

[Booth, Fannie Eliza Day]

TAKEN ILL IN SWIMMING POOL[,] WOMAN DIES  
Fannie E. Booth Succumbs to an Attack of Spinal Meningitis

Mrs. Fannie Eliza Booth, 52, president of the Watertown branch of the Jefferson County Home Bureau and one of the best known lodge women in the county[,] died about 6:20 Sunday night after a week's illness of spinal meningitis. Mrs. Booth was the wife of Edwin M. Booth of 208 South Pleasant street.

Mrs. Booth was stricken suddenly while bathing [swimming] at the Trinity Parish House pool last Monday. Realizing that she was becoming dizzy she got out of the pool and went to the dressing room. A few minutes later other women who had been in swimming found her unconscious on the floor near her locker in the dressing room. A taxi was called and she was removed to her home. Since that time two trained nurses and several physicians have been in attendance. Spinal meningitis developed and her condition had been critical during most of the week.

Mrs. Booth was born March 31, 1872, at Limerick. She was the daughter of William and Catherine M. Day. She had lived her entire life in Limerick with the exception of the past five years which she spent in this city.

She was married [on] June 14, 1899 to Edwin M. Booth, who is employed at the New York Central [railroad] station.

For the past two years, Mrs. Booth had been president of the local branch of the Jefferson County Home Bureau. She was a member of the Brownville lodge of Eastern Star and of the Sterling Court No. 32, Order of Amaranth, of this city. She was an active member of All Soul's Universalist church and was vice president of the Ladies Mission Circle of the church.

Mrs. Booth's only surviving relative was her husband, Edwin M. Booth.

Funeral services will be held from the home at 208 South Pleasant street, Wednesday morning at 11. Rev. Harry Westbrook Reed, D.D., pastor of All Soul's Universalist church, will officiate. The body will be taken to Dexter for burial.

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