

Ladies Army Hospital
Syracuse Pa. August 15th 1864

Mrs. Elizabeth A. Hanna

It becomes my painful duty to inform you of the death a bereavement which you are probably prepared for, your Husband left the shores of time, in a blissful Eternity, on Saturday the 13th inst. I was with him very often, as it is my daily custom to visit the sick & dying and see that they suffer for nothing. From the time he was wounded at the Battle of Synkeburg, three miles from here, he was a patient sufferer; The Surgeon & his assistants did all that could be done to save his foot, it was amputated & he bore it well & the limb did well at first, but when slow-ly began he gradually wasted away, till death relieved him of his sufferings and his spirit returned to Him who gave it. (But great is your consolation in the fact that he was ready and willing to depart and be with Christ.) We offered to write for you; but he said Now you could not accomplish the trip alone. He asked me to write to you, I offered to write that moment, He said now, not till I am gone. He had a minister with him of his Church & was visited by the Elders of his Church; when he was departing, they prayed