

[Barber, Ruth Jeannette Van Dusen]

*Death of Mrs. Cero F. Barber*

Early yesterday morning Mrs. Cero F. Barber of 158 State street, died. The deceased had been sick but a week, and her friends had hopes of her recovery to the last. All that skilled medical attendance could was done. The deceased was born in 1815. Her maiden name was Ruth Jeannette Van Dusen. She was a member of a well known and highly esteemed Connecticut family and was born in the little town of Lime Rock, Litchfield county, Connecticut. She was greatly esteemed and loved and though purely domestic in her tastes and not overly fond of society she had a wide circle of friends and acquaintances who will be pained to hear of her death. In 1855 she was married to Cero F. Barber of this city, who survives her. Throughout her life she was a careful and constant student. Hers was an exemplary life and her death will be a crushing blow to her husband, who was thoroughly devoted to her. He will have the sympathy of the community in this affliction. The funeral will be held from her late residence, 158 State street, to-morrow at 3 o'clock. Rev. O. M. Hilton, pastor of the Universalist church will conduct the funeral and the interment will be in Fort Hill cemetery.

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*Funeral of Mrs. Cero F. Barber*

The funeral of Mrs. Cero F. Barber was held from her late home, 158 State street Thursday afternoon at 3 o'clock and was largely attended by friends and acquaintances. The funeral service was brief and unostentatious in accord with the wishes of the deceased. Rev. O. M. Hilton, pastor of the Universalist church conducted the service at the house and later at the grave and paid a fitting tribute to the true Christian character of the deceased. The floral tributes were profuse and attested the high esteem in which the deceased was held. Among them was a large floral cross and anchor from Messrs. B. M. Wilcox, William E. Keeler, Sidney J. Westfall, Chancey J. Whethey and J. Warren Mead, and a profusion of exquisite roses and annunciation lilies from Mrs. D. W. Barnes and other friends. The bearers were Messrs. David W. Barnes, Henry Ocobook, Theodore Merrill, W. G. Merrill. The remains were laid to rest in Fort Hill cemetery.

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