

[Oliver, Maturin S.]

GLENFIELD.

Death of Maturin S. Oliver at the Age of 57

(Mrs. G. W. Smith, Correspondent)

The hearts of the people in this place have been saddened in the past week in sympathy with those families who have been passing through so much sorrow. [On] Friday morning about 6 o'clock occurred the death of Maturin S. Oliver, aged 57 years, only son of the late Squire H. and Ada Chapman Oliver. Mr. Oliver had always resided in this place and was widely known and highly regarded by all, and he had a host of friends who sincerely sympathize with the sisters and family. Mr. Oliver had been in the employ of the New York Central in the station here as operator since 1872, with the exception of the past few years, when his health began to fail and he had to retire from active duties. For the past two years he had been poorly, but the immediate cause of his death was from pneumonia. He is survived by three sisters, Mrs. Spencer [Mary] E. Burdick, with whom he made his home; Mrs. Sadie C. Littlefield, of this place, and Mrs. Harry [Jessie] Van Allen, of Utica; three nephews, Oliver Littlefield and De Forest Burdick, of this place, and George Van Allen, of Utica; five nieces, Miss Mary Van Allen, of Utica, [and] Ada, Matilda, Sarah Elizabeth and Mary Shirley Burdick, of this place. The funeral was held from his late home Monday afternoon at 1:30 o'clock, Rev. Harry Westbrook Reed [Universalist] of Watertown, officiating. The beautiful floral gifts from friends and relatives bore silent testimony of the deep regard in which the departed was held. The large number of friends, neighbors and relatives who assembled was a sufficient eulogy, as was also the beautiful closing poem by Horatius Bonar, "Remembered by What I have Done." The bearers were railroad men, Nicholas Arthur of Lowville, Lee Stanford, of Castorland, R. J. Lester, Boonville, and J. G. Munson of this place. Interment was made in the family lot in the Old Glendale cemetery.

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