

[Safford, Clarence S.]

DEATH CLAIMS CAMILLUS MAN
Well Known Undertaker Left Written Instructions About Funeral

Funeral services for Clarence S. Safford, well-known undertaker of Camillus, who died Saturday at the Syracuse Memorial Hospital, will be carried out the way he requested in notes written before his death, Wednesday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Burial will be made at Camillus.

Mrs. Safford wrote plans for his funeral and stated who should officiate, and named to following fellow-members of Sapphire Lodge, F. & A.M. of Camillus (which he helped to organize) to act as pall bearers: E. S. Darling, Albert Button, C. O. Richards, W. B. Bucklin, C. H. Carpenter and Frances [sic] Preston. The honorary bearers are to be six undertakers with whom Mr. Safford was actively associated in state and county organizations. They are: William P. Hart, E. V. Gaynor, C. C. Carroll, E. B. Brown and F. W. Traugott.¹

The Rev. Frederick W. Betts, pastor of the First Universalist Church, will officiate. Sapphire Lodge of Camillus will conduct Masonic services at the grave; the Knight Templars will form an escort and there will be singing by the Knights Templar Quartet.

Mr. Safford also left instructions as to the type of casket he wished to be buried in.

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¹ These five names are the only ones given.

² In the *Syracuse Post-Standard* of Sunday 11 July 1920 there is a lengthy obituary of Safford which he wrote himself, omitting only the date and place of death. Unfortunately the numerals on the copy available to the transcriber are mostly illegible, so the obituary was not useable here.