

[Cushman, George L.]

GEORGE L. CUSHMAN

George L. Cushman of this place [Schuyler Lake], who went to visit his daughter, Mrs. L. G. Southworth, at Maryland [Otsego Co. NY], suffered a shock [stroke] early last Saturday morning, Jan. 18, from which he never rallied and passed away at his daughter's home early Wednesday morning.

Mr. Cushman was a son of Lee and Esther (Bolton) Cushman and was born in the town of Burlington Flats Feb. 25, 1854. He was a farmer and carpenter by occupation and one of the village's highly respected citizens. He was married to Mary Jane Fitch of this place Feb. 10, 1875 and to them were born two children, Ester of Maryland and E. Keith Cushman of this place. His wife died in 1911. In 1917 he was married again to Louise Johnson of Albany, who died four years ago, and since then he has spent his Winters with his son and Summers with his daughter. He was a faithful member of Schuyler Lake Lodge F. & A.M. and was a member of the building committee which just recently rebuilt the Masonic Temple here, and much credit was due to Mr. Cushman who helped raise so much of the funds for the new building. He was also a member of the Universalist Church.

He is survived by his daughter, already mention[ed]; one son, Keith, of this place; and three grandchildren, Mrs. John Ferry of Oneonta, Prof. Nathan Southworth of East Springfield, and Gordon Cushman of this place; one great grandson, Burnett Southworth; also several nephews and nieces. The body was brought here to the home of his son, where a prayer was held at 1:45 p.m. Friday and funeral services were held at the Universalist Church at 2 p.m. Rev. Clyde Truax officiated. The funeral was largely [e.g. very well] attended by his Masonic brethren who had charge of the services. The floral tributes were many and beautiful. The body was placed in the vault until Spring for interment in the family plot in the village cemetery.

Among the relatives and friends from out of town who attended the funeral were: Mrs. L. G. Southworth, Mrs. Jennie Southworth, Mrs. Carl Brown, [and] Guy Madalone, all of Maryland; John Ferry of Oneonta; Prof. Nathan Southworth and wife of East Springfield; Mr. and Mrs. George Anderson, Sr., Mr. and Mrs. George Anderson, Jr. [and] Vern Cushman, all of Ilion; Mrs. Mary Libot and family of Kingston; Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hickling, Mrs. Lavern Light, Mrs. Matthew Chapman, O. L. VanHorne [and] Don Rose, all of Cooperstown; Murray Brace and B. B. Parker of Richfield Springs; Mr. and Mrs. Fred Towne of Herkimer; Mr. and Mrs. Geo. B. Randall of Hamilton; Mr. and Mrs. Albert Gardner and son of Dolgeville.

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