FORMER CITY WOMAN DIES

Miss Florence M. Pierce, 83, one-time resident of Watertown and a retired employe [sic] of the Internal Revenue Service in Washington, D.C., died Saturday in Kensington, Md., where she resided.

Surviving her are two nieces, Mrs. Elizabeth J. Ambursen Nicholson of California and Miss Frances A. Ambursen, Chevy Chase, Md.

Her sister, Mrs. Nils Frederick (Charlotte M.) Ambursen, died at her home in Edgewood, Pa., July 17, 1934.

Miss Pierce was born in Watertown Aug. 20, 1884, a daughter of Lewis LaMott and Frances J. Cross Pierce, who lived for years at 311 High street. She moved to Washington, D.C. about 50 years ago and was for years employed by the Internal Revenue department until her retirement.

Her father died Feb. 17, 1929, at the age of 79 at the High street family home.

Her mother died at the age of 78 Nov. 29, 1932, at Miss Pierce's home in Washington.

She was a one-time member of the All Souls Universalist church, where her mother sang in the choir.

The funeral will be at 12:30 Tuesday afternoon at the Gawler Funeral home in Washington.

The body will arrive in Syracuse Tuesday night and be brought to the Wilcox & McCallen Funeral home, where friends may call Wednesday from 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m.

Committal services will be at the family plot in Brookside cemetery at 10 Thursday morning with Rev. Blaine F. Hartford, pastor of the All Souls Universalist church, officiating.

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