

[Buckner, Franklin F.]

DEATH OF REV. FRANKLIN BUCKNER
Former Pastor of Universalist Church at Ridgeway

Rev. Franklin F. Buckner, aged 50 years, died Friday at the Universalist parsonage in Newark, N.Y. He was born in Mason, Ill., May 20, 1866. In August, 1889, following graduation from the Lombard University Divinity School, of Galesburg, Ill., he was ordained to the ministry. His first pastorate was at LeRoy, O. Here, in 1890, he was married to Miss Lillian May Simmons.

Before going to Newark, he filled charges at Urbana, Ill., Macomb, Ill., Bristol, N.Y., Middleport, and Ridgeway, N.Y. He became pastor of the Universalist church of Newark on April 1, 1911. He was a member of the Masonic Lodge, Odd Fellows, and the Knights of Pythias. He was instrumental in giving to Bristol, N.Y., a fine public library, devoting three years of his time to the work.

In 1908 he published a book of poems, "A Wreath of Song," and at the time of his death had another collection of verse in manuscript.

He leaves his wife, four children, Mrs. J.R. Sanford, Miss Dorothea Buckner, Henry Buckner, of Newark, Arella Buckner, of Worcester, Mass.; two grandchildren; two sisters, Mrs. Frank Somers and Mrs. Charles Hunter, of Urbana, Ill.; two brothers, William, of Chicago, and Phillip, of Seattle, Wash. The funeral will be held Monday.

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