

[Lobdell, Mary Braden]

MRS. A. J. LOBDELL DIES IN SALEM CENTER HOME
FUNERAL SERVICE ON FRIDAY

Member of Colonial Families Was in 91st Year, Gold Star Mother and Member of the DAR

Mrs. Mary Braden Lobdell, widow of the late Albert J. Lobdell, passed away Tuesday evening, January 12, 1954, at her residence on Salem Center after a long illness. Her age was 91.

Mrs. Lobdell was born on November 25, 1862 in North Salem, the daughter of the late Jane Eliza Baxter and John A. Braden and was connected with many of the oldest families in the township. She attended school in North Salem and on October 5, 1881, was married to Albert J. Lobdell at the Universalist church. Mr. Lobdell owned and operated a general store at Salem Center for many years until his death in 1928. He also served as postmaster for a long period and for many years was town clerk and later supervisor of the township for 12 years. Both Mr. and Mrs. Lobdell were active in all community affairs and in the work of the Universalist church. Mrs. Lobdell served as head of the Dorcas Circle for many years and was active in the work of the Red Cross and a charter member of Enoch Crosby chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution. She was a Gold Star Mother, one son, Albert J. Lobdell, having been killed in World War I.

She is survived by four children including Cornelia Braden Lobdell of Salem Center; Louise E., wife of Leander C. Gregory of Croton Falls; Paul Baxter Lobdell of Salem Center; and Jane Braden Lobdell, also of Salem Center; and by 11 grandchildren and 27 great grandchildren. In addition to the son Albert J. Lobdell who died in the service of his country, another son, Whitney Lobdell of Pleasantville, died several months ago.

Funeral services will be held at the late residence Friday afternoon at 2 o'clock with the Rev. Frederick T. Nelson officiating. Interment will be in the family plot in Salem Center.

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