

Isaac Brake

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Isaac **BRAKE**, with his wife Rosanna, natives of Virginia, emigrated to Ross County, Ohio with their family in 1818, remaining there two years. In 1820, they removed to Liberty Township and settled on Mill Creek, being then quite advanced in years. They settled on the farm known as the Joshua **JUDY** farm where they remained till their deaths.

Mrs. Brake, in her latter years became subject to a peculiar disease and when its attack came on (they generally came suddenly) she felt a desire for water immediately, and that administered, she obtained relief. She had observed that if she should sometime be attacked where she could not readily obtain water, she believed she would die. In that day, shooting matches were a common and legitimate occurrence, and the citizens generally attended them and tried their skill to win the prizes. On one of these occasions, Mrs. and Mr. Brake and family attended, it being nearby - at an n early hour, Mrs. Brake took her leave and started for home. Subsequently, the balance of them returned home. On their arrival, they found Mrs. Brake had not reached her home and they supposed she had probably called to see one of the neighbors and no anxiety was awakened till a late hour. When upon her not making her appearance, they became anxious and entered upon a search; but no tidings could be obtained of her. Diligent search was made in all directions; "horns" were blown through the woods, and everything done that could be devised to learn of the whereabouts of Mrs. Brake. But not until the next morning was any intelligence received when she was found a short distance from the main road, near some water, and life was extinct. It is believed that on her way home, she had been attacked by her disease and had gone to that place in search of her remedy - water-

and while there, died. This occurred about the year 1826. Mr. Brake died about the year 1833 -34.

Their children were as follows; Adam, the oldest son, married Eva **BOUGHAN** and resided in Liberty Township till his death, May 15, 1870, aged seventy-six years; his wife died July 19, 1875, aged sixty-six years. Michael, the second son, married Polly **SHIRK**, both are deceased; their children were, Aaron, Elam, John, Angeline and Mary; Sarah the third child of Isaac and Rosanna **BRAKE**, married John **SHIRK**. Elizabeth, the fourth child, married Jeremiah **BOUGHAN**.