

[Payne, Philo V.]

PHILO PAYNE DEAD

A Well Known Resident of This Section Died Suddenly Sunday Morning

The community of Whitesville was shocked Sunday to learn of the sudden death of Philo V. Payne[,] one of its most highly respected citizens which occurred at his home at Payneville at 6 a.m., October 12, 1913. Mr. Payne had been in poor health for some time but his demise was entirely unexpected.

Mr. Payne is survived by his wife Mrs. Payne, a daughter, Mrs. C. C. Coats, grandson, Phil Coats, two brothers, Cornelius of Oregon and Frank H. of Payneville and three sisters, Mrs. Emmeline Payne of Paynesville, Mrs. L. W. Hull of North Hill and Mrs. J. M. [Marietta] Spicer of Whitesville, besides hundreds of friends and acquaintances.

The funeral was held from the Universalist church Tuesday, the building being taxed to its full capacity. Rev. J. [James] D. Herrick officiated. Burial was in Rural cemetery, Whitesville.

Those in attendance from out of town were: Mr. and Mrs. Carroll Richmond and Mr. and Mrs. Fred Porter of Andover; Mr. and Mrs. G. F. Chapman, Mrs. Reed, Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Richmond of Genesee; Lewis Ackerman of Friendship; Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Richmond, Mr. and Mrs. O. D. Richmond, and Mrs. Loie Graves of Wellsville; Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Parker, Mr. and Mrs. Phidello Wilson and Mrs. John Cline of Hallsport.

A true tribute to this worthy citizen will appear next week.

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PHILO V. PAYNE

Mention was made in this paper last week of the death of one of this vicinity's best known and most respected citizens, Philo V. Payne. It is our good fortune to be able to reproduce his likeness in this issue of The News.

Mr. Payne passed away at his home in Payneville, at 6 o'clock Sunday morning, October 12. Although he had been in failing health for a long time, his demise was not looked for just then. He had been gradually failing for some time, and yet the hope was held that he might survive the temporary depression and again be around among his many friends. But in spite of all that devoted hands could do, his weakened heart failed to perform its organic function and fastened itself permanently upon the mortal body.

[Payne, Philo V.]

Philo V. Payne was the fourth of nine children, born to Major R. and Orilla Harris Payne, June 20, 1844, at Payneville. On July 20, 1867, he was united in marriage to Emma Richmond.

The deceased leaves a most devoted wife, a most exemplary daughter, Letty O., the wife of C. C. Coats, and a very promising grandson, Phil S., and wife. The whole family lived in one home. The tie of love and affection was strongly pronounced among them all, and they all did much for each other's comfort and welfare.

Mr. Payne is also survived by two brothers, Cornelius of Oregon, and Frank H., of Payneville. Three sisters also survive, Mrs. Emmeline Payne of Payneville, Mrs. L. W. Hull of North Hill, and Mrs. J. M. [Marietta] Spicer of Whitesville, besides a large circle of relatives and friends.

Mr. Payne was a devout Universalist and generous in the support of the work of that church. He had been a member of the local church for a good many years. He was a good soldier in the Civil War, and was a member of Sawyer Post, 333, G.A.R., of Whitesville. He was a strong Republican in politics.

We shall all miss him—at the church, at social gatherings on Memorial day, at his home where many felt free and welcome to visit. But such is life, and his passing on make the Heavenly Host larger to welcome the loved ones who will answer the summons when their turn comes.

A prayer service was held at the late home prior to the service at the Universalist church at 1 o'clock Tuesday. At the church a large congregation that over taxed the capacity of the building waited, while Mrs. George Forsythe played on the organ a variety of the old-time hymns. Then the pastor, Rev. J. [James] D. Herrick, read the scriptural account of the resurrection as recorded in the 24th chapter of Luke. Then Mrs. Forsythe sang "Beautiful Isle of Somewhere." This was followed by a strong doctrinal sermon on salvation by the pastor which brought comfort and consolation to all Christians and believers of the larger faith. With concluding poem and prayer, paying just tribute to a life well spent, Mr. and Mrs. Forsythe sang "Abide With Me." Then the body was accompanied by a large concourse of friends to Rural Cemetery, where consignment was made in the family plot.

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