

[Clarke, Evalena Herkimer]

Schuyler Lake  
EVALENA HERKIMER CLARKE

After being in poor health for several years and ill for the past few months from heart trouble, Mrs. Evalena Clark [sic] passed quietly away on Tuesday night, February 5th at 9:30 p.m., at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Harry Shaver in East Herkimer. She was one of twelve children of Nelson and Catherine (Cole) Herkimer and was born February 25, 1883 in Schuyler Lake, a member of the Gen. Nicholas Herkimer family of Revolutionary times. Her entire life has been spent in or near this village. For several years she was a domestic nurse and cared for many sick ones in their homes, giving of her ability most willingly. She was a great lover of flowers and during the summer her garden was a beautiful sight and she gave most lavishly of them. A bouquet was always ready for a sick friend or one who had passed on and many graves were decorated because of her thoughtfulness. After years of service rendered under difficulties she has gone to her reward and we could not wish her back to suffer as she has done for the past months.

She leaves four sisters, Mrs. John Lock, Mrs. Steward Green, Mrs. Lansing Morse of Herkimer and Mrs. George Pattingill of Croton-on-the-Hudson [sic]; the daughter mentioned; one son, Edward; four grandchildren, Harriet, Gladys, Alta and Paul Shaver and several nieces and nephews. Sympathy is extended the daughter, who has tenderly cared for her mother during her last illness, also her son.

Her funeral which was largely attended by relatives and friends, was held from the Universalist church of which she was a member on Friday, February 8th. The Rev. Charles Kramer of Cooperstown officiated. E. K. Cushman, M. J. Clarke, Asa Sprague and Everett Hotaling acted as bearers.

*Otsego Farmer*, Cooperstown NY, Fri. 15 Feb 1935

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