

Obit.-Baker, Richard

Jan. 25, 1851 - Sept. 14, 1935

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Richard Baker Dies at Madison

**DIED AT HOSPITAL IN MADISON
AFTER SHORT ILLNESS**

Richard Baker was born January 26, 1851, in the Town of Troy, Wisconsin, where he grew to manhood. He attended Milton College and taught in the country schools for a few years. Other than this his interest has been in farming. On December 31, 1885, he married Ella Coombe and they made their home on a farm adjoining his father's, south of Eagle. He was interested in community affairs and served on the school board for many years. In 1917 he retired from active farming and moved to Whitewater, where he has since lived. He died September 14, 1935, after a short illness.

The deceased is survived by his wife and four children: Ralph of Waukesha, Levi of Eagle, Emma and Eunice, who live at home; also a granddaughter and three grandsons, and a brother, Alfred Baker, of Eagle. A daughter, Ruby, died a few years ago.

He was a successful farmer and a capable business man. His alert mind and keen interest in all that went on about him belied his years. Always pleasant and cheerful in manner, he made many friends and acquaintances who feel a deep loss in his death. His kindly attitude manifested itself in many ways among his neighbors.

The funeral was held on Tuesday afternoon at 2:30 at the Methodist Church with burial at the Little Prairie cemetery, the Rev. A. W. Hoad officiating.

Whitewater Man Dead at Age 84

[GAZETTE NEWS SERVICE]

Whitewater—Richard Baker, 84, retired farmer, died in Wisconsin General hospital, Madison, Saturday evening following an operation.

He was born in the town of Troy Jan. 26, 1851, and there he was active in town affairs and was a member of the school board. Fifty years ago in December he married Ella Coombe and they moved to Whitewater from Troy 18 years ago.

Surviving are his wife; two sons, Ralph, Waukesha, Levi, Troy; two daughters, Emma and Eunice, at home, 600 Janesville street. A brother, Alfred, Eagle, also survives. A daughter, Ruby, preceded him in death.

Funeral services will be held in the M. E. church at 2:30 p. m. Tuesday, with burial in Little Prairie. The Rev. A. W. Hoad will officiate.