

[Stokes, John W.]

DR. JOHN W. STOKES

Southold lost one of its most useful citizens in the death of Dr. John W. Stokes on January 12. He was actively interested in every project for the welfare of the community. He gave time, thought and money generously to the churches, the hospital, the library, the parks and welfare organizations. In his profession he was always the good physician and no one will ever know what he did gladly for those who were unable to pay for his services.

He was born in a Presbyterian parsonage in East Hampton, Long Island, where his father [John D. Stokes] was the Presbyterian Minister. He became a loyal supporter of the Universalist church in Southold soon after his location in the village as physician. Mrs. [Alice P. Wheeler] Stokes is a niece of the late Rev. Abram Conklin, many years pastor of this church, and survives him. The memorial service¹ was conducted in the Universalist church on January 15 by Dr. Samuel G. Ayres, pastor, assisted by the Rev. Burrett E. McBee of the Presbyterian church. He is also survived by two sisters.

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¹ He and his wife are buried in the Willow Hill Cemetery of Southold, Suffolk Co. NY.