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John Porter Was Highly Regarded in Forest Home Area

John Edward Porter, son of Benjamin Franklin and Martha Jane Pilgrim Porter, was born Mar. 28, 1879, and died Mar. 3, at the age of 82 years, 11 months and 3 days.

On Dec. 11, 1911, he was united in marriage with Myrtle Olcott, and to this union was born a daughter, Marie Janette.

Ed, as he was known to his friends, was born on a farm four miles north of New Sharon, and grew to manhood there. After marriage he moved with his bride to his nearby farm, where he maintained his home until the time of his death. He was a life long resident of Union township, Poweshiek county. He will long be remembered, as a loyal friend, who was first to lend a helping hand or aid a cause of chairty. In his later life, he accepted Christ as his personal saviour.

For many years he was a member of Mahaska lodge No. 336, AF&AM, New Sharon, and was a member of the York Rite bodies at Oskaloosa.

For the past three years he had been in failing health,

and had spent much of his time with his daughter Marie in Brooklyn; who taught the Forest Home school many years before going to the Brooklyn system. His illness became acute in January and he received treatment at St. Francis hospital, Grinnell. He reentered the hospital Feb. 27 and death followed Mar. 3.

Surviving besides his daughter, are a sister, Mrs. Odessa Gregory, Des Moines, and a brother, Joseph, Searsboro, several nieces, nephews and a host of friends.