

OBITUARY

JOHN C. WERT.

Another of Hackettstown's Well-Known Citizens Called.

Last Thursday night John C. Wert died at the home of his son, G. Benjamin Wert on Washington street, following a long and painful illness from a cancerous growth upon his face. His age was 79 years. His early life was spent in Morris County in or near Middle Valley. In 1881 he came to Hackettstown and for the next four years was employed by Wilkinson, Gaddis & Co. of Newark as a salesman. In 1885 he purchased a bakery here, which he conducted until old age demanded retirement about four years ago.

On May 12, 1864, Mr. Wert married Miss Martha A. Dufford of Middle Valley, who died about two years ago. He is survived by one daughter and three sons, Mrs. Robert R. Smith and George B. Wert of Hackettstown, Alden M. Wert of New York and John C. Wert, Jr., of West Hoboken. Funeral services were conducted at 2:30 o'clock Monday afternoon at the home of his son in Washington street by Rev. Dr. James W. Martyn, pastor of the Presbyterian Church, of which Mr. Wert was for many years a member. Burial was in Union Cemetery.

Mr. Wert's long business service in Hackettstown was rendered with a fairness to his fellowman and with a close application to business that required hard work. Advanced age came and he passed the business responsibility he had long assumed on to others, and awaited the coming of the "evening shadows" of a well spent life.

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NAME: John C. Wert

DATE OF DEATH: September 15, 1921