

[French, Almira Gilmore]

Obituary.

Yesterday afternoon in New Hartford occurred the death of Mrs. Almira French, mother of James G. French of this city. She had been ailing for several weeks, but her death was probably due to old age.

Mrs. Almira French was born in Jeffrey, N.H. in 1804. Her maiden name was Gilmore, and she was the oldest daughter of Robert Gilmore of Jeffrey, who died in 1839. Miss Gilmore moved to New Hartford over 70 years ago, where she has since resided. About 1820 she married John French, of New Hartford, who died in 1886 at the advanced age of 92. Mrs. French died on the farm near French's Grove on which she had lived 70 years. She was one of New Hartford's oldest residents, and was respected and highly esteemed by all who knew her. Mrs. French was a zealous Universalist and an earnest Christian woman. Seven sons and two daughters survive her. They are James G. of Utica; John, Thomas and William M. of New Hartford; Francis M. of Morehouseville; Daniel W. and Henry C. of New Hartford; Mrs. Jane A. Lord of New Hartford; and Mrs. Abby Prendergast of Norwich; one brother, A. S. Gilmore of Oswego; and one sister, Mrs. Sarah A. Laird, mother of William B. Taylor, also survive. Mrs. French was a kind and loving mother, a devoted wife and true friend. She possessed a lovable disposition, which endeared her to all.

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