

[Gerrish, George Mayo]

DEATH OF FORMER CANTON PASTOR

An item in the Boston Herald of August 18th announces the death at Rockport, Mass., the previous day of Rev. George Mayo Gerrish, retired Universalist and Unitarian minister. Thirty-five years ago Rev. Gerrish was pastor of the First Universalist church in this village. The account states that he had been ill for two weeks. He was 73 years of age.

Mr. Gerrish was born in Milford, N. H. and was graduated from Tufts College and the Yale University School. During the World War he did considerable welfare work with the French army, returning to Ware after the war for about twelve years and then going to Rockport, where he was pastor of the First Universalist church until his retirement five years ago.

He had held pastorates in Brookline, North Adams, Ware and Canton, N.Y. Private services were held at Marmony Grove Crematory Chapel, Salem.

He was chaplain of the Ashler Lodge of Masons in Rockport; chaplain emeritus of the American Legion Post in Ware and a member of the Elks in North Adams. Survivors are his widow, the former Maud Avery, and a daughter, Mrs. Katherine Fletcher, of Hartford, Conn.

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