

## **Nathan Curtis**

### **Obituaries**

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### **CURTIS FUNERAL SERVICES HELD HERE ON MAY 8**

*Succumbs Sunday Morning to Illness of Several Months*

Rev. H. B. Workman, Pastor First M. E. Church, Delivers Beautiful Sermon. The death angel visited Spencer Sunday morning and took from the community one of its most respected and beloved citizens in the person of **Nathan Curtis**. Mr. Curtis had been in ill health for several months and while this was generally known, it was not realized his condition was so serious, the news of his death coming as a shock to the entire community.

Funeral services were held Tuesday afternoon at the home on Chapman Avenue in the presence of a large gathering of sorrowing friends and relatives, after which the remains were laid to rest in the mausoleum.

The services were conducted by the Rev. H. B. Workman, pastor of the Spencer Methodist Episcopal Church of which Mr. Curtis was an attendant, who paid a beautiful tribute to the life and character of the deceased.

Mr. Curtis, son of W. W. and Rebecca Wetzel Curtis, was born near Reedyville, June 7, 1858, being nearly 70 years of age at the time of this death. On November 14, 1878, he was married to Samantha E. Lucas to which union one son, L. O. Curtis, was born. Mrs. Curtis died May 16, 1885 and on February 14, 1905, Mr. Curtis was married to Mina M. Chapman, who together with a step-daughter, Lenna Chapman and his son, L. O. Curtis, survive.

Mr. Curtis spent all of his life in Roane County, the last twenty-four years of it in Spencer where he was employed at the Spencer State Hospital until the condition of his health because such it was necessary to give up active work. Besides the above named relatives, there survive him one brother, Rev. A. J. L. Curtis of Barrickville; a sister, Mrs. Rulina Hardman of Akron, Ohio; two half-sisters, Mrs. Nora O. Sleeth of Clifton, and Mrs. Sophronia W. Wilt of Cowen; and one half-brother, P.H.S. Riddle of Clarence. Those of his brothers and sisters who have passed are Mrs. Martha Starcher, Frances Marion Curtis, Rev. Albert L. Curtis and William S. Curtis.

*(Nathan Curtis died 06 May 1928 of encephalitis)*

*(Submitted by Jo Ann Stephens)*