

## **ROACH, ELDORA "DORA" ELLEN**

### Birth

December 19, 1868 at Linn Grove,  
Jefferson Twp., Warren Co., Iowa

### Death

December 6, 1949 in Madison Co.,  
Iowa



### Cause of Death

Heart disease hypertensive and senility  
Ref: Old Burial Permit



### Cemetery Lot

Buried on Lot 69  
Lot was purchased by J. Roach on John and Eldora Wedding  
September 17, 1892

### Maiden Name

Tilton

### Father

Theodore Tilton

### Mother

Aphia Ann Wheeler

### Marriage

Eldora Ellen Tilton to John A. Roach on March 18, 1886.  
Source: Book 3, 1885-1888, page 229, Polk Co. records on file at IGS Library

Return of marriage for for the county of Polk for the year ending October 1, 188\_\_  
77-1036

John A. Roach  
Residence: North Des Moines, Iowa  
Occupation: Farmer

Age next birthday: 24  
 Place of birth: Henry Co., Iowa  
 Father: Charles Roach  
 Mother: Amelia Henry

Married  
 March 18, 1886  
 North Des Moines, Iowa

Eldora E. Tilton  
 Residence: Madison Co., Iowa  
 Age next birthday: 18  
 Place of birth: Warren Co., Iowa  
 Father: Theodore Tilton  
 Mother: Aphia N. Wheeler  
 Witnesses: Charles E. Chapman and Mary C. Roach  
 Minister: J. H. Nash

They give the mother's birthday as Aphia N. It should be Aphia Ann  
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Census

1870 – Lynn Twp., Warren Co., IA; page 382A; August 16, 1870; Post Office, Norwalk, Iowa  
 Dwelling 157; Family 159

Tilton, Theodore	33	farmer	OH
		Real estate, \$800; Personal, \$500	
Affie A.	35		OH
Laura	06		OH
Jasper	04		OH
Benjamin	02		OH
Eldora E.	01		IA
Benjamin	28	farm labor	OH
Thomas	26	farm labor	OH

1880 – Lee Twp., Madison Co., IA; ED109; Page 39B; August 9, 1880  
 Dwelling 120; Family 121

Tilton, Theodore	43	farmer	OH	MA	___
Artha Ann	45		OH	ME	CT
Laura	16		OH	OH	OH
Jasper	14		OH	OH	OH
Benjamin	12		OH	OH	OH
Eldora	11		IA	OH	OH
Lydia	09		IA	OH	OH
Lafayette	07		IA	OH	OH

1885 – Lee Twp., Madison Co., IA; Page 218

Dwelling 55; Family 62			
Tilton, Theodore	48	farmer	OH
Aphia	49		OH
Jasper	19	farmer	OH
Dora	16		IA
Lydia	14		IA
Lafeyett	12		IA
Hallinan, Dennis	26	farmer	OH

1895 – Lee Twp., Madison Co., IA; Page 303

Dwelling 12 Family 12		
Roach, John A.	32	Henry Co., IA
Eldora	26	Warren Co., IA
Charles A.	08	Warren Co., IA
Harry D.	06	Madison Co., IA
Mable	02	Madison Co., IA
William	25	Henry Co., IA
Hopkins, Taylor	42	PA

1900 – Lee Twp., Madison Co., IA; ED27; Page 3; June 6, 1900

Dwelling 36; Family 36					
Roach, John A.	37	farmer - married 14 years	IA	OH	OH
		Born January 1863			
Eldora E.	31	6 children, 5 living	IA	OH	OH
		Born December 1868			
Charles A.	13	Born December 1886	IA	IA	IA
Harry D.	10	Born August 1888	IA	IA	IA
Mable E.	07	Born August 1892	IA	IA	IA
John A.	04	Born May 1896	IA	IA	IA
Carl	02	Born October 1897	IA	IA	IA
Hulane, Fred L.	29	servant - Born June 1870	IL	—	—

1905 – Lee Twp., Madison Co., Iowa; State census; Post Office, Cumming, Iowa  
Card # 227 thru 235

Roach, John A.		
Eldora	35	IA
Charles A.		
Harry D.		
Mabel E.		
John A., Jr.		
Carl		
Alice A.		
Edith A.		

1910 – Lee Twp., Madison Co., IA; ED29; Page 3A; April 22, 1910  
Dwelling 40; Family 40

Roach, John	47	farmer	IA	VA	OH
Eldora	41		IA	OH	OH
Harry	21	farm labor	IA	IA	IA
Mabel	17		IA	IA	IA
John A., Jr.	13	farm labor	IA	IA	IA
Carl L.	12		IA	IA	IA
Alice A.	09		IA	IA	IA
Edith A.	06		IA	IA	IA
Glady E.	04		IA	IA	IA

1915 – Lee Twp., Madison Co., Iowa; State census; Post Office, Cumming, Iowa  
Card #255

Roach, Eldora E.	46		IA	OH	OH
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1920 – Lee Twp., Madison Co., IA; ED 30; Page 3B; January 14, 1920  
Dwelling 41; Family 42

Roach, John A.	56	farmer	IA	VA	OH
Eldora E.	51		IA	OH	OH
Alice	18		IA	IA	IA
Carl	22		IA	IA	IA
Harry D.	31		IA	IA	IA
Edith A.	15		IA	IA	IA
Gladys E.	14		IA	IA	IA

1925 – Lee Twp., Madison Co., IA; Book 29

Roach, John A.	62		IA		
		Father, Charles Roach, born in VA			
		Mother, Amelia Henry, born in OH			
Eldora	55		IA		
		Father, Theodore Tilton, born in OH, age 84			
		Mother, Aphia Wheeler, born in OH			
Edith	20		IA		
		Father, John A. Roach, born in IA			
		Mother, Eldora Tilton, born in IA			
Gladys	19		IA		
		Father, John A. Roach, born in IA			
		Mother, Eldora Tilton, born in IA			

1930 – Lee Twp., Madison Co., IA; ED 11; Page 4A; April 14, 1930  
Dwelling 68; Family 69

Roach, John A.	67	farmer	IA	VA	OH
Eldora	61		IA	OH	OH
Pitzer, Clarence E.	36	farm labor	SD	US	US
Edward D.	09		NE	SD	IA

1940 – Lee Twp., Madison Co., IA; ED61-11; Page 2A; April 6-8, 1940

#28 – own farm; value, \$1500; same house			
Roach, John A.	77	farmer	IA
Eldora E.	71		IA
John A.	43	farm labor	IA
Alvin J.	18	grandson	IA
Mary E.	17	granddaughter	IA
Audrey P.	13	granddaughter	IA

Funeral Home

Earl D. McLaren Funeral Home

Death Record; Book 4; page 159; Clerk's Office, Winterset, Madison Co., Iowa

Roach, Eldora Ellen; born December 19, 1868 at Norwalk, Warren Co., Iowa; died December 6, 1949 in Madison Co., Iowa of heart disease hypertensive; Post Office, Cumming, Iowa; age 80; widow; housewife; father was Theodore Tilton; mother was Aphia Ann Wheeler; Eldora was buried in Pleasant Ridge Cemetery, Orilla, Linn Twp., Warren Co., Iowa on December 9, 1949; physician was Fred Sternagel of West Des Moines; Earl D. McLaren was the Funeral Director.

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Obituary

[West Des Moines Express, Thursday, December 8, 1949, Page 1]

Eldora Ellen Roach, age 81, passed away at her home in Cumming on Tuesday, December 6<sup>th</sup>. Services will be held at the McLaren Funeral Home at two p.m. on Friday with burial at the Orilla cemetery.

She had been a resident of this vicinity for the past seventy years. She is survived by two sons, Charles of Des Moines and John, Jr. of Cumming and three daughters, Mrs. Alice McAllister and Mrs. Edith Dippold, both of Booneville and Mrs. Gladys Stifel of Des Moines; two sisters, Mrs. Laura Bertrand of Des Moines and Mrs. Lydia Cox; and a brother, Jasper Tilton of West Des Moines; twenty-one grandchildren and sixteen great-grandchildren.

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[The Winterset Madisonian, December 14, 1949]

Mrs. John Roach of near Cumming passed away at her home on Tuesday night. Services were held at the McLaren Funeral Home in West Des Moines, with burial being made at Orillia. Mrs. Roach was the mother of Mrs. William Dippold and Mrs. Frank McAllister.

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[The Winterset Madisonian, December 21, 1949]

Mrs. J. A. Roach, life-long resident of the Cumming community, died Tuesday, December 6 at her home near there where she had lived for 70 years.

Mrs. Roach was born at Linn Grove December 19, 1868. She was the former Eldora E. Tilton, daughter of Theodore and Alpha Tilton. She was married to J. A. Roach, who preceded her in death several years ago.

She leaves three daughters, Mrs. Alice McAllister and Mrs. Edith Dippold of Booneville, and Mrs. Gladys Stifel of Des Moines; two sons, Charles Roach of Des Moines and John A. Roach, Jr., of Cumming; two sisters, Mrs. Laura Bertrand of Des Moines and Mrs. Lydia Cox of West Des Moines; a brother, Jasper Tilton of West Des Moines; 21 grandchildren; and 16 great grandchildren.

Funeral services were held December 9 in West Des Moines and burial was made in the Orillia cemetery.