

AMBER DUKE OBITUARY

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Daughter of Carlie Remington Goodrich and Leslie Ross Duke

Sad Death of Miss Amber Duke at Naples - Impressive Funeral Services. Naples (Special) A gloom was cast over the entire community when the news was spread of the death of Amber, the fourteen year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Duke who succumbed Friday, April 17 at 5 a.m. to diabetes after several years of suffering.

Impressive funeral services were held Sunday, April 19 at 12:15 at the Naples ward chapel with LaVelle Manwaring conducting. Five uncles and a cousin of the department acted as pallbearers and her immediate friends as honorary pallbearers.

A double mixed quartet beautifully rendered, "I Need Thee Every Hour"; Invocation was offered by Bishop John B. Eaton of Glines ward; singing, "Beautiful Home", by the quartet.

Harold E. Hullinger, former school teacher of the deceased, was the first speaker and spoke of his close associaton with Amber and her brilliance as a student in school and of her musical ability. He said she was gifted beyond her years. She was a loyal, co-operative student toward her school. Although not active in athletics on account of ill health, she was willing to assist in any way possible toward its betterment. He also offered consolation to the bereaved family in the hope of the hereafter. God has ordained birth, life and death in his great plan and we must abide by it.

A special number "Some Happy Day", is feelingly sung by the quartet.

George A. Slauch, the concluding speaker, endorsed the remarks of the previous speaker. He also spoke of the resurrection and promised the beareaved family that if they would live righteously before God, they would be permitted to associate with their loved one in the great hereafter.

In behalf of the family, LaVell Manwaring thanked all who had assisted in any way during her sickness and death, and for the many beautiful flowers and words of comfort.

The closing number by the quartet was "Abide With Me". The benediction was offered by Mark Cook.

Interment was in the Vernal Cemetery with LaVell Manwaring dedicating the grave.

Amber was the eldest daughter of Leslie and Carlie Goodrich Duke. She was born April 22, 1917 and has resided in Vernal all her life except for about a year spent at the Little Emma Mine near Watson.

Besides her parents, one sister, Gwenn survives her, a brother died in infancy. Amber was a beautiful young woman and dearly loved by all who knew her, which was manifested by the large crowd in attendance at her funeral. Her father and aunt, Miss Delta Duke of Salt Lake City, besides many other relatives from reservation points came to pay their respects to the departed.

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