

[Bates, Jane E. Counrod]

Mrs. Jane E. Bates

The death of Mrs. Jane E. Bates, which occurred Tuesday afternoon at her residence on Church street in this village, removes from life a woman ripe in years and most beloved by a large circle of acquaintances, especially those of the older generation, who have known the deceased during her nearly forty years' residence in this village and are familiar with the gentle character and kindly manner which marked every day of her life. Mrs. Bates was the daughter of Hiram and Harmony Counrod, and was born on Oct. 25th, 1835, and reached young womanhood on the farm of her parents located on the east shore of Lake Canadarago. On Oct. 13th, 1857, she married C. Pulaski Bates, and of this union a daughter, Agnes, was born, but who died in early childhood [at the age of four]. On the death of her husband in the early '70's she removed to this village, about 1876. In that year she became a member of the First Universalist church of Richfield Springs, and her devotion to its tenets and articles of faith are too well known for comment. As a church attendant and parish worker her zeal and industry knew no bounds and all these years each succeeding pastor has known her loyal affection for the church of her faith. Mrs. Bates was seized a few days ago with apoplexy and her end has been foreseen with surety. The last moments were peaceful and as placid as had been her manner through life. The funeral will be held from her late residence on Thursday at 10:30 a.m., the Rev. Frank Oliver Hokerk, in whose household she lived for some months, officiating. Interment will be made in the family plot in Lakeview. The deceased is survived by a nephew, Charles B. Conrad [son of her brother Homer A. Conrad, who died in 1906], of this village.

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