

William Barwis, (19 Apr 1821 – 17 Aug 1895), Newport News, August 22, 1895; **William Barwis** Dies Suddenly at Altoona

On Saturday afternoon at 4, **William Barwis** died suddenly of heart failure at his home, 1227 Sixth Avenue. He was born April 19, 1821, near Tulleytown, Buck County, Pa. At Thompsontown, Juniata County, on March 7, 1844, he was united in marriage to **Miss Catherine Stewart**, who died in 1846. On March 8, 1849, he was married to **Miss Rhoda Leonard**, of Donnally Mills, Perry County, who survives him. To the first union were born **Mrs. A. V. Wycoff**, of Chicago, and **A. H. Barwis**, of 2022 Seventh Avenue, this city. To the second union were born **Mrs. John A. Lawver**, **Mrs. Jerry McGlathery**, **Mrs. Joseph G. Plummer**, of Altoona; **Joseph M. Barwis**, of Chicago, and **Clara J.** and **Mary S.** at home. **William N.** and **Lewis L.** preceded their father to the grave.

The deceased learned blacksmith trade when a boy, and was an excellent mechanic. He came to Altoona in the fall of 1863, and at once secured a position in the Pennsylvania Railroad company shops with the late Colonel Cszink. He remained in the shops until 1886, and has resided in his present home ever since he has been in this city, except during the years 1887 and 1893, when he resided with his family on the farm of his son-in-law, **Mr. John A. Lauver**, of Pleasant Valley. **Mr. Barwis** has been a Christian from his youth and has been a member of the First United Brethren Church ever since his residence in this city. He was active in church work, especially during his younger days. A quiet unobtrusive gentleman, he was a kind and indulgent parent, a loving husband and a friend to all.

The funeral will take place from his late residence today at 4 p.m. The body will be buried in Fairview Cemetery.

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