

[Bradburn, John D.]

JOHN D. BRADBURN

"There is no question but that the town of East Aurora lost one of its best known and best-liked citizens when John D. Bradburn, town clerk for almost thirty years, lost his life as a result of an automobile accident Saturday morning, (May 6)." This is the opening sentence of an editorial printed in "The East Aurora Advertiser" on May 11.

The accident occurred shortly before midnight on Saturday, May 6, as Mr. Bradburn was crossing the street to his home. He was killed instantly. Mr. Bradburn had conducted a barber shop for more than thirty-eight years in East Aurora. He was a most active and loyal member of the Universalist church. He was born in Welland, Ontario, in 1871.

The funeral service was conducted in the Universalist church by Dr. Bruce Swift [of Buffalo] on May 9. The church was filled with friends of the deceased. He is survived by a sister, Mrs. Harriet Kelly of Buffalo and a brother, William of East Aurora. The death of Mrs. Bradburn occurred in 1930.

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