[Bray, Amanda Currier]

DR. AMANDA C. BRAY, 76, DIES Resided With Daughter, Mrs. B. S. Stevens— Death Ends Intense Suffering

Dr. Amanda Currie[r] Bray died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. B. S. [Lena] Stevens, Saturday morning at about five. She became critically ill last summer with angina, while on a Boston trip and Mr. and Mrs. Stevens rushed to her bedside. She recovered and returned to Canton, where she has for some time been making her home with Mr. and Mrs. Stevens. She was a woman of great vitality and energy, and was able to be about and meet and visit her friends much as usual until the day of the eclipse, August 31st, when she had another attack, and since then had been confined to her bed and in the care of a nurse. The last few days had been spent in intense suffering and death came as a welcome relief.

The funeral was held Monday afternoon at 2:30 from the Universalist church. The pastor, Rev. Emerson Lalone, was assisted by President Richard Eddy Sykes. Burial followed in Fairview cemetery in the Stevens family lot.

Dr. Bray was born in Gloucester, Mass., March 2, 1856, the daughter of Edward H. and Susan Hovey Currier. She married Frank Page Bray, of that city, March 19, 1879. One daughter, now Mrs. Stevens, was born of this union. After the death of Mr. Bray in 1887 Mrs. Bray entered the Boston University School of Medicine, graduating in 1890. She went that year to Worcester, Mass., and began the practice of medicine, which she continued for thirty-one years. In 1921 she went to Tewksbury Infirmary as resident physician. Having reached the age of retirement in 1926 she came to Canton and made her home with her son [in-law] and daughter. She is survived by her daughter and two grandchildren, Adline Bray Stevens and Brayton Sykes Stevens, and by one nephew, Edward K. Friend, of Boston.

Upon taking up her residence in Canton Dr. Bray entered into the social and civic life of Canton. She united with the Universalist church here, became a member of Swe-Katse chapter, D.A.R., of Ogdensburg, of the Women's Library Association of Canton, of the American Association of University Women and of the League of Women Voters. She was also a member of the American Institute of Homeopathy.

Dr. Bray was a woman of culture and widely read. She took a vital and intelligent interest in many things and had very many friends.

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