

[Cushman, Joseph Benjamin]

Joseph B. Cushman

The death of Joseph B. Cushman occurred suddenly on Saturday [Aug. 21] about noon, after an illness of only a few minutes, when he had complained of a pain in his stomach. The Rev. Frank O. Hokerk [his minister, of the Universalist Church] was calling on Mr. Cushman and his wife [Mary Dingman Cushman] at the time, and when they went into the dining-room where Mr. Cushman was, found him unconscious and he died immediately.

Mr. Cushman was born May 26, 1834 and was twice married, his first wife being Mary Jane Dingman. On January 5, 1905, he was married to Adelaide E. Launt, who survives him, as do his four children, Mrs. R. M. Bigelow of this place, Mrs. Edward Wall and Mrs. C. H. Mowers of Syracuse and Mrs. William Simmons of Little Falls. There are also living three brothers, Lemuel Cushman and George Cushman of Schuyler Lake, and William Cushman of Wharton, and two sisters, Mrs. Ruth Wiltsie of Burlington, Vt., and Mrs. E. E. Conklin of Fly Creek.

Mr. Cushman had spent most of his life in this village, where he worked at his trade as a carpenter. He was a much respected citizen and his death is regretted by numerous friends.

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Death of a Widely-known Richfield Spa Resident

One of the oldest and best known residents of Richfield Spa was claimed by death this week when Joseph B. Cushman passed away at his residence in Main street, in that village. Although he had been in poor health for some time the end came suddenly and was due to heart failure. Mr. Cushman was born May 26, 1834. He had been twice married, his first wife being Mary Jane Dingman, who died some years ago. His second wife was Adelaide E. Launt, whom he married January 5, 1905, and who survives him. Mr. Cushman had been a resident of Richmond Spa for over half a century. His industry and integrity won for him an enviable reputation in the minds of his fellow citizens and his death is sincerely mourned. He was a member of the First Universalist Church. In politics he was Democrat and served his town as collector of taxes, proving himself an honest and efficient official. Mr. Cushman leaves four children: Mrs. R. M. Bigelow, of that village; Mrs. Edward Wall, of Syracuse; Mrs. William Simmons, of Little Falls, and Mrs. C. H. Mowers, of Syracuse. The deceased is also survived by three brothers, Lemuel and George, of Schuyler Lake, and William, of Wharton, and two sisters, Mrs. Ruth Wiltse, of Burlington, Vt., and Mrs. E. E. Conklin, of Fly Creek.

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