

**STANHOPE**—Alvah J. Best, 84-year-old former owner and operator of Best's Food Market in Netcong, who resided at Reeves Avenue, died Monday in a Washington Nursing Home after a long illness.

Born May 25, 1889, in Waterloo, Mr. Best was a son of Aaron and Louise Hooley Best. He was a lifelong resident of the area, retiring in 1962. He was a member of the Stanhope United Methodist Church and a former member of the Netcong Businessmen's Association.

Survivors are his widow, Mrs. Kathleen S. Best; two sons, Millard H. of Hopatcong Borough and Ivan of Alpha; a daughter Mrs. Valeria Esposito, Flanders; four brothers, Roy and Russell, both of Flanders, and Lloyd and Harold, both of Hackettstown; two sisters, Miss Olive Best of Dover and Mrs. James Mooney of Bloomingdale; six grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

Services will be conducted at 1:30 p.m. today at the Morgan Funeral Home in Netcong by the Rev. Dr. James A. Richards of the Stanhope Methodist Church with interment at Stanhope Union Cemetery.

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OBITUARY: Alvah J. Best  
Date of Death,  
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