

142 Mrs. Garlow, 76,  
Found Dead At  
Her Home Here  
Oct 1957

Mrs. Lillian Garlow, 76, was found dead in the kitchen of her home Monday morning shortly before 8 o'clock by neighbors, Vova Miles and Mrs. Omer Edwards. It was thought that death came about 6 o'clock.

Coroner Claude Musgrove was called and deemed an inquest unnecessary as a safety razor blade was found near the body. She had also left a note on the table. She had recently undergone major surgery but apparently was recuperating satisfactorily.

Lillian Truman Garlow was born on Jan. 27, 1881, the oldest of nine children of William Butner and Mary Johnston Butner. She had lived her entire life in this community.

She was first married to Frank Bohannon and three children of this marriage survive, Mrs. Mildred Hubbard of Sheridan, Wyo.; Delbert Bohannon of Shelby and Victor M. Bohannon of Kansas City. Mr. Bohannon preceded her on Oct. 9, 1932.

Later she married Lindsey Garlow who also preceded her. Besides her children survivors include four brothers, Glenn Butner of south of town, Jim Butner of Brookfield, Harry Butner of Lentner and Ray Butner of Duncans Bridge and a sister, Mrs. Pearl Purdy of Shelby.

Her parents, her husbands and three brothers preceded her.

The body rested in the Greening Funeral Home until 2 o'clock this afternoon (Thursday) when last rites were held from Center Street Methodist church with the Rev. Arthur Hampton officiating. Interment was made in Maplewood cemetery.

Casket bearers were Joe Spencer, W. E. Bilbro, Harold Hutton, Lawrence Harding, Omer Edwards and Jack Wood.

Funeral Services,  
1958  
At Hagers Grove  
for Jess Strachan

Funeral services were conducted Monday morning at Hagers Grove for Jeremiah (Jess) Strachan who died Friday night, March 28, at Firmin-Desloge Hospital, in St. Louis.

Jeremiah (Jess) Strachan was born October 6, 1876 in Shelby County. He was born the son of Henry and Mary Elizabeth Evans Strachan. Interment was at Hagers Grove cemetery with Lyle Armstrong officiating. The Greening Funeral Home had charge of the final arrangements.

Mr. Strachan, who was engaged in trucking and farming all of his life, lived most of his life around Bellflower with the exception of his stay lately in a St. Louis hospital.

Survivors include Roy Strachan, Shelby; Zella McKinster, Colorado Springs, Colorado; Marie DeSalme, Fenton; Madge Leicht, Mehlville; Charles Strachan, Indianapolis, Indiana; Glenn Strachan, St. Louis; ten grandchildren and three great-grandchildren. Gene Linson of this city was a grandson and Jerry, Carol Ann and Sharon Linson of this city were the three great-grandchildren. Mr. Strachan, who was twice married during his life, was preceded in death by both.

Pallbearers were Vic Worland, Albert Echternacht, George Echternacht, Ira Gingrich, Otis Cook and Howard Hillard.

Henry Davis, 83, Found Dead  
In Field Saturday Following  
Grass Fire on His Farm 1953

Henry Davis, 83, prominent farmer and highly esteemed resident of the Enterprise community south of Clarence, died Saturday afternoon probably from a heart attack while fighting a grass fire which got out of control when he attempted to burn grass and weeds from a hollow. Mr. Davis, authorities believe, was stricken in the path of the flames and the body, badly burned, was found about 5 o'clock p.m. by a nephew, Gentry Walker.

For a time the fire raged out of control and only prompt ac-

tion by neighbors who fought the fast-traveling flames and plowed furrows with tractor drawn plows kept the fire from spreading to nearby farm buildings and corn fields. The protracted drought had burned the grass tinder dry and the fire is said to have spread rapidly.

The death of Mr. Davis is regretted by his neighbors and many friends who held him in highest esteem.

Obituary

Mr. Davis was born south of Clarence, on the same farm where he passed away, on Nov. 19, 1869, the son of the late William J. and Susan Fifer Davis. He spent his entire life in that community and was a prominent farmer, highly respected by friends.

Survivors include his three brothers, Nimrod of south of Clarence, Cale of Greenridge and W. W. Davis of Clarence, seven nieces and two nephews. He was preceded by a sister, Mrs. Will Wood and two brothers, Monroe Davis and Todd Davis.

The body rested at the Greening Funeral Home until Monday afternoon when it was taken to the home of his niece, Mrs. Lawrence Harding of south of town.

Funeral services were conducted at 2 o'clock Tuesday afternoon at Union church with the Rev. C. W. Russell of Shelby officiating. Commitment prayers were read in the church cemetery.

July 1959  
Former Resident,  
W. P. Thurman  
Dies In Oklahoma

William Pleasant Thurman, a retired Tulsa grocer, died of an apparent heart attack on Wednesday morning, July 15, at his home at 2618 E. 37th Street in Tulsa, Oklahoma.

Mr. Thurman, 87, complained of chest pains on Monday but didn't believe his condition was serious. He suffered the fatal seizure while preparing for breakfast on Wednesday morning.

Mr. Thurman was born in Monroe County and lived here in Clarence until 1926 when he moved to Tulsa. He worked for several groceries and operated a grocery store in Tulsa before retiring in 1941.

He married Ella Mae Mathews at Shelbyville in October, 1897, and she preceded him in death on April 8, 1956.

Mr. Thurman was a member of the Boston Avenue Methodist Church in Tulsa.

He lived with a son, F. A. Thurman, purchasing agent for the Noble Drilling Co. A grandchild also survives.

Funeral services were held at 10:00 a.m. Friday, July 17, at the Tulsa Whisenhunt Funeral Chapel and interment was in Memorial Park in Tulsa.

F. H. Willey, Jr., 51,  
Dies at Springfield 1954

Mrs. J. S. Walker received word Sunday at noon of the death of her nephew, Frank Holbert Willey, Jr., of Springfield. Mr. Willey, 51, son of Frank H. Willey, a former Clarence resident, who was born in Fort Smith, Ark., and had lived for many years in Springfield passed away Saturday night following a heart attack.

Survivors include his wife, his father, Frank H. Willey of Branson, and a brother Clarence Willey of Joplin. Earl Willey of St. Joseph, an uncle, planned to attend last rites at Springfield.

Dec 1955  
Mrs. Edith V. Todd  
Of Clarence Dies;  
Rites Held Today

Funeral services for Mrs. Edith V. Todd, 66, of Clarence, who died Monday at a Kirksville Hospital, were held at 2 p.m. today at the Greening Funeral Home in Clarence. Rites were conducted by the Rev. Lyle Armstrong and burial was in the Hagers Grove Cemetery.

Mrs. Todd was born May 1891 in Calhoun County, Ia., daughter of John William and Anna Gray Sefrit. She had made her home in Clarence for the past six years.

Her husband, Charles Todd, had preceded her in death in 1935.

Mrs. Todd is survived by four sons, George of Clarence, Ed of Rock Island, Ill., Melvin of El Condido, Calif. and David of Richmond, Calif.; three brothers, Emer Sifrit of Boone, Ia., Robert Sifrit of Eldora, Ia. and Dolph of Jefferson, Ia.; three sisters, Mrs. Agnes Keenan of Beaver, Ia., Mrs. Neava Cockrum of Des Moines, Ia. and Mrs. Lenon Sifrit of Anes, Ia.; 10 grandchildren, three stepchildren and five step-great-grandchildren.

Mrs. Tedford, 91,  
Died Yesterday,  
Funeral Friday 1953

Mrs. Amy Jane Tedford, a resident of Clarence for many years, passed away Wednesday morning about 2:30 o'clock in Lake View rest home at Macon where she had been a patient since August. Mrs. Tedford was born on Nov. 30, 1863, the daughter of the late Joseph A. and Martha Harris McGhee of Macon county. On Feb. 13, 1879, she was united in marriage to Finis N. Tedford who preceded her in March 1944. Five children were born to them, three preceding her. The family had lived in Clarence since 1906.

Survivors include a son, J. D. Tedford of Woodville and a daughter, Lula, Mrs. Gerald T. Jones of Elmhurst, Ill.; a grandson, Robert Jones of Elmhurst and nieces and nephews. A niece, Mrs. Cecil Halliburton of Clarence made her home with the Tedfords for years.

Besides her husband and children she was preceded by three brothers and a sister.

The body is resting in the Greening Funeral Home and last rites will be held at 2 o'clock Friday afternoon from Fairview church with interment following in the church cemetery.

Mike Wright, 74,  
Died Suddenly 1953  
Sunday Morning

Michael David Wright, 74, well known farmer of the Graves Chapel community, passed away suddenly at his home at 11:45 Sunday morning.

Mr. Wright was born on Jan. 20, 1881, the son of the late Milton and Betty Wright. He spent his entire life in the Graves Chapel community and had been a member of the Graves Chapel Christian church for many years.

Survivors include his widow, the former Miss Lula Richardson, a son, Frank S. Wright of Clarence; a brother, Shirley Wright of Jacksonville; a niece, Mrs. Noble Gosney of Clarence and a sister-in-law, Mrs. Georgia Richardson of the home. A son, Marvin, preceded him in infancy.

Last rites were held from Graves Chapel on Wednesday afternoon at 1:30 o'clock with the Rev. William A. Knowles officiating. Commitment prayers were read and interment made in the adjoining church cemetery.

The body was taken to the Barkeley & Hawkins Funeral Chapel and was removed to the family home Monday afternoon where it rested until the hour of services.

July 1955  
Mrs. Wheeler, 95,  
Buried Monday  
At Morris Chapel

Mrs. L. L. Wheeler passed away Saturday afternoon at the home of her daughter, Mrs. F. P. Neuschafer of Center following illness of several weeks.

Mrs. Wheeler was born Cora Ellen Hirrlinger, the daughter of William and Magdalena Dorner Hirrlinger of Shelbyville, on July 28, 1860. On Jan. 28, 1883, she was married to L. L. Wheeler at Hagers Grove and most of her long and useful life was spent in Shelby county.

Survivors include five children, Mrs. Agnes Neuschafer of Center at whose home she passed away; Mrs. Beulah Jordan of Manhattan, Kans.; Vincil O. Wheeler of Clarence; Vingil L. Wheeler of Junction City, Oregon; and J. Leland Wheeler of Waukegan, Ill.; 10 grandchildren, 17 great grandchildren and two great great grandchildren. Her husband and two infant children preceded her.

The body rested at the Barkeley & Hawkins Funeral Chapel here until 2 o'clock Monday afternoon when last rites were held from Center Street Methodist church, where she was a member, with the Rev. Milton M. Thorne officiating, assisted by Rev. Henry Eisenberg of Center. Commitment prayers were read and interment made in Morris Chapel cemetery.

Casket bearers were Ed Hirrlinger, Kenneth Ralls, R. N. Van Houten, H. E. Callison, L. D. Smith and Amos Hall.

Among those from a distance attending the last rites were Mrs. F. P. Neuschafer, Mr. and Mrs. Roe Neuschafer and children, Charles and Carolyn; Mr. and Mrs. Gentry Palmer and Chester, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Palmer, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Neuschafer, Mr. and Mrs. B. E. Perkerson and Mr. and Mrs. B. C. Stuart all of Center; Mrs. Beulah Jordan, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Greenough and Terry all of Manhattan, Kans.; Mr. and Mrs. Darwin Cunningham and Johnny of Shawnee, Kans.; Leland Wheeler of Waukegan, Ill.; Mrs. Edith Rash of Shelby, Mr. and Mrs. H. P. Arnold of Macon, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Kelso, Weldon Bigelow, Mrs. Mariette Duncan, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Gunby, Mr. and Mrs. Louis Neuschafer, Mrs. Sarah Werr, Mr. and Mrs. Everez Werr, Willie Claussen and daughters all of Shelbyville, Mr. and Mrs. Al Rathjen of Leonard.