In Memoriam Mary Horne Stetson

On Wednesday, October 19th, Mrs. Benjamin Stetson passed from mortality to immortality. On Saturday her friends gathered at her home, 24 Electric avenue, to express their affection and pride in this strong woman. Rev. Mr. [William Wallace] Rose conducted the service, which was participated in by representatives of the Eastern Star bodies and the Woman's Relief Corps. Interment was at Winchester, Mass. Miss Julia Joy has written the following eulogy:

The death of Mary Horne Stetson has removed from our church another of our strong, faithful, loyal women.

Through a long series of years Mrs. Stetson has been actively interested in every phase of our church work. She has had much to give to our cause, and she has given it freely, gladly and continuously.

Always cheerful, always hopeful, always helpful, her very optimism inspired others to visions of ultimate triumph in the work of our church.

In spite of her long and trying illness she never lost her interest in the church she loved and to which she had given so generously of her time, her strength and her careful thought. To a friend who called a few days before her death she expressed an earnest wish that she will be "well enough to attend the seventy-fifth anniversary celebration of our church."

The kindly human sympathy of this woman, the eager desire to help others in trouble or sorrow, won for her many friends both within and without the church. We shall not soon forget her genial presence nor her labors of love. Our heartfelt sympathy goes out to her devoted husband in this hour of sorrow, and may the confident assurance of the larger life into which she has now entered be a consolation and comfort to him and to us all.

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