

JAMES B. RAY

James B. Ray, 94, passed away at his home Thursday afternoon at three o'clock following an illness of fourteen months. In May, 1941 he suffered a stroke of paralysis from which he never recovered.

For several years Mr. Ray has held the distinction of being the only Civil War veteran living in Clarence.

Funeral services were conducted Saturday afternoon at three o'clock at the Baptist church where he held his membership. Rev. Geo. W. Lamken officiated. Burial was in the Maplewood cemetery. Members of Clarence Memorial Post No. 299 marched in a body from the church to the cemetery where they held graveside military services. On behalf of the American Legion, the United States flag that had draped the casket was presented to Mr. Ray's daughter, Mrs. Wan Stinson.

Born October 19, 1847 in Miami, Butler county, Ohio, he was the son of David and Martha Ray. At the age of five years his family moved to Mt. Sterling, Ill. When only 17 years old he enlisted in the Union Army and served during the remainder of the war. Soon after finishing he was assigned to the 14th Illinois Infantry Co. B, his company taking part in General Sherman's march to the sea. In November, 1865 he received his discharge. The following month he came to Missouri and became interested in farming.

On August 18, 1871 he was married to Miss Melissa Clutter, who preceded him in death October 8, 1939. Nine children were born to this union, two of whom died in infancy. Those surviving are two daughters, Mrs. Wm. Stinson, of Clarence and Mrs. J. H. Clark, of Hannibal, five sons, Ruffa, Lewis and Lonnie Ray, all of the home, Eugene and Elmer Ray, of Omaha, Nebr., 16 grandchildren and 20 great grandchildren.

Among those from out of town who attended the services Saturday afternoon were Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Clark, Mr. and Mrs. Lonnie Rouse and son, James, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Johnson and son, Donald, Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Clark, Mrs. Opal Trantum and daughter, Betty, and Mrs. Charles Owens, all of Hannibal; Mrs. Lonnie Hughes and children, Betty and Clifton, of St. Louis, and Eugene Ray, of Chester, Nebr.

MISS EMMA J. BORING

Miss Emma Jennie Boring passed away July 14 at the home of her brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Boring. Funeral services were held this afternoon at two o'clock at the Center Street Methodist church with Rev. G. E. Poole officiating.

She was born at Clarence January 31, 1875. Miss Emma, as she was familiarly called, was a capable business woman. For many years she was connected with business interests of Clarence and after leaving Clarence held several positions in various other locations in Missouri and Kansas. Her greatest pleasure was in doing for others.

She was a member of the Delta Alpha Sunday school class and also a charter member of the Clarence Chapter O. E. S. No. 79.

She is survived by two sisters and two brothers, Mrs. J. O. Taylor, of Savannah, Mrs. Clara B. Carroll of Carlton, Ore., Harry M. Boring of Fort Smith, Ark., and Frank W. Boring of Clarence, all of whom were present at her last

MRS. L. J. WEBDELL
Mrs. L. J. Webdell passed away yesterday evening at seven o'clock at her home in the east part of Clarence following an illness of four days. Funeral services will be held tomorrow afternoon at 2:30 at the Methodist church where she was a member. Rev. G. E. Poole will conduct the services, assisted by Rev. Geo. W. Lamken, pastor of the Baptist church.

As Ora Bell Harris, she was born in Sept. 1878 in Monroe county. With the family she moved to a farm northeast of Clarence where she lived several years.

On March 2, 1921 she was married to Lewis J. Webdell, the ceremony being performed in Macon. Following their marriage they spent one year in Hannibal where he was in the drug business. Later they purchased a farm near Lentner where they lived 14 years. Since October, 1940 they have lived in Clarence.

Previous to her marriage to Mr. Webdell she was engaged in the dressmaking business in St. Louis.

In addition to her husband she is survived by two brothers, Arthur T. Harris of Clarence and W. Ed Harris of Lentner. Two sisters, Misses Pearl and Mollie, and one brother, Lee, passed away in February, 1935, and another sister, Miss Mattie, passed away in March, 1942.

Burial will be made in Maplewood cemetery.

F. M. OWEN

Francis Mitchell Owen passed away Friday afternoon at four o'clock at his home in Clarence following a paralytic stroke he suffered Tuesday. Funeral services were held at the Christian church at 2:30 o'clock Sunday afternoon conducted by Rev. E. M. Martin. Burial was at Union cemetery south of Clarence.

Born Sept. 18, 1870 in Winchester, Ky., he was the son of Robert T. and Sally Ann Owen. On Jan. 24, 1895 he was married to Miss Martha Farmer. For 43 years he lived in and near Clarence. As long as his health permitted he was engaged in the carpenter trade.

He was a member of the Methodist church.

In addition to his wife he is survived by one sister, Mrs. Pearl King, of Winchester, Ky., several nieces and nephews.

Those attending the funeral from out of town were Mrs. Elmer Daniel, Chicago, Ill.; Miss Nell Farmer, Kansas City, Mo.; Mr. and Mrs. Bill Chitwood and daughter, Shirley, Bevier, Mo. and Mrs. O. H. Farmer and daughter, Joyce, Kirksville.

BEVERLY MAUPIN

Beverly Maupin, four year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Weeks Maupin, of Purden, passed away in the Grim-Smith hospital at Kirksville at 2:30 o'clock Tuesday morning. Funeral services were held this afternoon at the Oak Ridge Baptist church. Burial was in the Oak Ridge cemetery.

She became ill one week ago and was taken to a Brookfield hospital. On Saturday she was removed to Kirksville.

Besides her parents she is survived by one sister, Barbara, aged nine, maternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Garnet Threlkeld, near Lentner, and a paternal grandfather, W. B. Maupin, near Lentner, her maternal grandmother, the former Miss Elsie Baker, sister of Mrs. John Cox, Mrs. Nettie Wood and Mrs. W. A. Dent, having passed away several years ago.

Mrs. H. J. Naylor Passes Away Wednesday Evening

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Deaths angel called last Wednesday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Harry J. Naylor and little daughter, Mary Virginia, and at 5:45 kissed down the eyelids still of one of our most beloved citizens, the mother, Nellie Mae Naylor.

Mrs. Naylor had been ill but a short time and her untimely death spread a veil of sorrow over the entire community, in which she had grown to womanhood, and in which she enjoyed the love and respect of all.

Our lives are like songs, God gives us the time and the deeds, and we set them to music as we journey through life. The song grows, sad, or sweet or glad, as we choose to fashion the measure. Nellie Mae Naylor chose to make her life sweet and glad and she so fashioned it that many in the old home community will greatly miss her charming personality and friendly smile.

It is not hard to write of the passing of the rugged old pioneer who has lived a life of usefulness and a well rounded out career, but we stand helplessly at the grave at the passing of one so young and in the prime of life with every promise of many years of usefulness to family and friends stretching out before them. It passeth all understanding and all we can do is to bow our heads in humble submission to His will and with that hope born of Christian faith trust that all is well.

Nellie Mae Naylor passed away at her home in Clarence Wednesday, Sept. 25, at 5:45 p. m., after a short illness.

She was the daughter of Joseph J. and Mary E. Loft, and was born at Cherry Box, Mo., April 22, 1897. She was married to Harry J. Naylor December 23, 1920. To this union was born one daughter, Mary Virginia, December 6, 1931.

Besides the husband and daughter, she is survived by two sisters, Eva Baker of Macon, Mo., Elsie Roy of Chicago, Ill., and three brothers, Lon, of Tulsa, Okla.; Guy, of Clarence, and Ernest of Oklahoma City, Okla. Her eldest brother, Elmer, of Shelbina, preceded her Dec. 28, 1941. She also leaves several uncles and aunts, and thirteen nephews and nieces.

She spent her entire life in the vicinity of Clarence, and her friends were numbered by those who knew her.

Funeral services were conducted by Rev. G. E. Poole at the Methodist church Saturday, Sept. 26, at 2 p. m. Interment was at Maplewood cemetery.

GARY LEE BUSH

Gary Lee, 11 month old son of Mr. and Mrs. Lee Bush of Shelbina passed away Monday afternoon at 5:30 o'clock. He was born April 8, 1942 and had never been strong since birth. For three days he had been seriously ill. Besides his parents he is survived by one sister, Clara Elizabeth, aged four, one brother, aged three, his paternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Bush, of St. Louis and maternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Wear, of Shelbina.

Funeral services were held yesterday afternoon at the Million-Barkeley Funeral Home conducted by Rev. F. Crockett, Baptist minister. Burial was in the Shelbina cemetery.

DEATHS DURING THE PAST WEEK Mar 1943

John David Phillips passed away Sunday morning at 9:20 o'clock at his home ten miles northwest of Clarence. Although he had been in failing health for one year, his condition had been considered serious only a few days before his death.

Funeral rites will be held tomorrow afternoon from Mt. Zion Methodist church where he was a member. Burial will be in the church cemetery.

His entire life was spent in farming.

He was born Aug. 29, 1869 in West Virginia. About 38 years ago he moved to Missouri where he met and married Miss Sadie Purdy, who survives with five children, Mrs. Gertrude Crawford of Kansas City, Miss Hazel Phillips of Portland, Ore., Miss Virginia Phillips of St. Louis, Arnie Phillips of Fort Dodge, Iowa, and Clarence of the home. In addition to his wife and children he is survived by five grandchildren, one great grandchild, one nephew, George Bixby, who since infancy, has lived with Mr. and Mrs. Phillips until he began work in Kansas City a short time ago. He is also survived by two sisters, Mrs. Lydia Franklin of California and Mrs. Mary Reed of Cincinnati, Ohio, and three brothers, James and Benjamin of West Virginia, and Ernest Phillips of Portland, Ore.

EVERETT WOOD

Everett Wood, 78, passed away suddenly at his home in Leesburg Sunday afternoon.

Son of Stuart and Mary Wood, he was born Sept. 20, 1863 near Leesburg where his entire life has been spent.

In September, 1906 he married Miss Lena Crosby and to this union four children were born, Marvin, Marshall and Mrs. Myrtle Slater, all living in the Leesburg community and Chester Olin, who died in infancy.

Mr. Wood was an active member of the Methodist church at Leesburg where funeral services were held Tuesday morning conducted by Rev. Russell. Burial was in the Phillips cemetery northwest of Leesburg.

Besides his wife and children he is survived by two grandsons, Dale M. Wood and Jackie Lee Slater, three sisters, Mrs. Tod Davis and Mrs. W. J. Daniel of Clarence and Mrs. Margaret Tisue of Leesburg, a step-mother, Mrs. Hattie Wood, of Clarence and three half-brothers, Elmer Wood of near Maud, Erbie of Clarence and Ernest H. Wood, east of Clarence.

HERBERT SHIMP DIES

Mr. and Mrs. O. O. Hedrick received a telegram Sunday telling of the death of Herbert Shimp of Wilmette, Ill. Mr. Shimp is survived by his wife, the former Miss Hazel Dale, daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Rufe Dale, former Clarence residents.