[Ward, Bessie Edith Hilts]

Mrs. Bessie E. Ward, East Herkimer, Dies

Mrs. Bessie Edith Ward, 68, of Pine Grove Rd., East Herkimer, died yesterday in Herkimer Memorial Hospital following an illness of several months.

Mrs. Ward was a daughter of George and Alice Cristman Hilts, born March 8, 1885 in Mohawk, and had spent most of her life in East Herkimer. She was married on Aug. 3, 1904 to Arthur D. Ward, who died in October, 1942.

She was a 50-year member of the Shells Bush Grange, Shells Bush Home Bureau and the Universalist Church.

Surviving are a son, Kenneth Ward, East Herkimer; two sisters, Mrs. Ida VanDusen, Ilion, and Mrs. Jessie Cristman, East Herkimer; two grandchildren and several nieces and nephews.

The funeral will be conducted by the Rev. Stanley Stall, Universalist pastor, at 2 p.m. Friday from the Fenner Funeral Home. Interment will be in Oak Hill Cemetery.

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