

Obit. - Vandenburg, Anne C.
Sept. 19, 1879 - Oct. 31, 1905

Mrs. Homer C. Vandenburg

Anne Catherine Schoen was born in Milwaukee September 19, 1879, and died in Waukesha October 31, 1905. She was the only daughter of Dr. and Mrs. John Schoen, but had four brothers, three of whom are living. She came to Palmyra about seven years ago and entered the nurses training school at the Sanitarium, from which she graduated with credit.

During her work here she became acquainted with Homer C. Vandenburg, to whom she was married at Edgewater, Ill., May 13, 1902. To them was born one sweet little son, who with his half sister and brother are left to comfort their father in his hours of sorrow.

Surely Death loves a shining mark, else he would not have taken her. She seemed so well, so strong, so full of life—and such a cheery life. No one could be in her company for any length of time without feeling the influence of her strength and happy disposition. Few people are blessed with so pleasing a personality and few draw to themselves friends more easily than did she. As wife and mother she was devotion itself and not only willing but anxious to lend a helping hand elsewhere when ever there was an opportunity to aid. She possessed a heart full of sympathy for those in sorrow as have her friends for all those who by her going are so sadly bereft.

On the week prior to her death, she enjoyed a visit from her mother and little sister, Mrs. Wolf and Gertie, who now reside at Waukesha. She drove home with her mother on Friday, leaving her sister, Earl and little Homer Schoen to go on the train. She took a severe cold, but seemed to be recovering until Monday morning when she was taken with a chill. Her condition grew rapidly worse and the doctor and her husband were sent for. It was found that she was suffering from congestion of the brain from which she died Tuesday morning.

Her remains were brought home Wednesday evening, and on Thursday funeral services were ably conducted by Rev. E. B. Boggess at the Congregational church where she was tenderly borne by her brothers, John, Ed and other near relatives, four of her associates at the training school acting as honorary bearers. Music was rendered by Mrs. Benedict, Mrs. Hunt, Miss DeWitt, Miss Tischeafer, Isaac Mason and George Cramp. Interment was at Hillside.

The large number of people present was expressive of the high regard in which she was held, and the abundant sympathy for all near and dear to her. Among the relatives and friends were: Mrs. Wolf and Gertie and Albert Schoen, Waukesha; Ed Schoen, Kansas City; Dr. John Schoen, John Schoen jr., Frank Peacock, Mrs. Hudson and son, Chicago; Samuel Peacock, Milwaukee; Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Hooper, Elkhorn; Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Finney, Dousman; Mrs. May Smart, Mrs. Sylvia Sherman, Mrs. George Wilton, Eagle; Mrs. Elmer Mackintosh and daughter, Richmond, Ill.; Miss Nellie Bishop, LaGrange.