Louise Jamieson Alsterlund

Louise was born in Moline, Illinois August 16, 1874. About two years later her family moved to the family farm in South Moline Township where she lived until the family moved back to Moline about 1892.

Louise graduated from high school in 1892 and worked as a stenographer at Wood, Butterworth and Peek Insurance. She married William A. Alsterlund in 1902. They had three children, Norah (1905), John (1908) and Elizabeth (1912).

Her husband William died suddenly in 1912 when their youngest child was only 5 months old.



Louise died April 12, 1963 and is buried in Riverside Cemetery, Moline.



Grace Jamieson

Grace was born October 7, 1881 on the Jamieson family farm in South Moline Township, the youngest child of Dr. Alexander and Norah Helen Jamieson. In about 1897 she moved with her mother and her sisters Nora and Clara to Ann Arbor, Michigan where the girls attended school.

Grace graduated in 1915 from the University of Michigan Homeopathic Hospital Training School for Nurses as a Senior Homeopathic Nurse. In those early days of modern nursing, she may have been inspired by her mother's sister Mary Jane (Polly) Murphy in England. Aunt Polly was a nurse and friend of Florence Nightingale. Polly visited the American family in 1901.

Grace lived in Ann Arbor, working as a nurse, for the rest of her life. She never married. She died on June 27, 1968 in Ann Arbor.