

[Riggs, Loretta A. Palmer]

MRS. PHILO P. RIGGS

Winthrop, March 22.—Mrs. Loretta A. Palmer Riggs, wife of Philo P. Riggs, whose death occurred at her home on Massena street at about 4 p.m. Tuesday, March 16th, was born in Lincoln, Vt., Aug. 20, 1848, coming when about 5 years of age with her parents to reside on a farm in Hopkinton, N. Y., where her early life and girlhood days were passed. [On] March 31, 1868, she was married to Philo P. Riggs, of Stockholm, and came with her husband to reside on the pleasant farm in Stockholm near the little hamlet known as Buckton. This was their home until about four years ago when they came to live at Winthrop, Mr. Riggs having entered trade here as a flour and feed merchant. Although able to be about the house and attend to her home duties much the same as usual until less than a week before she died, Mrs. Riggs seemed to be failing and slowly declining in health and strength. Bright's disease, pleurisy and a complication of ailments finally resulted in her death. Beside her sorrowing husband, she is survived by one son, Leslie F., who resides at Winthrop and one daughter, Mrs. Etta A. Wells, who resides on the old home farm near Buckton. Their eldest son, Bert, died Feb. 18, 1889; five grandchildren also survive. The funeral was largely attended last Thursday morning from her late home, Rev. T. Saunders of the Universalist church officiating. Burial was in the family plot at Buckton. Personally Mrs. Riggs was a lady of many admirable characteristics. Quiet, modest and unassuming in manner, gentle, kind and winning, she was endeared to a large circle of steadfast friends, as was verified in the large attendance at the funeral, and the display of rare beautiful flowers presented by the Odd Fellows, the church and the grange. In the home she will be missed and mourned as a kind and affectionate wife and a thoughtful, careful tender mother.

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