

[Smith, H. Bernard]

Death of Rev. H. Bernard Smith, A Former Troy Pastor

Rev. H. Bernard Smith, formerly pastor of the Universalist Church in this city, died yesterday morning at 10:15 o'clock at the home of his brother in Lockport. The remains will be taken to Portland, Me., where the funeral will be held Friday afternoon at 2 o'clock from the Congress Square Universalist Church of that city.

The cause of death was paralysis. Mr. Smith had been confined to his home for several months with nervous prostration. He suffered a stroke of paralysis over a week ago, and Saturday had another. Mr. Smith had a host of friends in this city, who will sincerely mourn his death. He became pastor of the Universalist Church in this city in 1895, and severed his pastorate last November, going to eastern cities for his health. Several times since [then] he had been in the city greeting old friends. Mr. Smith had a natural and unaffected sympathy that was broad enough to include all he met and his friendships outside the church were as numerous as those within.

Mr. Smith was prominent in Masonic circles, and soon after coming to this city he was made an honorary member of Apollo Commandery, K. T., and on the occasion of his admission was presented a beautiful testimonial in writing. He was a thirty-third degree Mason, and was Past Commander of St. George Commandery of Nashau, N. H. He was Chaplain of the commandery seven years. He was also a member of the Grand Commandery of the State of New Hampshire. Other organizations of which he was a member are: St. George Chapter, Rose Croix; Edward A. Raymond Consistory, Oriental Council, Princes of Jerusalem, and Aaron P. Hughes Lodge of Perfection, Scottish Rite Masons.

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