[Devendorf, Christine A.]

CITY WOMAN DIES AT 85

Miss Christine A. Devendorf, 85, died about 8:30 Thursday evening at the home where she was born, 266 Mullin street, which was built by her father 90 years ago. She had been in failing health the past few months.

The funeral will be Saturday at 2 p.m. at the Wilcox and McCallen funeral home with Blaine F. Hartford, interim pastor of All Souls Universalist church, officiating. Burial will be in Union cemetery, Adams Center.

Friends may call at the funeral home from 7 to 9 this evening.

Surviving are a niece, Mrs. Francis J. (Dorothy Hunting) D'Amanda, Rochester; two nephews, Maro S. Hunting, Rochester, head of the Hunting Supply company, a plumbing supply company established by his father, the late Stanley E. Hunting, and J. Frederick Hunting, Canary Islands; grand-nieces and grand-nephews.

A sister, Mrs. Grace L. Hunting, died May 1, 1961 at the age of 88 in St. Petersburg, Fla. A brother, William F. Devendorf, retired electrical contractor at Rochester, died April 14, 1963 at the age of 88.

Miss Devendorf was born in Watertown Feb. 17, 1880, a daughter of Frederick B. and Anna Clarissa Bassett Devendorf. She had always lived in the city and attended local schools.

Her father owned a hardware store and later was a realtor who built the Devendorf building on State street and the Devendorf and Fuess building on Court street. He died July 8, 1915.

Miss Devendorf's mother was born in Watertown, Conn., a member of one of the oldest families in the state of Connecticut, her ancestors having come to this country in 1621 on the ship Fortune. She came to this city after her marriage and was prominent in the county W.T.C.U. and was a pioneer in the suffrage movement here. She died at the family home June 30, 1922 at the age of 76.

Miss Devendorf was active in church and civic affairs for years. She was a member of All Souls Universalist church, taught Sunday school for ten years and was a trustee for several years. About 25 years ago she was active in the women's division of the chamber of commerce.

She was elected president of the Association for the Blind in 1932 and served two years. She was a member of the Jefferson County Historical society and a former member of the Outlook club.

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