Crigler** age 33y 5m 10d born Indiana. came to Minn. Sept. 24, 1864 of typhoid pneumonia

Aug. 11 - **Theodore Johnson** age 9y 9m 4d came to Minn. May 1, 1864. Died of typhoid pneumonia, son of Gustavus and Hannah Johnson.

April 10 - **Alfred Augustus Johnson** age 14y 11m born Illinois came to Minn. May 1, 1864 Died of typhoid pneumonia. Son of Gustavus and

Margaret Johnson

1874 Independence deaths reported by C. W. Ingerson, Clerk

Mar. 24 - **Kenit Severson** age 52-B Norway came June 1872 to Minn. was a laborer - died of Liver complaint.

Sept. 30 - day old girl - born Min - died short of breath child of John and Clara Hillstrom.

Dec. 17 - **Zora V Moor** age 5y 6m 28d Born-Minn of brain fever child of Samuel and Nancy Moor.

1875 Independence deaths clerk C. W. Ingerson

Mar. 30 - **William Paulson** 9m 3d b Minn. typhoid fever ch Andrews and Margaret

April 21 - **Matlida Paulson** age 2y 24d typhoid fever ch Andrews and Mary (?)

April 1 - **Harley Batdorf** age 7m 20d pneumonia ch Barton and Jeanette

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1876 Independence deaths--C. W. Ingerson Clerk

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Aug. 13 - **John R. McGary** age 75y 8m born Ky-came to Minn. 1855 "stomaktumor".  
Oct. 7 - **Jenette Hardy ?** age 54y 4m b N.Y. came to Minn 1858 heart disease

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