OBITUARY

Mrs. Lucy Jane Smith Passed Away on Labor Day.

Mrs. Lucy Jane Smith, widow of William Sharp Smith, passed away at her home on Grand avenue September 1st, at the age of seventy-nine years. She is survived by one daughter, Mrs. Theodore DeNyse of Long Beach, Cal., and two sons, David, of Hackettstown, and Elwood Harris Smith, of Newark, and two grandchildren, Elwood, Jr., and Jean Isabelle, children of Mr. and Mrs. Elwood Smith.

Funeral services were held at her late home Thursday evening at 8 o'clock. Rev. James W. Martyn, pastor of the Presbyterian Church, officiated. Interment was in the family plot in Union Cemetery.

Back in the distant past, when through this marriage three of the oldest, most numerous and most respected families of this vicinity were united—the Smiths, Shields and Stewarts. Mrs. Smith traces her ancestry back through the Shields' branch to her great grandfather, Isaac Shields, who lived on the Reese farm and at that time was the owner of the three farms, now known as the Reese, Cutler and tannery farms. Her mother was Temperence Stewart and she was the daughter of William Stewart, whose father settled on the three Stewart farms on Rockport Road in 1787, two of which are still in the possession of the family:

Mrs. Smith, through marriage and the grandchildren by direct descent, could trace back to revolutionary days to her great grandfather, George S. Smith and his wife, Margaret Crater, who located the farm on the Waterloo road, now known as the Bilby farm. Mrs. Smith was also a direct descendent of the notable explorer, Sir Francis Drake, whose remains rest in an obscure graveyard in the Bronx.

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