

## **Mary Gertrude Smith**

**Mary Gertrude** was adopted by Mary Ellen's brother John C. and Gertrude Smith Adkins, sister to P. H. Smith. She died January 18, 1893 at age 3 from scarlet fever in Hays City, Kansas. Her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Preston William Smith also resided in Hays City, Kansas. After their mother's death, the youngest son was sent to live with Miss Charlotte Adkins in Hays City, Kansas. *From a newspaper article in the Hays City Sentinel January 18, 1893 and The Allen Family Record (Adkins family history)*