

His body was interred beside that of his father, and other members of the immediate family, at Black Lake.

He left surviving him his only son, William Henry Davies, and a daughter, Belvidere Davies, wife of Joel Chandler Houghton; another daughter, Mary Foote Davies, wife of George F. Clark, had previously died.

Charles Davies, D.D.

Charles Davies, the second son of Thomas John Davies, was born at his father's Connecticut home, January 22d, 1798, and while very young was taken by his parents to Black Lake, N. Y. He shared the privations which they contended with as early settlers in a new country, and grew to be a strong and hearty lad of active temperament, and adventurous disposition. Until his fifteenth year he had no advantages of education beyond those afforded by the public schools in the vicinity of his home, but at that time an opportunity was afforded him that secured the proper development of the talents he possessed, and opened to him the successful and brilliant career that he pursued through life.

Gen. Swift, Chief of Engineers of the United States Army, during the war of 1812, was on duty on the St. Lawrence frontier, and was engaged in superintending the preparations that were being made for the defence of Ogdensburg. He formed the acquaintance of Mr. Thomas John Davies, then Sheriff of the County. Visiting at his home, Gen. Swift saw and became interested in Charles Davies, then a boy of some fourteen years, and perceiving that he gave evidence of talent and ambition, urged his parents to send him to the