

[Bullis, Joan Stevens]

MRS. JOAN S. BULLIS

Mrs. Joan S. Bullis, 77, widow of the late Mial W. Bullis of Canton, died Nov. 5 of a cerebral hemorrhage at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Howard Gardner Crowell, Mattapoissett, Mass.

The body was cremated yesterday and the ashes brought to Canton for burial in the Bullis family plot at the Fairview cemetery. Funeral services will be held this afternoon at 1:30 at the home of Mrs. Frederick W. Storrs, College Street, with the Rev. John Murray Atwood, Dean of the Theological School, officiating.

Mrs. Bullis was the daughter of Lewis E. and Jane Smith Stevens, formerly of Canton but living in Lowville at the time of her birth. Losing her mother at the age of three, Mrs. Bullis was reared in the family of her uncle and aunt, the late Mr. and Mrs. Charles Nicholson of Canton.

She received her education in the Canton public schools, graduating from high school in 1894. She taught in the elementary schools of DeKalb Jct. and Canton.

In 1897 she was married to Mial W. Bullis, who at the time was in charge of the grocery, feed and flour milling enterprises of the Bullis family. Mr. Bullis died in 1917.

Mrs. Bullis became a member of the Universalist church at the time of her marriage, teaching for many years in its Sunday School and later becoming a trustee of the church. For many years she assisted Mrs. Flora Priest in the conduct of a school penny bank to encourage the habit of saving among children. She was a member of the Benton Library association, W.C.T.U. Canton study club, Universalist Mission circle, League of Women Voters, and the Association of Federated Women's Clubs.

After her children were educated and gone from the home, Mrs. Bullis became a house mother for the Delta Zeta sorority and later acted as the Summer Director of Dean-Eaton Hall at St. Lawrence university. In recent years she made her home at Mattapoissett.

Mrs. Bullis is survived by a son, Maynard W. Bullis of New York City; a daughter, Elizabeth Bullis Crowell of Mattapoissett, Mass., and a grandson, Howard G. Crowell, jr.

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