

[Williams, Edward J.]

MANY ATTEND FUNERAL OF CITY MARSHALL WILLIAMS

The First Universalist church was crowded yesterday afternoon, when funeral services were held for the late City Marshall Edward J. Williams, who was fatally hurt when run down by an automobile in Buffalo Saturday night last. Fulfilling an old wish of the deceased, the sermon was delivered by Rev. Harry Wright of this city, former pastor of the church, but now preaching for a Rochester congregation¹.

Others assisting were Rev. William J. Metz, the pastor; Rev. Walter L. Hazen, pastor of Clinton Street M. E. Church and the Rev. I. [Isaac] V. Lobdell, pastor of the Middleport Universalist church. The burial was at North Ridge cemetery. Mr. Williams was a trustee and superintendent of the Sunday School of the local Universalist church for many years.

A coincident in connection with his death is that in the machine of Herbert Bernhardt of Buffalo, which hit him, the father of Bernhardt died suddenly Friday while driving along the street. Bernhardt was engaged in arranging for the funeral when he run [sic] down the Lockport man.

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¹ He was pastor of the Plymouth Avenue Spiritualist Church for a few years, although he still considered himself and was considered A Universalist clergyman.