

[Snyder, Eva Smith]

DEATH TAKES MRS. SNYDER, 94

Mrs. Eva S. Snyder, 94, mother of Attorney David E. Snyder, this village, and widow of Charles E. Snyder, prominent local attorney, died today in Washington, D. C., where for several years she had made her home with her daughter, Mrs. William R. Vallance.

Mrs. Snyder was a charter member of the Progressive Club here, and one of its early presidents. She was much interested in art and was the club's art committee chairman many years.

For a number of years she was associated with the Neighborhood House of Herkimer, a one-time volunteer relief organization, and also its president. She was active in the Universalist Church and its Ladies Aid Society while residing in Herkimer, and was also associated for several years with the local committee for sale of articles made by the blind.

Mrs. Snyder was of New England ancestry. Her great-grandfather, Larkin Smith, and his bride, Hannah Boyden, came from the Town of Barre, Mass. to the Town of Winfield in 1794, where they purchased, cleared and settled a farm which was owned by the Smith family for several generations.

Mrs. Snyder was born Aug. 30, 1862, a daughter of S. Lyman Smith and Ann Saunders Smith in the Town of Winfield. She graduated from Cornell University with a Bachelor of Science degree in 1886, and taught in the West Winfield Academy and Fort Plain Institute of Liberal Arts [a Universalist school].

She was married to Charles E. Snyder of Herkimer on Thanksgiving Day, Nov. 27, 1888. Mr. Snyder died several years ago.

Besides her daughter, Mrs. Evalanna Vallance, and her son David E. Snyder, she also leaves a sister, Mrs. Hattie Bennett of Washington, Ill., several grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be conducted at 2 p.m. Wednesday from the home of her son, 40 Church St., by the Rev. A. A. Schutter, Reformed Church pastor, with burial in Oak Hill Cemetery. At her request, the service will be simple with flowers omitted.

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