

[Barney, Maria Horton]

MRS. MARIA BARNEY

Died at Her Home in West Union Friday Night

In the death of Mrs. Maria Barney, who died at her home near Whitesville last Friday evening, one of the oldest and most highly respected citizens of our community passes away. Mrs. Barney had not been well for a long time, although nothing serious was anticipated until a short time previous to her death. She was the youngest of ten children born to Luther Horton and Clarissa Forsythe. She was born in Norway, Herkimer county, December 29, 1832, and at the age of about fifteen came to this section where she has since lived. On the 8th of December, 1851, she was married to Darwin Barney. Five children were born to them: Will, who died five years ago; Hiram, George and Omar who reside on the old homestead and Delwin of Whitesville. Mr. Barney died five years ago.

Mrs. Barney was a woman that was well known and highly respected, a woman of generous hospitality, a kind neighbor and a woman always ready to lend a hand to those in affliction. In religion she was a sympathizer with the larger hope, being a member of the Whitesville Universalist society. The funeral was held Sunday at 2 o'clock from her late home, Rev. James Herrick of Whitesville officiating, assisted by Elder Kenyon of Independence. The interment was at Independence in the family plot.

Mrs. Barney leaves to mourn her loss, besides her four sons and their families, two brothers, Hiram of Chicago in his 95th year, Lewis of Whitesville in his 85th year, and Mrs. Martha Barney also of Whitesville in her 81st year, besides a large circle of relatives and friends.

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