

[Sprague, Fred A.]

FRED A. SPRAGUE

Fred A. Sprague died of complications Sunday morning in Fox Hospital, Oneonta, where he had been a patient ten days. His health had been failing for some years, and he had spent the past few winters at the home of his daughter, Mrs. L. M. Loomis, in Oneonta, and summers with his son, Asa W. Sprague at Schuyler Lake.

Mr. Sprague was born at Exeter May 4, 1866, only child of Wilson A. and Elvira (Parker) Sprague. He and Miss Dahlia Talbot were married at North Edmeston June 22, 1887. She died in 1914.

Early in life Mr. Sprague learned the jeweler's trade, and later he combined that work with the operation of a barber shop. Afterward he took up farming for some years, retiring about twenty-five years ago. He was a member and trustee of the Universalist church at Schuyler Lake. Much of his life was spent in the town of Burlington. A man of retiring personality, he was sympathetic and understanding and thoughtful of others.

Surviving are the daughter and son; four grandsons, Frederick W. Loomis of Edmeston, H. Fay, David, and Asa Sprague of Schuyler Lake; and one great grandson, Raymond W. Loomis, of Edmeston.

Last rites will be held Wednesday, a prayer for the immediate family being held at 1:30 at the son's home, and the funeral at 2 in Schuyler Lake Universalist church. Dr. Fred C. Leining of Syracuse, state superintendent of Universalists, will officiate, and burial will be in the family plot at Burlington Flats.

*Otsego Farmer*, Cooperstown NY, Fri. 10 Apr 1942

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