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Ida Brandow Young

Ida Brandow Young died at her home in Van Hornesville this morning at 7:15, standard time. Mrs. Young suffered a fall about six weeks ago. Complications followed and she failed gradually until the end, which came peacefully at the hour stated. Owen D. Young, son of Mrs. Young, was in Arizona at the time of the accident to his mother. He hastened to her bedside, where he has been in constant attendance both day and night.

Ida Brandow Young was the daughter of John W. Brandow and Catherine Connine. She was born on March 10, 1839, in the town of Springfield, Otsego county, about one mile from Van Hornesville. In 1856 she was married to Jacob Smith Young. Several years after their marriage, Mr. and Mrs. Young moved to the farm occupied by Peter Young, father of Jacob S. Young. This property is located about one mile from Van Hornesville on the Wiltsey Hill road. It is now owned by Owen D. Young. Mr. and Mrs. Jacob S. Young lived on this farm until they moved to Van Hornesville and occupied the handsome home, built by Joseph H. Shumway in 1886. This was purchased by Owen D. Young. Here his father, Jacob S. Young, died on January 16, 1906.

Mr. and Mrs. Young had two sons, Worden Young and Owen D. Young. Worden died as a young boy, prior to the birth of Owen D. Young on October 27, 1874.

Since the death of her husband, Mrs. Young had continued to reside at the Young home in Van Hornesville, which Owen D. Young has always made his real homestead and which is his legal residence.

Ida Brandow Young was a kindly woman who was well beloved in her home community and by those who had the privilege of her friendship. She was a woman of the highest type, with an agreeable outlook on the world and life, and a sense of values and proportion which made her a delightful companion and a most precious friend. She followed the achievements and career of her distinguished son, Owen D. Young, with a mother's fond interest and she gave to him devotion and love which was more than a recompense for the heavy burdens which he has frequently carried. However, Mrs. Young shunned publicity and was most adverse [averse] to any newspaper write-ups and matters of that nature. She took much pride in the development and progress of Van Hornesville as it took form and movement, under the impetus of the projects put into effect by her son—notably the Van Hornesville school.

One of the interesting and amusing stories concerning Mrs. Young and Van Hornesville is that connected with the installation of electric lights in the village. When they were set up, the switch of the local system was placed in the cellar of the Young home and Mrs. Young figuratively sent the whole town to bed by turning off the street lights at what she considered a proper hour.

Mrs. Young had few interests aside from her home. She was an attendant at the Universalist church services in Van Hornesville and she shared the interest

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of her son, Owen D. Young, in the church and educational work of that denomination—particularly as evidenced in the development of St. Lawrence university, in which Mr. Young has had a large share.

Mrs. Young was a woman of fine mind and natural culture. She had a wide comprehension of life of today and her active mentality preserved her spirit of youth up to her last illness. It is not too much to say, that abundant and unusual mental endowments, her poise and well balanced character had much to do with promoting the success and well-being of her distinguished son. The relations between son and mother were unusually close. With this comfort and the enlivenment and satisfaction of the surrounding society of Mrs. Owen D. Young [the former Miss Josephine Sheldon Edmonds, who would die in 1935], her grandchildren, great-grandchildren, friends and relatives, Mrs. Ida Brandow Young spent many happy years in her pleasant home on the Otsquago Trail. Her passing means a great loss to and sorrow in her community and no one will be more missed there than this gracious lady, kindly neighbor and loving mother—Ida Brandow Young.

Mrs. Young was one of a family of four daughters and three sons. There were Mrs. Ida Brandow Young, Mrs. Rebecca Pinckney, Mrs. Amelia Druse, Mrs. Adaline Marshall, John W. Brandow, Alfred Brandow, Leroy J. Brandow. Only the two latter survive.

Mrs. Young is survived by her son, Owen D. Young; two brothers, Leroy J. Brandow of Fort Plain; Alfred Brandow of Van Hornesville; four grandchildren, Charles J. Young, Josephine Young, Richard Young and Philip Young; also several great-grandchildren, the children of Charles J. Young—David, John and Nells.

The funeral will be held at the Young home on Saturday, at 2 p.m., eastern standard time. The officiating clergymen will be Dr. Richard Eddy Sykes, president of St. Lawrence university; Dr. John Murray Atwood, president of the Theological School at Canton. Burial will be made in the Van Hornesville cemetery. It is requested that flowers be omitted. The funeral arrangements are in charge of H. B. Gray, Fort Plain.

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MRS. IDA B. YOUNG DIES AT AGE OF 92

The Mother of Owen D. Young Succumbs to Injuries She Suffered in a Fall
A LONG VIGIL KEPT BY HIM

Parent Proud of Internationally Known Figure but Sought to Avoid Reflected Glory

VAN HORNEVILLE, N.Y., May 21 (AP).—Mrs. Ida Brandow Young, mother of Owen D. Young, industrialist and financier, died today at 7:25 A.M. of injuries caused by a fall at her home seven weeks ago. She was 92 years old. Mr. Young was at the bedside.

While proud of her internationally known son, Mrs. Young always had sought to avoid any reflected glory as his mother.

Mrs. Young fell down a flight of stairs on April 6, fracturing her skull. Her son, his wife and their youngest son, Richard Young, who were at Phoenix, Ariz., left for Van Hornesville at once, arriving on April 10.

Mr. Young was constantly with his mother from that time on, except when business conferences called him to New York. His wife and son, Richard, remained in Van Hornesville. Others with Mrs. Young until her death were her grandchildren, Charles J. Young of Ardmore, Pa., and Miss Josephine Young of New York, and her brothers, Le Roy and Alfred Brandow of Van Hornesville. Several days after her accident, Mrs. Young appeared to be improving.

Mrs. Young, the former Ida Brandow, was born near Van Hornesville. She lived all her life either in the village or on the farm on which Owen D. Young was born. Beside[s] her son, who visited her every weekend when he found it possible to get away from business, her chief interest was in the local Universalist Church.

Mrs. Young was a daughter of John Worden Brandow, a farmer, and the former Catherine Conine. She was educated in the district schools. She married Jacob S. Young, a farmer in moderate circumstances, who died in 1906. They had two sons, Worden, who died at the age of 12, and Owen D., who was born after his brother's death.

Besides the two grandchildren already mentioned, Mrs. Young is survived by another, Philip Young, who is a student at St. Lawrence University in Canton, N.Y., and by three great-grandchildren, John Peter, David, and Niels Young, sons of Charles J. Young.

Funeral services, which will be simple, at Mrs. Young's request, will be held tomorrow at 3 P.M., Daylight Saving Time, in Mrs. Young's late home.

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