

[Stillman, Eunice Beming]

Death of Mrs. Eunice Stillman

The following communication from Br. W. B. LINELL, announces the decease of Mrs. STILLMAN, the mother of Mrs. STEPHEN R. SMITH, of Buffalo.—

Brs. Editors:—I have to announce the departure of Mrs. EUNICE STILLMAN, aged 88 years. She died at Mt Hawley, Peoria Co., Ill., on the 22d ult. This aged matron had lived [as] a widow more than 28 years, during which time she lived with her children.—At her death she was residing with her son, HARVEY STILLMAN. Her life has been devoted to the practice of the Christian duties and graces—her death was calm and serene. Indeed, it may be said, she passed to her heavenly abode, almost without a sigh, certainly without a groan. Our mother in Israel was born in the State of Massachusetts, and removed with her husband [Samuel], at the age of 22, to Whitestown, N.Y. In 1812 she removed to Peoria County with her relatives. Two sons and a daughter are yet living, most if not all of whom rejoice in the faith which sustained her with its uplifting power through a long life. She was educated under the influence of Presbyterianism; but 60 years ago it was given up for more cheering views of God and human destiny. Her first connection with others of “like precious faith” was with a Society of believers at New Hartford, N.Y., then under the Pastoral care of Father [Nathaniel] STACY.

Mother Stillman was mother to the bereaved widow [Lucy] of our lamented Rev. Stephen R. Smith.

May we all live the life of the righteous and may our last end be like hers. And may the “Hope by Jesus given” which blessed her declining years, be like a great rock in a weary land to the sorrowing children and relatives. The consolations of the Gospel were tendered by the writer, on the 24th, from 2 Cor. v. 1-5.

W. B. L.

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