

[Davis, Orpha Gates]

Death of Mrs. Frank Davis

Mrs. Orpha Gates Davis, 90, widow of Frank Davis, who resided for many years on Martin road, North Bloomfield, in [the] town of Lima, died last week Tuesday, Mar. 13, in the home of her son, Herbert Davis, South road, Ionia. She had just passed her 90[th] birthday, having been born in North Bloomfield, Mar. 11, 1861. She was educated at G.W.S. and became the bride of Mr. Davis of North Bloomfield, Feb. 7, 1880. Their 60th anniversary was observed in February, 1940, with a large family dinner at the Herbert Davis home.

Mrs. Davis was one of the early members of Lima grange, transferring from Ionia. She also held membership in District 4 Community club, Lima, and [the former] North Bloomfield Universalist church.

Mr. Davis served as clerk in the former Chambers' store in Bloomfield, and for a score of years was caretaker of the former U. of R. [University of Rochester] gym, Prince street campus.

Besides her son, Mrs. Davis leaves 4 daughters, Mrs. James G.¹ Moses, Lima; Mrs. Albert² Biffens, Weedsport; Mrs. Leo³ Schweickhard, Ionia; Mrs. Henry⁴ Barron, Olean; 17 grandchildren and 18 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held at 2:30 p.m. Friday at a Honeoye Falls funeral home with the Rev. C. F. Smith of the Falls Methodist church officiating. Bearers included 7 grandsons, Alfred L. and H. E. Moses, Lima; Claude Moses, South Lima; Carl Davis, Ionia; Robert Barron, Olean; Albert Biffens, Jr., Weedsport, and Fred Schweickhard, Ionia. Burial at North Bloomfield cemetery.

¹ Mildred/Mary, twin of Hildred

² Alice

³ Hildred, twin of Mildred/Mary

⁴ Orpha

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