

[Johnson, Lester E.]

LESTER E. JOHNSON, TRUSTEE AND PROMINENT
RESIDENT OF FORT PLAIN, DIES SUDDENLY
Had Been Resident of Village for 20 Years; Funeral on Saturday

FORT PLAIN — Lester E. Johnson, 55, trustee of the Village of Fort Plain, well known carpenter and contractor and highly regarded resident of the village for the past 20 years, died at 4 P.M. yesterday at his home on Orchard street, following one week's illness of lobar pneumonia. His death brings sincere sorrow to a host of business associates and friends.

Mr. Johnson was born January 20, 1876, in the Town of Danube, the son of Sanford and Rose Eckler Johnson.

During his residence in Fort Plain, he was prominent in civic and fraternal circles. He was serving his second term as village trustee at the time of his death.

Mr. Johnson was a member of the Mohawk Valley lodge, 66, Knights of Pythias and was a past chancellor commander of the Pythian Temple association of Fort Plain. He was a faithful member of the Universalist church.

Mr. Johnson was a lifelong Democrat.

Surviving are his wife, who before her marriage was Miss Katherine Young, of Starkville; two sons, Ralph of Chicago and Robert S. of Fort Plain; two daughters, Mildred, who is a teacher at Whitehall, and Juliaett, of Fort Plain; and two sisters, Mrs. Edgar Mesick of Fort Plain and Mrs. George Bellinger, of the Town of Danube.

Funeral services will be held at 2 P.M. on Saturday at the home. Rev. Rufus H. Dix, pastor of the Fort Plain Universalist church, will officiate. Interment will be in the Fort Plain cemetery.

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