

John Benjamin Wester

Again the death angel has appeared and this time has taken to his reward, John Benjamin Wester, the eldest child of John and Barbara Wester.

Ben, as he was familiarly known, was born northeast of Bethel, Shelby county, Mo., on April 19, 1887. Had he lived 11 more days he would have been 51 years of age. He passed away after a short illness Friday, April 8, 1938 at 9:20 a. m., at the Edward Hines Veterans' Hospital in Hines, Ill.

His father preceded him in death 11 years ago last January; his mother passed away last December. He leaves to mourn his passing a devoted sister and brother, Mrs. Owen Quinley and J. D. Wester.

He was united in marriage to Mrs. Lora Lette. This wife also preceded him in death, Oct. 31, 1935. Also to precede him were three sisters, Honora and Susanna Wensel and Mrs. Rachel Purdy, and one brother, David.

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DEATH OF JOHN WENSEL

John Alexander Wensel was born July 12, 1859 at Kittanning, Pa., and departed this life Feb. 15, 1937 at Clarence, Mo. He was the son of Elias and Keesh Wensel. The family moved to Missouri in 1868 and Mr. Wensel spent the remainder of his life in this community with the exception of eight years which he spent in Oklahoma. He was a member of the Presbyterian church.

September 26, 1886 he was united in marriage to Sarah E. Taylor of this community. To this union one son was born, Charles E. Wensel, of Tarkio, Mo. His wife preceded him in death Jan. 4, 1890. Mr. Wensel remained single for 37 years, then on Dec. 31, 1927 he was united in marriage to Mrs. Lora Lette. This wife also preceded him in death, Oct. 31, 1935.

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George Theophilus Waite, son of Theophilus and Lucinda Waite, was born February 18, 1870 in Shelby county, Mo., where he lived until the spring of 1931 when he and his wife moved to Montana. George T. Waite and Lulu Kimm-ly were united in marriage March 28, 1894. To this union two sons were born, Herschel Everett Waite, of Wyoming, and George Earl Waite, who died in infancy. Lulu Waite preceded him in death July 2, 1900. He was again married to Rosom Leona Hummer, October 10, 1923.

DEATH OF MRS. TRUSSSELL

C. T. Trussell received a message Wednesday announcing the serious illness of his mother, Mrs. Mattie Trussell, at Bogard, Mo. Mr. Trussell immediately left for her bedside and she passed away at 7 o'clock Sunday morning, Jan. 10, Mrs. Trussell and two sons, Tren-outh and Herman, and Mr. and Mrs. Homer Daniel left Sunday and attended the funeral on Monday at one o'clock, Jan. 11. Mrs. Trussell has visited here at different times and has a number of acquaintances in Clarence.

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While a member of the Eastern Star for 35 years, her interests were almost entirely within her own home and family.

She passed away at the Wine home after a very brief illness, at 7:45 p. m., Tuesday, September 10, 1937.

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FEW HOURS ILLNESS

Clyde Harth Whites, son of Lewis and Lucy Ann Whites was born November 27, 1874 on the Whites farm 9 miles south of Clarence, Mo., where he lived the most of his life with the exception of one year that was spent in the state of Kentucky.

On July 11, 1897 he was united in marriage to Effie Florence Whites of this vicinity and to this union four children, three daughters and one son, were born, namely, Mrs. Ruby Owen of Vinita, Kan., Mrs. Leta Branstetter, of Mexico, Mo., Mrs. Gladys Dan-ner, of Bevier, Mo., and Gilbert Whites, at home.

In the summer of 1907 during a revival meeting held at Union church he was converted and united with the Baptist church, Bro. M. I. Hether being pastor of the church at that time.

Besides his devoted wife, his four children and his dear little granddaughter, Doris June Danner, he leaves to mourn his going one brother, Millard F. Whites, who made his home with Clyde and wife for many years; also one sister, Mrs. Dora Bachstein, of near Clarence.

His father, mother, three sisters and one brother preceded him in death.

He leaves an aged father-in-law and mother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Wilson, and many relatives who are so grieved because of his going.

In March of this year, he and his wife moved to Clarence, Mo., to make their home and they were so happy in this new home, when in Dec. 16, 1936 he passed quietly away after a few hours illness.

Clyde was a good citizen and will be greatly missed by a host of friends and neighbors.

DEATH OF BYRON POE

Byron Poe passed away Tuesday evening at 8:30 at his farm home five miles northeast of Clarence. He is survived by his widow, Mrs. Cora Poe and the following children: Fred of the home; Mrs. Horace Davis and Mrs. Jesse Tim-brook, both of Clarence.

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