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Long-time subscriber reaches 90-year milestone

The 90th birthday of Mrs. Onis Poe, a native of Cape Girardeau County, will be observed with an open house at Stephan Memorial Church Overland on Oct. 19. in Born and raised in Leemon, Mrs. Poe was the eldest of four daughters of John and Jennie McNeely, who were pioneer residents of Cape Girardeau County. Her surviving sisters, Elsah Tuschhoff of Jackson, and Lois Regenhardt of Cape Girardeau, are planning to attend the birthday celebration. A third sister, Bess McNeely, a teacher in the Cape Girardeau school sy-stem, died in 1937.

In 1916, Mrs. Poe married Dr. C. A. Poe who served as coroner of Cape Girardeau County from 1916 until he entered the Army in World War I. In 1921, she moved to St. Louis where her husband practiced medicine until his death in 1945. She is in excellent health and resides with her daughter at 2635 Poe Avenue in Overland.

She is the mother of Col. William H. Poe of Dexter and Mrs. William H. Abram of Overland. Another daughter, Mrs. John Bond, died in 1948. She has eight grandchildren and 14 great-grandchildren.

Although Mrs. Poe moved from Cape Girardeau County almost 60 years ago, she has always retained an active interest in county affairs, and she continues to be a subscriber to the Cash-Book Journal even though she says she doesn't know many people mentioned in the Jackson paper any more.