[Goldsmith, Edwin Arthur]

GOLDSMITH LOSES LIFE IN RESCUE ATTEMPT

Edwin Arthur Goldsmith, 53, of 23 Sproat street, Middletown, was drowned while attempting to save others from drowning at Silver Lake, Saturday.

Mr. Goldsmith, who was a native of Bushville, had been a church leader in Middletown for many years. He was a son of Caleb H. and Anna M. Kenne Goldsmith and was born on Nov. 1, 1881. On June 15, 1914, he married Nellie E. Young in Middletown. His wife, twin sons, Harley A. and Harvey L. Goldsmith; a sister, Mrs. Ernest H. Young, and a brother, Willis H. Goldsmith, all of Middletown, survive.

Mr. Goldsmith was an attendant at the Middletown State hospital. He had lived in Middletown most of his life and was a member of Christ Church Universalist and the Men's Club of the church. He was also interested in the Young People's Christian Union, and as a prohibitionist was a supporter of the activities of the Women's Christian Temperance Union. He was also a member of the Modern Woodmen of America.

He taught a Sunday school class for 35 years and organized the Loyal Temperance legion for negro children of Middletown. He conducted a similar organization of other children in the Salvation army rooms. He had been an attendant at the state hospital for eight years and prior to that had been a salesman for the Grand Union Tea company for more than 34 years.

The funeral will be held at 2 o'clock this afternoon from Christ Church Universalist with services by the Rev. Hugh S. Tigner assisted by the Rev. Charles A. Platt. Burial will be in Hillside cemetery, Middletown, under the direction of Isaac J. Hasbrouck.

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