

Rufus Allison Gates

(No date)

Date of Burial: Wednesday, November 8, 1967

Rufus (Allie) Gates dies late Sunday

Rufus (Allie) Gates, 86, Berne R.R. 2, died at 9:15 pm Sunday at the Adams County Memorial Hospital in Decatur following a short illness. He had been ill since Friday and death was attributed to influenza and complications. He was deaf and mute all his life.

Since the death of his sister, Iola, he made his home with the Laurel Mattax family. He was well known and well liked and until last week was in good health for his age.

He was born January 26, 1881, in Monroe Township and was the son of George W. and Jennie Robins Gates. He was a lifelong resident of the community and a member of the Spring Hill Methodist Church.

Surviving is a sister, Mrs. Manas (Stella) Hirschy, LaGrange.

Two sisters, Bessie and Iola Gates, preceded in death.

Services will be held at the church at 2 pm Wednesday, the pastor, Rev. Kenneth Fast, officiating. Burial will be in the church cemetery. Friends may call at the Yager Funeral Home after 10 am Tuesday.

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