

[Wood, Mary B.]

MRS. MARY B. WOOD

Mrs. Mary B. Wood died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. William G. Cortright; at the Universalist parsonage in Cooperstown at 11:15 o'clock Thursday night of last week, death following a stroke of apoplexy which she suffered at about 4 o'clock Thursday morning. Mrs. Wood had been ill the entire winter but her condition had showed such improvement that her friends and relatives had hoped that the spring and summer might find her enjoying good health once more. Her condition was not sufficiently strong to withstand the shock, however, and she passed peacefully away.

Mrs. Wood was born sixty-nine years ago the 7th of last December at Appalachin, Pa. Her father was killed in an accident when she was but a year old, and she then moved with her mother to Forest Lake. Forty-eight years ago she was united in marriage with Charles S. Wood and they resided at Athens, Pa. for twenty-eight years. Ten years ago she went to Mt. Pisga, Fla. to live and last March, 1912, came to Cooperstown to make her home with her daughter.

Two children were born to them, William L. Wood of Providence, R.I., and Mrs. W. G. Cortright, the latter of whom is the wife of the pastor of the Cooperstown Universalist church. Mrs. Wood's life was unselfishly devoted to home making for her children and no less than four girls whom she reared, to one of whom, Mrs. Winifred Youmans of Cortland, N.Y., she filled the place of mother in every sense of the word. There are seven grandchildren who also survive.

Prayer was said at the house on Friday evening at 8 o'clock, the Rev. Messrs. Petrie and Squyer taking part in the service. The body was taken to Athens, Pa., where the funeral was held at the Universalist church on Sunday at 2 p.m., the Rev. George Payson officiating. Interment at Tioga Point.

*Otsego Farmer*, Cooperstown NY, Fri. 2 May 1913

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