

Adams County, Indiana Historical Society - 1937 Scrapbook

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PRESTON RAY FUNERAL TODAY

Brother of E. M. Ray Dies at Hartford City

Hartford City - Jan. 28 - Harrison Preston Ray, 64, for many years a prominent Hartford City man, died unexpectedly at 5:30 o'clock Monday afternoon at the Jay Banter home, East Franklin St., where he resided.

Apoplexy, which attacked him only a short time before his death, was the cause.

While Mr. Ray had not been in robust health for some time, his demise was sudden. He was about town during the morning.

Shortly after the noon hour, he became ill, while in the business section, but was able to reach his home. People in the house desired to call a physician, but he did not believe his condition necessitated it. A short time later, however, he requested that the doctor be summoned. He lived but a short while longer.

Mr. Ray was born on June 1, 1872 near Berne, Indiana, the son of Levi W. Ray and Sarah Jane Harris Ray. He came to this city about twenty years ago to manage the None-Better Overall Factory, now known as the Chicago Garment factory, in the Ervin Block in East Washington Street. Besides his business there, he took a great interest in the raising of fine thoroughbred stock and it was at this that he made his wide acquaintance of friends. Mr. Ray had been retired from active business for several years because of poor health, yet his death came as a shock to his friends.

Mr. Ray is survived by one brother, E. M. Ray of Berne and one sister, Mrs. George Longwith, of Portland. He was never married. He was of the Mennonite church of Berne, but was active in the Methodist church in this city.

The funeral was at 10 o'clock this morning at Grace M. E. church in this city with Rev. J. W. Fox in charge and with Rev. Su- (cut off)

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