

Robert W. Van Sicklin

Name:	Robert W. Van Sicklin {LC - F,118,6}			Sex:	M
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Birth Date:	1880	Place:			
Chr. Date:		Place:			
Death Date:	January 5, 1900	Place:	Poughkeepsie, New York		
Burial Date:	January 7, 1900				
Place:	Linesville Cemetery, Linesville Borough, Crawford County, PA				
Cause of Death:					



Events

- His obituary was published in the Linesville Herald January 9, 1900 in Linesville Borough, Crawford County, PA. The death of Robert W., son of Mr. and Mrs. J.A. Van Sicklin of this place, occurred at Poughkeepsie, NY, Friday morning. His brother who reached his bedside a few days previous accompanied his remains, arriving here Saturday. The funeral took place in the United Presbyterian church, Sunday afternoon, Rev. Curry, assisted by Rev. King, conducting services. Interment in Linesville cemetery.

The intelligence of the young man's death gave a feeling of grief which permeated the entire community and was exceedingly distressing to his personal friends. The shock to the bereaved family came with only few hours warning: Robert was 19 years of age last September, and a graduate of Linesville High School. He left for Eastman business college, last fall, and was classmate of Curtis Griffing, Arthur Martin and Richard McMillin whose parents reside in this vicinity. Intermittent fever seized him in November, having previously sustained injuries in his side in striking a curbstone obstruction while hastening to a fire, which injury, physicians say, precipitated the fatal illness.

Deceased was universally respected, and being a boy unable to cope with the average in manual labor was anxious to fit himself for a business career where knowledge should be his capital in lieu of strong arms. His roommates exerted themselves to help him in every way, and remained out of the school room to care for him during his illness. Their example is a noble one.

Among those from out of town: Mrs. WB Sherwood, of Erie; Dr. Weir, of Greenville; Dr. and Mrs. HM Chamberlain, of Meadville, and many from Conneaut Lake and Conneautville.

Just before chapel exercises on Friday morning the death of Robert Van Sicklin was announced among the pupils of the school. The effect was marked and impressive; it was evident that the deceased had many friends among his schoolmates. Immediately a number expressed the desire to contribute for flowers, to which was added a loving response from his classmates and from many of his young friends here in town and at Conneaut Lake; also a beautiful floral tribute was presented by his schoolmates of Poughkeepsie, NY, as well as from other of his friends. His schoolmates and acquaintances called him "Bob;" those at home called him "Robbie" or "Rob.," and others called him Robert, but no difference, he answered them all and always with the same quite disposition. He had a strong personality and a true heart, hence he made many friends, which was evident from the large number who attended his funeral on Sunday afternoon. In school where he was a favorite, he proved himself a hard worker and faithful to duty. He afterwards said that the greatest value of the high school course to him was that he had learned how to study. His life was another proof that "He lives most who think most, feels the noblest, acts the best." And while he has been taken from our midst, yet his influence remains as the heritage of those who knew him and loved him, and whose memory of him will ever be an incentive to noble effort and to true living.

- Census Data: 1880, Conneaut, Ashtabula County, Ohio. 231/254:
John Van Sicklin, white male, 39, miller, born New York, father born NY, mother (unreadable, writing faded)
Sarah Van Sicklin, white female, 44, wife, keeping house, born NY, father born Delaware, mother born (unreadable, writing faded)
Laura P. Van Sicklin, white female, 15, daughter, attends school, born Ohio, parents born New York
Kittie C. Van Sicklin, white female, 12, daughter, attends school, born Ohio, parents born New York
John E. Van Sicklin, white male, 7, son, attends school, born Ohio, parents born New York
Robert W. Van Sicklin, white male, 1, son, born Ohio, parents born New York

Father:	John Alair Van Sicklin {LC - F,118,4}
Mother:	Sarah Parker {LC - F,118,5}

Medical:
 From the Linesville Herald December 26, 1899:
 Mr. J. A. Van Sicklin of the Arlington hotel has received word that his son Robert, attending Eastman College, Poughkeepsie,

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N.Y., is yet unable to pursue his studies owing to illness which has been of several week's duration. His recovery is slow.

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