

[Williams, Alfred Thomas]

Alfred Thomas Williams

The death of Alfred Thomas Williams occurred Sunday afternoon at the home of his step-daughter, Mrs. Maurice [Catherine Hopkins] Osterhoudt at Phoenix Mills, following eighteen months of declining health.

Mr. Williams was a native of Otsego township, where he was born November 18, 1858, a son of Harvey and Eliza (VanAiken) Williams. His boyhood was spent in Fly Creek and he attended the Cooperstown Union school, being a member of the second class graduated from the school in 1881. Several years thereafter he was engaged in teaching in schools at Milford Center, Westford and Fly Creek Valley. His home for over thirty years was at Forkshop. He was twice married, his first wife having been Miss Metta Kane of Fly Creek, to whom he was married November 5, 1904. Upon her death he was later married to Mrs. Mary Hopkins of Fly Creek, whose death occurred a few years ago.

Surviving are the two step-children, Mrs. Osterhoudt, in whose home he had lived for the last year and one-half, and John G. Hopkins of Syracuse; three nephews, Harry Crouch of Delhi, Arthur and Walter Crouch of Brookfield.

Besides being a lifelong member of the Fly Creek Universalist church, the deceased also held memberships in both the Odd Fellows and Rebekah Lodges of Fly Creek, and the Fly Creek Grange.

The funeral was held Wednesday afternoon at 2 o'clock in the Fly Creek Universalist church, with interment in the Fly Creek cemetery. Members of the I.O.O.F. Lodge had charge of the committal service.

*Otsego Farmer*, Cooperstown NY, Fri. 31 Aug 1934