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Husband:	Samuel Thompson MCDOWELL (1855-1913)	
Wife:	Margarette Edith MASSEY (1866-1930)	
Children:	Elsie Marie MCDOWELL (1894-1979)	
	Ralph MCDOWELL (1896-1960)	
	Lola Ida MCDOWELL (1897-1998)	
	Hilda Ruth MCDOWELL (1899-1980)	
	Nellie L. MCDOWELL (1901-)	
	Samuel Deane MCDOWELL (1906-1992)	
Marriage	Feb 21, 1894	Leon, Iowa

Husband: Samuel Thompson MCDOWELL

Name:	Samuel Thompson MCDOWELL	
Sex:	Male	
Father:	Samuel MCDOWELL (1812-1895)	
Mother:	Perlina ELMORE (1822-1889)	
Birth	Sep 24, 1855	Iowa
Death	Nov 6, 1913 (age 58) Cause: stroke	Woodland, Iowa
Burial		Evergreen Cemetary, Wayne Co., Iowa

Wife: Margarette Edith MASSEY

Name:	Margarette Edith MASSEY	
Sex:	Female	
Father:	Chasteen Alexander MASSEY (1842-1925)	
Mother:	Sarah Barton CARVER (1842-1924)	
Birth	Jul 16, 1866	Kentucky
Death	Aug 24, 1930 (age 64)	Iowa

Child 1: Elsie Marie MCDOWELL

Name:	Elsie Marie MCDOWELL	
Sex:	Female	
Spouse:	Horace BREMER (-)	
Birth	Dec 27, 1894	Iowa
Death	1979 (age 84-85)	

Child 2: Ralph MCDOWELL

Name:	Ralph MCDOWELL	
Sex:	Male	
Birth	Mar 22, 1896	Iowa
Death	1960 (age 63-64) Cause: Heart attack	

Child 3: Lola Ida MCDOWELL

Name:	Lola Ida MCDOWELL	
Sex:	Female	
Spouse:	Wayne HILL (-)	
Birth	Dec 11, 1897	Iowa
Death	1998 (age 100-101)	

Child 4: Hilda Ruth MCDOWELL

Name:	Hilda Ruth MCDOWELL	
Sex:	Female	
Spouse:	GAMMELL (-)	
Birth	Sep 16, 1899	Iowa
Death	1980 (age 80-81)	

Child 5: Nellie L. MCDOWELL

Name:	Nellie L. MCDOWELL	
Sex:	Female	
Birth	Jun 12, 1901	Iowa

Child 6: Samuel Deane MCDOWELL

Name:	Samuel Deane MCDOWELL	
Sex:	Male	
Spouse:	Gladys Rosella MYERS (1911-2006)	
Birth	Jan 22, 1906	Woodland Twp., Decatur Co., Iowa[1]
Death	Jan 24, 1992 (age 86) Cause: Stroke	Des Moines, IA[2]
Burial		Lineville Cemetary, IA[2]

Note on Husband: Samuel Thompson MCDOWELL (1)

DOB comes from tombstone

DOD comes from tombstone and farm abstract, family Bible.
Abstract says: "Death Record C, Page 183"

Death record (found at Iowa Historical Society, Iowa City) indicates cause of death as "paralysis". DOD listed as 11/16/1913 (different from tombstone). Occupation listed as farmer.

Farm abstract says he died in Woodland.

Per Marjorie, he died of a stroke.

Marriage date comes from 2/22/1894 Leon Reporter that said marriage took place "within the past week". Found on Decatur Co. GenWeb.

McDowell family Bible gives complete wedding date and place.

Census:
Both parents born in Kentucky.
Married to Maggie 17 years in 1910.
Address listed as "58"
Could read, write, and speak English
Farmer
Owned farm, but had a mortgage

According to Decatur Co. Genweb site, one of Decatur County's first doctors was named Samuel Thompson. He came to the county in 1851, about four years before Samuel Thompson McDowell was born. Could STM have been named after this doctor?

Lyle -dad's cousin, owns farm now. Elsi's son's son. Elsi's son is named Dean.

Note in 1/3/1895 edition of the Decatur County Journal:
"Mr. and Mrs. Sam McDowell have a little girl at their place."
Probably referring to Elsie's birth.

Note on Husband: Samuel Thompson MCDOWELL (2)

Obituary ~ Samuel T. McDowell
September 24,1855 ~ November 06, 1913
The Leon Reporter
Leon, Decatur County, lowa
Thursday, November 20, 1913, Page 1
Death of Samuel T. McDowell.
Samuel T. McDowell, the fifth child of Samuel and Perlina McDowell, was born in Decatur county, lowa, Sept. 24, 1855, and departed this life Nov. 6, 1913, at his home near Woodland, lowa, aged 58 years, 1 month and 12 days. He was married to Miss Maggie Massey, at Leon, lowa, Feb. 21, 1894. To this union six children were born: Elsie Marie, Ralph E., Lola I|. Hildah Ruth, Nellie L., and Samuel Dean, who with their mother are left to mourn the loss of a husband and father. The children were all present at the funeral, also his brothers and sisters: Mrs. Sarah Still, of Woodland; John McDowell, of Davis City; Mrs. Mary Beavers, of Woodland; Mrs. Belle Brown, Tuskeego; and Jas. McDowell, of Garden Grove, his brother George having passed away a few years ago
Mr. McDowell was stricken a number of years ago with paralysis and although a great sufferer was very patient and the end came very peacefully Thursday morning.
Funeral services were held at the home Friday morning at 11 o'clock by Brother Goben. Interment at the Shields cemetery. (sic, Evergreen Cemetery, Lineville, lowa) A large number were in attendance and mourn with the wife, children. brothers and sisters, for a kind husband, father, friend and neighbor has been taken from our midst.
May God's blessing be with the bereaved family and friends
Transcription by Sharon R. Becker, April of 2018

Note on Wife: Margarette Edith MASSEY

DOB and DOD comes from tombstone.
Farm abstract agrees with DOD.

Abstract: Ralph and Deane McDowell gave notice of appointment as executors in Leon Journal-Reporter for three weeks, starting 9/18/1930

Note from 9/18/1894 edition of the Decatur County Journal:
"Mrs. Sam McDowell has been quite ill, but is recovering."

Sources

1. "Birth Certificate".
2. "Personal knowledge of Bradley D. McDowell".