

[French, Ida Matteson]

MRS. ELMER FRENCH

Mrs. Elmer French, nearly a life-long resident of this locality, who has been failing in health during several years past, was taken last Thursday to the Strong Memorial Hospital in Rochester, where she died on Saturday morning, following an operation.

She was born in Erieville, N.Y., on August 10th, 1860, one of four children—two sons and two daughters—of Mr. and Ms. Isaiah Matteson. When she was 7 years of age her parents removed to Leicester, since which time she has resided in this vicinity.

On December 31st, 1883, she was united in marriage to Elmer French of Leicester, residing there until 16 years ago, when they removed to a farm on the Allegany Road between Perry and Castile.

She was a loyal and devoted member of the First Universalist Church of Perry, a faithful attendant whenever her condition permitted. An exemplary Christian, she was held in high regard by those privileged to know her. Patient and uncomplaining during a long illness, her life was an inspiration to bear sufferings with fortitude and hopefulness, with consideration for others.

Besides her husband she is survived by her son, Earl French of Boston, Mass.; her daughter, Mrs. Lawrence Schenck of Perry; a grandson, Robert French of Boston; several nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were held at 2:30 o'clock on Monday afternoon, with prayer at the home, followed by largely attended services at 3 o'clock at the First Universalist Church in this place, Rev. Lewis R. Lowry officiating. Interment was in Hope Cemetery.

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