

Bimeleck (or Esther David): death, 1776

1776 January 15 (Monday). Mr. *Andrews* here to acquaint me with the Death of the Indian *Esther David* or *Bimeleck* on Saturday night last, and to desire me to attend the Burial tomorrow.

1776 January 16 (Tuesday). Mrs. *Wood* desired him to call here and take me in, to go as far as Mr. *Andrews's* with me; where we stoped and dined. After Dinner he carryed Mrs. *Andrews* and me to the House of the Widow *Gale*, where the Corps was brought. About half a Score Indians were met together and some Number of the English Neighbours. I discoursed with what *plainness* I could, and with what *pathos*. I prayed -- and went into Mr. *Gale's* to see his Father and Mother.