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Thomas J. Byrnes

THOMAS J. BYRNES

FOUNDER OF TOWN IN COUNTY

AGED MAN OF BYRNESVILLE, NEAR BARNESBORO - SUFFERED
PARALYTIC STROKE

FUNERAL ON THURSDAY

Barnesboro, June 19--Thomas J. Byrnes, aged 82 founder of Byrnesville a small settlement near Barnesboro and one of northern Cambria County's best-known citizens, died yesterday afternoon at the home of his daughter, Mrs. O. J. Ricards of Byrnesville, where he had made his home for several years. Death was attributed to a complication of diseases, incident to age, following a stroke of paralysis which Mr. Byrnes suffered two weeks ago. His condition had been serious since that time.

Thomas J. Byrnes was a son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Byrnes, both deceased, and was born in Cambria County April 3, 1852. Mr. Byrnes purchased large tracts of land in the vicinity of Barnesboro many years ago, had the ground cleared and erected a number of houses and buildings in what is now known as Byrnesville. He was the proprietor of the Byrnes Hotel at Byrnesville for many years and was active in church and civic affairs of this section during the greater part of his life. His wife, Mrs. Sarah Ann (Miller) Byrnes preceded him to the grave sixteen years ago.

Surviving are these children: Gilbert Byrnes of Barnesboro, John Byrnes of Akron, Ohio, Marcellus Byrnes of Barnesboro, Mrs. O. J. Ricards with whom he resided, Mrs. A.G. Hite of Cresson, Edward Byrnes of Byrnesville, William Byrnes of Barnesboro, and Mrs. L.A. Burns of Altoona. Surviving also are a sister Mrs. Susan Miller of Susquehanna Twp, twenty-three grandchildren and four great-grandchildren. Mr. Byrnes was a member of the Holy Name Society of St. Edward's Church, Barnesboro. Funeral services probably will be conducted Thursday morning in St. Edward's Catholic Church here. Interment will be in the Holy Cross Cemetery at Spangler in charge of John R. Easley, Spangler, mortician.
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