

[Armstrong, Elvena Mary]

ELVENA MARY ARMSTRONG DEAD

Granddaughter of the late Judson Jacobs Called after Week's Illness  
of Influenza and Meningitis—A Faithful Soul Called to Reward

Stricken ill at the end of the day's work at The News office, Tuesday, Dec. 23, 1924 with a severe attack of influenza, Elvena Mary Armstrong, daughter of the late Charles and Alice Jacobs Armstrong, and our linotypist and general compositor, died Tuesday morning, Dec. 30 at 3 a.m., of the effects of the disease complicated by meningitis, at the age of 30 years, one month and five days. She was confined to her bed only about 36 hours.

Bereaved of her mother when a mere tot of about five years, Elvean, with her brothers, Guy F., now of Dansville, N.Y., and H. Donald, now of Salamanca, went to the farm home of their grandfather, the late Judson Jacobs at the head of the Wellsville Gully and there grew up. At the death of Mr. Jacobs, Elvena and her grandmother, "Aunt Maria," came to the village where they have since resided.

Elvena took up the work of linotype operator in The News office under its present management the latter part of July 1916 and had learned the whole printing trade. Being of a technical and mechanical turn of mind she had gradually taken on the greater part of the work in the back shop. She was also the Deputy Town Clerk, as well as Secretary of the Chapin Family reunion association and Treasurer of the Universalist Bible School.

The News, as well as family and community, feels keenly the loss of a genial, gentle, self-sacrificing soul, which was never too busy or tired to whistle or hum a tune.

Elvena was a member of the Universalist church, Bible School, Orchestra, Andover Eastern Star lodge and the Free Library Association, in all of them taking keen and active interest.

Words are inadequate to do her justice—all that can be said is to quote the Scripture, "Well done, good and faithful servant, enter thou into the joy of thy Lord."

To the sorrowing relatives we express our sympathy and assure them that the Master of the Universe has but taken a bright and shining jewel from earth to grace the heavenly realm.

The funeral is held today, Thursday, January 1, 1925, at 2 o'clock p.m., from the late home with interment in Rural Cemetery, Rev. Dr. Wm. E. Manning Todd officiating.

Farewell, fair worker, with a tear we write the fraternal "30" at the close of your career.

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