

[Knight, Merritt]

Death of Merritt Knight

LEE CENTER, Oct. 28.—The people of this vicinity were grieved to learn of the death of Merritt Knight which occurred about 8:30 yesterday morning. The deceased was born in the town of Ava, June 29, 1849. About twenty-two years ago he moved to this village and for the past twenty years had conducted a clothing, boot and shoe store, and was considered one of Lee Center's best business men, being energetic in all of his undertakings. On several occasions he had been seriously ill with hemorrhage of the lungs, which terminated in pulmonary tuberculosis from which he had been a great sufferer for fifteen months prior to his death.

In politics he was a Democrat. He served as postmaster during the first term of the Cleveland administration. He had been president of the Board of Education of the Union Free School, District No. 1, of the town of Lee in Lee Center for six years and was a member of the board at the time of his death. He was a very kind husband and indulgent father. Besides his wife, whose maiden name was Jennie A. Brewster, and to whom he was married in Verona on December 1, 1870, and a son, Newton M., he leaves one brother, ex-Supervisor Charles Knight of Ava, and one sister, Mrs. George a. Golly of Chicago. The funeral will occur at the house of the deceased Tuesday at 2 p.m. The remains will be interred in Evergreen Cemetery. Rev. H. [Herbert] L. Rickard [Universalist] will officiate.

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