[Sanford, Edwin]

EDWIN SANFORD

Funeral services were held on Friday from the Conrad Funeral Home for Edwin Sanford, 91, who died Wednesday morning, March 6, in the Wyoming County hospital, Warsaw. He had been confined there two weeks following a fall in which he had broken his hip.

Edwin Sanford was born Aug. 15, 1855 on the Sanford homestead farm on the Reservation road, Town of Castile. He was a son of Edwin and Elizabeth VanSlyke Sanford.

The Sanfords were among the early settlers in this area, his grandfather, Freeman Sanford, having come here from Connecticut. He bought the farm of the Indians, cleared the timbers, and built the home.

Mr. Sanford attended school in Castile and Perry, graduating from the old Perry Academy. He then returned to Castile where he spent his life in farming until his retirement 16 years ago. He then moved to his home on Covington street.

In his earlier days Mr. Sanford had served as supervisor for several terms for the Town of Castile. His wife, the former Esther Warner of Castile, died about 20 years ago. It was after his marriage to her that he purchased a farm on the west side of the Allegany road, about a mile from Castile, and resided there for more than 50 years.

He is survived by a brother, George Sanford of Perry. A sister, Ella, died many years ago, leaving four sons, all of whom survive.

Rev. Julia Tobey of the Universalist church officiated at the services with burial in the Castile cemetery.

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