

[Bowen, Edwin Eugene]

Edwin Eugene Bowen

Edwin Eugene, son of the late Levi H. and Anna (Richardson) Bowen, died at the Bowen homestead, his late residence in Middlefield, April 18th, at 5:15 p.m.

Mr. Bowen was born on the homestead near Lentsville on January 3, 1848, where practically all his life was spent. He taught in the rural schools in early manhood, and read law with his brother, the late Judge S. [Samuel] A. Bowen of Cooperstown. In 1871 he went to Junction City, Kansas, where he dealt in real estate. A year later he went to Salina, Kansas, to engage in business and practice law where he held the office of city clerk.

On December 23, 1879, he was united in marriage with Minna Berks, the daughter of the late Major John W. and Josephine (Woodside) Berks of Salina, Kansas. They resided in that city until 1887 and then returned to the Town of Middlefield where they spent the remainder of their life. His wife passed away May 20, 1924.

In public life he was a Democrat and held the office of Justice of the Peace of his town for many years. He is survived by five children, Samuel A. of Menands, Francis H. of Springfield Center, Edwin N., who resides at home, Mrs. Howard Van Patten of Middlefield Center, Mrs. Floyd Eckler of Fly Creek; also eleven grandchildren and a sister, Mrs. Cora E. Shipman of Cooperstown.

The funeral was held at his late home Saturday, April 21st at 2:30 p.m., the Rev. George E. Boorn [Universalist] of Cooperstown officiating with interment in Lakewood cemetery.

*Otsego Farmer*, Cooperstown NY, Fri. 27 Apr 1928

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