

[Smith, Rose E. Van Auken]

MRS. R. SMITH PASSES AT 83

Well Known Fort Plain Resident Dies at Home of Her Son in Van Hornesville

FORT PLAIN—Mrs. Rose E. Smith, 83, died Wednesday night at 8:50 at the home of her son, Seward Smith in Van Hornesville. Mrs. Smith was taken ill Christmas Day with heart trouble while visiting her son, and has gradually failed since.

She was the widow of John A. Smith and was born in the town of Springfield, Otsego county, November 23, 1849, a daughter of Jacob Van Auken and Clara Ann Frost. She is survived by three sons, Seward, Claude and Clinton Smith, of Van Hornesville; two daughters, Mrs. Daniel Countryman and Mrs. Victor Filkins, Van Hornesville; nine grandchildren and three great grandchildren.

The funeral services will be held Sunday at 2 P.M. at the home of Seward Smith, Van Hornesville, the Rev. Rufus H. Dix, pastor of the Fort Plain Universalist church, officiating. Interment will be made in the Van Hornesville cemetery.

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