## [Freeman, Minnie]

## Rites Conducted for Miss Freeman

MIDDLEPORT, March 29—Services for Miss Minnie Freeman, a member of a pioneer family who died Sunday at [the Hilltop Convalescent Home, Gasport] were held at 2 o'clock this afternoon at the Wallace and Heath Funeral Home with the Rev. Gale Bascomb, pastor of the Universalist Church, of which she was a member, officiating.

Miss Freeman was born in 1856 on the Mountain Road, south of Middleport, the daughter of Benjamin Franklin and Ann Elizabeth Freeman. Her grandfather, Asher Freeman, moved here with his family from Scipio, N.Y. in 1813, and was a pioneer of the area, the Freemans being one of the earliest Middleport families.

Three nieces and a nephew survive, Mrs. George McMichael of Hamburg, Mrs. Howard Townsend and Mrs. Lester Searles, both of Lockport, and Benjamin F. Steele of Buffalo.

Bearers were Harry Crocker, Dayton Garling, Arthur Jackling, Norman Walters, Arthur Wilmot and Harold March. Burial was in Evergreen Lawn Cemetery.

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