

## **THOMPSON, WILLIAM ALFRED**

### Birth

June 2, 1869 in Baxter, Jasper  
Co., Iowa



### Death

July 14, 1904 in Corona,  
Lincoln Co., New Mexico

### Cause of Death

Was taken suddenly ill and died

### Cemetery Lot

Buried on Lot 79  
Lot was sold to M. A. Bentley on June 16, 1880  
Transferred to W. A. Thompson

### Father

Joseph A. Thompson

### Mother

Phebe Linder

### Marriage

W. A. Thompson to Jessie McLain on October 2, 1889 in Polk Co., Iowa  
Ref: Book 5, page 258, Polk Co., records on file at IGS Library.

Return of marriage for the county of Polk for the year ending on October 1, 1890  
77-1061  
License No. 2925

W. A. Thompson  
Residence: Sheridan, Missouri  
Occupation: Station Agent  
Place of birth: Jasper Co., Iowa  
1st marriage  
Father: Joseph A. Thompson  
Mother: Phebe Linder

Married  
October 2, 1889  
Des Moines, Polk Co., Iowa

Jesse McLain  
Residence: Orilla, Iowa  
Place of birth: Warren Co., Iowa  
1st marriage  
Father: James McLain  
Mother: Caroline Van Hyning  
Witnesses: Mrs. L. J. Ollerenshaw and L. Justice  
Minister: Samuel Ollerenshaw

Census

1870 –

1880 – Grant Twp., Woodbury Co., Iowa; ED237; Page 316D; July 17, 1880

Dwelling 37; Family 37

Thompson, A. J.	38	Farmer	NY	NY	NY
Agnes	32		OH	PA	PA
William	11		IA	NY	OH
Hattie	09		IA	NY	OH

1885 – Edenville. Eden Twp., Marshall Co., Iowa; State census; Page 63

Dwelling 26; Family 29

Thompson, A. J.	39	Farmer	IA	OH
Phebe	32	keeping house -	Jasper Co., IA	
Wm. A.	16		Jasper Co., IA	
Carrie	13		Jasper Co., IA	
Mary A.	09		Jasper Co., IA	

1895 – Blockton, Taylor Co., Iowa

Thompson, William A.	27		Jasper Co., IA	
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1900 – Jefferson Twp., Taylor Co., ED 123; Page 14A; Line 33; Post Office, June 13, 1900

Post Office, Blockton, IA

Dwelling 252; Family 253

Thompson, W. A.	UN	R.R. Section agent Married 10 years Born in June	IA	OH	OH
Jessie	36	3 children; 3 living Born, Oct 1863	IA	PA	OH
Fay M.	09	Born Nov 1890	MO	IA	IA

Frank D.	08	Born Jun 1892	MO	IA	IA
Ruth	06	Born March 1894	IA	IA	IA

### Funeral Home

### Obituary

[The Advocate-Tribune, Thursday, July 21, 1904, Page 6]

John McLean of Orilla received a telegram from his sister in New Mexico, announcing the sudden death of her husband, Mr. Thompson. This news was quite unexpected, and came as a blow to all the friends of the family here. Mr. Thompson was dispatcher for the Great Western railroad for a number of years at Blockton station. His health failed, and he removed to Mexico and bought a sheep ranch. After working at that for a couple of years he had sold out that business, and was about to return to Iowa, when he was taken suddenly ill and died. He was married to Miss Jessie McLean of Orilla. The remains were laid to rest in the family plot in the cemetery there. He was a member of the Knights of Pythias, and eight men of that order accompanied the remains on the long journey here, took charge of the body, and took part in the funeral rites. Deceased leaves a wife and three children to mourn the loss of a fond father. A very large number attended the funeral which was held at the old home of Mrs. Thompson. Rev. Thornbene of Norwalk, pastor at Orilla, had charge of the funeral, and left the mourners in the hands of Him who doeth all things well. Mrs. Thompson has the sympathy of all her old neighbors.