

Mr Alfred Berry

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Mr Alfred Berry, one of the oldest residents of this district, passed away at his home at Rushworth on Thursday morning of last week.

Born at Majors Creek near Graytown, the late Mr Berry went to Murchison with his parents at an early age and after a few years there, the family moved to Whroo. Practically the whole of his life was spent in the district.

He worked as a timber getter and miner and knew Whroo when big yields of gold were being obtained there. He worked for some time on the Old Balaclava mine was also mining at Bailieston. About 12 years ago took up residence in Rushworth township.

Mr. Berry married Miss Martha Aylett, of Toolleen in Melbourne 54 years ago they had a family of four sons and four daughters. Two sons, William and Frederick, predeceased their father.

In addition to the sorrowing widow the other surviving members of his family are Esther (Mrs. Lonsdale, Ganmain, New South Wales,) Lucy (Mrs. A. Willyan, Rushworth) Charles (Rushworth), George (Melbourne), Martha (Mrs. J. Perry, Rushworth) and Emily (Mrs. J. Harley, Rushworth).

The late Mr Berry had been ill nearly all the winter and passed away very peacefully.

He was a well-known figure in the district, being held in high regard for his honesty and uprightness, whilst his invariable cheerfulness and kind disposition won him very many friends. The sympathy of the district goes out to the bereaved widow and family.

There was a representative gathering at the graveside when the remains were interred in the Rushworth Cemetery on Friday last. The Rev. W. A. Williams officiated at the graveside and there was also a short service at his late residence.

He been a member of the Foresters' Lodge for many years and the Lodge members also conducted a service at his residence and at the graveside, the service being read by Brother C. Brown.

The funeral arrangements were carried out by Mr. E. F. Anderson.

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Mrs. Berry and family desire to thank all kind friends for letters, cards, telegrams, floral tributes and personal expressions of sympathy in their recent sad bereavement, especially Dr. Moreland, Mr. Treganowan, Mrs. W. Lawrie, Mrs. W. Whitaker and Nurse McLeod. Will all please accept this as a personal expression of their gratitude. Rushworth.