

[Williams, Russell B.]

Deaths. On the Mississippi river, July 25, on board the steamer "Excel," RUSSELL B. WILLIAMS, Esq., formerly of this State [Rochester, NY], aged 36 years. Himself, wife and other friends were on an leisure trip to the Falls of St. Anthony, when he was suddenly taken from loving hearts and fond hopes. They were about two hundred miles above St. Louis, when he ceased to suffer, and took his departure... The excellence of his character increases the pang of separation to surviving companion and friends.

Christian Ambassador, Auburn NY, 2 Sep 1854
[a Universalist newspaper]

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[Transcriber's note: Russell B. Williams was the first husband of Minerva Sawens, daughter of Jonas and Martha "Patty" Sawens of Pittsford, Monroe Co. NY They had been married in Rochester on 24 Jan 1854 by Rev. Pitt Morse. Williams' residence at the time of the marriage was given as Quincy, IL. Minerva Williams was later married to R. Chamberlain of Watertown, NY.]