[Jenks, Caroline Patton]

Mrs. Lee Jenks

Mrs. Lee Jenks, a native of Fly Creek and a woman with wide circles of friends died Tuesday morning at 5:25 o'clock at the home of her daughter, Mrs. William Ziegler, No. 44 Harcourt avenue, Bergenfield, N.J., with whom she and Mr. Jenks had made their home for about three years. The health of Mrs. Jenks had been poor for three or four years and this winter had been less than satisfactory. Death was due to a complication of diseases.

Caroline Patton was born August 14, 1857, at Fly Creek, the daughter of Merrick and Julia (Thayer) Patton, and her early life was spent in Hartwick and Otsego townships. In 1877 she was married to Lee Jenks, and in 1886 they went to Oneonta, which had been their home until three years ago when they went to live with their daughter.

Mrs. Jenks was a member of the Eastern Star and of the Woman's Benefit association and of the Chapin Memorial Universalist church at Oneonta. She was keenly devoted to her family, having a kindly interest in the activities of those even distantly related, and her self-sacrifice was an inspiration to those who knew her.

Surviving besides the husband and the daughter at whose home she died are two brothers, John Patton, who is critically ill at the home of his son, Robert Patton, at Oneonta, and H. W. Patton of Boston, Mass.; two sisters, Mrs. Jennie Steere of Shreveport, La., and Miss [sic] Lillie Braninard of Oneonta; and a number of nephews and nieces.

A prayer service was held at Bergenfield Wednesday and the body was brought to Oneonta by motor Thursday. Funeral services will be held Friday afternoon at 2 o'clock from the home of her niece, Mrs. Lida J. Yager, No. 380 Main street, the Rev. Charles S. Pendleton officiating. The body will be placed in the vault at Glenwood cemetery for interment next spring in the family plot. A service will be conducted at the Yager home by Martha Chapter, O.E.S., of which Mrs. Jenks was a member.

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