

5 Nov 1889 - 5 May 1923

Ruth Lobdell

Ruth Bernice Lobdell was born Nov. 5, 1889, in the Lobdell farm home, east of Mukwonago; her parents were Eugene L. Lobdell and Mina Frazier Lobdell, of whom there survives but her dear mother. Ruth was a worker in school and finished the grades and the High school in Mukwonago, the latter in June, 1906. She taught in the public schools of Waukesha county for some time, then attended the University of Wisconsin and graduated from there with a B. S. degree. After graduating from the university she taught four years in the High school of Hurley one year in the High school of Ashtland, then in Oshkosh High school where she would soon have finished her fourth year. An attack of influenza some weeks ago left her system much weakened and the end came rapidly and with severe suffering. Her life here ended Saturday, May 5, in St. Mary's hospital, Oshkosh. Few lives are fuller of service to the world than was hers. She was quiet, gentle, serene, unselfish, devoted to her work, an example of self control to be envied.



When she was taken so severely sick, friends in Oshkosh wished to send for members of her family and she insisted no one be sent for, that no one could be spared from their homes and that her mother was not well enough, yet all her family responded at once when they knew, and she was surrounded by the love and devotion of all her dear ones to the last.

There are left to mourn her loss, her mother; two sisters, Mrs. Pearl Lobdell Goetsch, Estevan, Saskatchewan, Can., and Mrs. Imogene Lobdell Williams, Chicago; three brothers, Harvey R. and Lloyd Lobdell of Mukwonago, and Frazier Lobdell of Milwaukee. The funeral was from the home of her brother, Harvey R. Lobdell, on Monday at 2 p. m. A comforting and thoughtful sermon was given by Rev. J. M. Rasnake of the U. & U. church; interment was in Mukwonago cemetery. Flowers were many and beautiful from distant friends as well as from those here.

But Ruth, loved by old and young, is gone from among us.

A. C. H.