

[Whittemore, John]

DEATHS.

In East-Avon, April 24th, Mr. JOHN WHITTEMORE, aged about 86 years. Thus has gone another Revolutionary patriot, a pensioner. He was a kind and affectionate father, husband, friend and neighbor, and a consistent and exemplary Universalist, beloved by all who knew him. So commanding and commendable were his words and actions that the former Presbyterian clergyman of the place often referred the people of his charge to Br. W., and requested them to copy after him as a most perfect example of Christian morality. Would to God that every professed Universalist would resolve earnestly to live the life of this righteous man, and that their last end might be like his. Notwithstanding the high esteem which the Presbyterians cherished toward him, and the high regard they had for his moral worth, yet they had the meanness and anti-christian disposition to bluntly refuse their house to hold the services in. The Baptists, more generous, came forward and *voluntarily* offered us their house in which the funeral services were attended by

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