[Smith, Mary Gilmore]

MRS. MARY G. SMITH DIED AT MIDDLETOWN WAS MOTHER OF THE LATE A. A. SMITH

The Middletown, N. Y. Argus, in its issue of Monday last contained the following obituary of Mrs. Mary Gilmore Smith, mother of the late A. A. Smith of this city:

"A beautiful life of eighty years was ended on Sunday night, when after a frief [sic] illness Mrs. Mary Smith passed from earth.

"Mrs. Smith came to Middletown five years ago to make her home with her daughter, Miss Nellie G. Smith, of the Middletown high school. In that brief time she had gained the regard and affection of those who came to know her by her winning personality, her clear and vigorous intellect and her earnest Christian character.

"Mrs. Smith was born in the town of Potsdam; St. Lawrence county, and the daughter of Sumner and Ardelia (Foote) Gilmore. She was educated in the public schools and the St. Lawrence academy in Potsdam, and was for several years a successful teacher in the schools of St. Lawrence county.

"She married Alonzo A. Smith of Canton in 1852 and to them were born three children: Alonzo A., Mary Ruth and Nellie Gilmore. The elder daughter died in infancy and the son, widely known as editor of the Ogdensburg Daily Journal, in 1898. Smith died in 1899.

"Besides her daughter, she leaves a daughter-in-law, Mrs. A. A. Smith of Winchester, Conn.; a granddaughter, Louise P. Smith, at present taking a post-graduate course at Bryn Mawr college, and a sister, Mrs. Elizabeth Card, of Saginaw City, Michigan.

"The greater part of her life was spent in St Lawrence county in Potsdam, Canton and Ogdensburg. She was a sincere member of the Universalist church and her perfect faith sustained her through 25 years of invalidism, as in the hour of death."

A brief funeral service was held at the house in Middletown on Tuesday afternoon and the body was brought north to Canton for burial with her husband and kindred in the Brick Chapel cemetery.

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