

[Bates, Mary Piper]

Mary Piper Bates

Mary E. Piper, widow of the late David Bates, died at her home on Skiff avenue, Saturday morning after an illness of ten days. Deceased was born in Mohawk August 10, 1834. In 1854 she married Mr. Bates and came to this village, where she has since resided. She is survived by two children, Mrs. A. H. White of Syracuse and Clarence of Schenectady, also by three sisters, Mrs. Frank Reese and Mrs. M. H. Sterling of Ilion and Mrs. Harriet McChesney of Yonkers, and two brothers, Frank N. Piper of Syracuse and Sylvester Piper of Schenectady. During the more than half a century that Mrs. Bates has been a resident of this village, she was known and recognized as a lady of many social and loveable characteristics, taking a deep interest in all that was for the bettering of its conditions. As wife and mother she was loyal and true; as a neighbor and friend, always to be relied upon and in times of trouble and affliction was ever ready to render needed assistance. As a member of the Universalist church, with which she had long been identified, she was always found at her post of duty in church and society work and it is there that she will be greatly missed and mourned while society at large feels the loss of a valuable member. The funeral services were attended from her late home on Monday, Rev. Alice Bradley, pastor of the Universalist church, officiating. Interment was made in Oak View cemetery. The bearers were Frank and Sylvester Piper, M. H. Sterling, Frank Reese, Frank and Arthur Sterling.

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