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Mrs. W. G. Keel Dies at Home Here

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Final Rites to be Held This Afternoon.

Mrs. W. G. Keel, 65, passed away at her home here at 10:00 o'clock Monday night, January 15. Her death followed a 15 months' illness.

Daughter of John A. and Harriet Barnes Hubble, Mrs. Keel was born on the old family homestead near Redman on December 5, 1874, and practically her entire life was spent in that vicinity. She had liv- in this city since December 5.

On December 2, 1898 she was married to William Grady Keel, who survives with their three children: Mrs. Floyd Suits, Lowell Keel, both of Clarence, and Miss Mona Keel, of the home.

She also leaves three sisters and one brother, Mrs. Eva Honaker, of Clarence, Mrs. Ella Axt of Perry, Mo., Mrs. Bertha Huett and I. T. Hubble of Clarence. Three brothers, Jim, Frank and Charles, predeceased her.

Also surviving are three grandchildren, Marjorie Sue Keel, Shirley Rose Suits and Barbara Lou Keel. One grandson, William Eugene Keel, preceded her in death.

Funeral services will be held this afternoon (Wednesday) at the Mt. Zion church, near Redman, at 2:00 o'clock. Interment will be in the church cemetery.

Mrs. Rudolph Resa Passes Away

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Mrs. Rudolph Resa passed away at her home here at 4:05 p. m. Friday, May 26. Her death followed several months of critical illness.

As Frances Josephine Spivey, she was born in Ross county, Ohio, July 4, 1856, a daughter of Henry and Cena Spivey. On March 31, 1873 she was married to Rudolph Resa in Mt. Pulaski, Ill. The couple lived in Blue Mound and Stonington, Ill., for several years, after which they moved to Clarence, Mo., where they have since made their home.

Mrs. Resa's religious affiliation was with the Baptist church, and she lived a devout Christian life She will be sadly missed by all who knew her.

Surviving relatives include her husband and five children, namely: Mrs. Luther Moore, Mrs. Tandy Maupin, Will Resa, Clarence; Mrs. Nelson Mayfield, Cleveland, Okla.; and Mrs. Fred Kuhner, Quincy, Ill. She also leaves 9 grandchildren and ten great grandchildren besides a host of friends.

Funeral services were conducted from the home Sunday afternoon at 2:00 o'clock, with the Rev. George W. Lamken, pastor of the local Baptist church, officiating. Interment was in Maplewood cemetery.

Mrs. Julia F. Crail Passes Away

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Mrs. Julia F. Crail passed away here at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Hugo Langenbach, at 12:30 a. m. Thursday morning following a brief illness of influenza.

The only child of Thomas W. and Sarah (McGarry) Young, she was born in Rome, Ohio, January 10, 1865, being 74 years, 2 months and 13 days old at the time of her death.

She was united in marriage to Charles A. Crail in Camnel county, Ky., June 25, 1884, who preceded her in death Jan. 5, 1933. To this union nine children were born, namely: Mrs. Sarah A. Rosson of Hamilton, Ohio; Willie E., of Algona, Iowa; Flora M. Langenbach, Mable P. Harris, of Clarence; Bertha M. Middlebrook, Margaret F. Yeoman, Colorado Springs, Colo.; Charles A., Jr., Macon, Mo.; and Mrs. Ruth McCutcheon, of Manitou Springs, Colo. One daughter, Goldie, preceded her in death July 9, 1897. She also leaves seven ndchildren, Mae Pearl Hard-e, Delmont and Lamar Crail va; Dorothea F. Smith, Hazel nbach, Clarence; Bernidean an, Manitou Springs, Colo., Wardell Crail of Ten Mile, and great grandchild, John Edward Hardgrove.

She and her husband resided in Kentucky when first married. In 1896 they came to Missouri and have lived in and near Clarence ever since.

Funeral services were conducted at 2:00 o'clock Saturday afternoon by Rev. Elba Martin at the Christian church. Pall bearers were Albert D. Long, Dr. F. O. Holland, J. B. Willey, Bert Janes, Newt Williams and E. J. Jacobs. Interment was in Maplewood cemetery.

William S. Orr

William S. Orr was born in Glenboro, Ky., February 28, 1859 and passed away from the home of his daughter, Mrs. Ethel Sherwood, in Green City, Mo., May 20, 1939 at the age of 80 years, 3 months and 22 days. Death was caused from pneumonia. He was the youngest of a family of nine children.

Mr. Orr came to Missouri with his parents when but a small boy, settling on a farm in Shelby county located between Hunnewell and Lakenan. He spent most of his life in Shelby county except for the past year and half spent in Green City. He had made his home with his daughter the last 17 years.

On February 11, 1886 he was united in marriage to Miss Mary C. McFadden and to this union two daughters were born. His wife and one daughter preceded him in death. He is survived by his daughter, Mrs. Sherwood, and her three children of Green City, and one brother, James H. Orr, of Ft. Collins, Colo.

When a boy of 14 years he united with the Christian church at Hunnewell and was always an intested and active member so long as his health permitted him to be.

So passes another soul from our midst.

Funeral services were held at the Christian church at Shelbina Monday afternoon at 1:30 o'clock, with the Rev. Kline officiating. Interment was in the Shelbina cemetery.

Stephen Fee Barton Dead

Stephen Fee Barton, son of Morgan P. and Elizabeth A. McBroom Barton, was born on the Old Barton Homestead south of Lentner Feb. 13, 1858.

His father died in Alton, Ill., while a Confederate prisoner, of that much dreaded disease, smallpox, leaving his widow with nine children, the youngest, Morgan H., only six months of age. He took his place as best he could with the other boys, being like a father to the mother and baby brother. His brothers and sisters were Geo. W., John S., Sarrah G., Mary S., Nancy J., Squire P., William W., and Morgan H.

"Uncle Fee" was converted under Rev. J. B. Culpepper during a tent revival in the fall of 1895. He united with the Bacon Chapel church and no matter where his home was he always claimed old Bacon Chapel as his church home. He was true to his maker, living every day of his life as best he could.

On Oct. 28, 1891 he was married to Miss Susie E. Smith of near Enterprise, Mo., and to this union were born nine children, six boys and three girls. A little baby girl who came to bless this home was soon taken. Carrie White Barton Bennet died July 1, 1918, leaving two little girls, whom she gave to her mother and father while on her deathbed. Then on Feb. 8, 1928 they were called upon to give up a grown son, Shelby. On Nov. 13, 1930 they gave up another son, Fletcher. All these seemed to make "Uncle Fee"" "see the lights of home" very strong.

He spent his entire life of 81 years and four days in Shelby county in the vicinity of Lentner, Hagers Grove and Clarence where he passed out of this life on Friday morning, February 17, 1939, after having read the morning paper. He must have heard the Master's call, as he lay down on the couch and closed his eyes in death.

He leaves his widow, four sons and one daughter namely, James L., of Moberly; Nelson B., of Clarence; Willie S., of Brookfield; Mrs. Arthur Graves of Cairo; and Thornton of Hagers Grove; two aged brothers, Squire P., of Lentner and William W., of Liberty; ten grandchildren, many neices, nephews and cousins and a host of friends.

Funeral services were conducted at Bacon Chapel Sunday afternoon, February 19, at 2:00 o'clock, with the Rev. L. C. Maggart of Shelbina officiating. Burial was at Bacon Chapel.

Prominent Clarence Attorney Passed Away Saturday.

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William Loren Hamrick, well known lawyer, passed away at his home in Clarence Saturday afternoon, April 29, at 4:20 o'clock following several months of ill health.

He was born November 27, 1866 on a farm ten miles north of Clarence, the son of William F. and Martha J. Shelton Hamrick who came to Shelby county from Kentucky in 1856. Mr. Hamrick attended the public schools of the rural districts of Shelby county, following which he attended the Missouri State Normal College at Kirksville, Mo., for three years. He taught in the rural schools of Shelby county for sixteen years; a part of that time he was principal of the Leonard public school. In the meantime he had applied himself to reading law, and in April, 1903 in the circuit court of Shelby county he was admitted to the Bar Association.

In February, 1904 Mr. Hamrick opened his law office in the McCully building in Clarence, where he has since had a general civil and criminal practice in both the circuit and federal courts of Shelby and adjoining counties, and has been identified with much important litigation in the federal court at Hannibal. In April, 1904 Mr. Hamrick was appointed city attorney of Clarence, an office which he has filled continually since that time. A staunch Democrat, he was elected prosecuting attorney of Shelby county in November, 1908 and reelected to the office in November, 1910, discharging the duties of his position with ability and energy until 1913. He occupied a high position in his profession. During the World War he gave the major portion of one year's time to work as a member of the Legal Advisory Board of Shelby county, in addition he assisted materially in all the drives and war movements.

Mr. Hamrick's religious connection was with the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, of Clarence. He was prominent in fraternal circles, being a member of Clarence Lodge No. 662, A. F. & A. M., of which he served many years as Worshipful Master, and Clarence Chapter No. 79 Order Eastern Stars, of which at the time of his death he was Worthy Patron. Mr. Hamrick served as District Deputy Grand Master and District Lecturer of the Fourteenth Masonic District of Missouri, composed of Macon and Shelby counties, from January, 1918 until October, 1928. He was also a member of Clarence Camp Modern Woodmen of America.

Mr. Hamrick, during his law practice of 35 years, gained recognition as a lawyer of solid attainments, his clientage steadily grew, and his professional life was one of constant and laborious employment up to within a few months of his death. The time that he has given freely and generously to serve the community has been the valuable possession of a busy man, but he did not by participation in public affairs fail of diligent and faithful care for the interests of his law clients. His preparation of cases was marked by the most painstaking attention to detail and exhaustive examination of authorities. From his youth he was an interested student of history and of the development of government and of law; it was the habit of his mind to refer and test all questions in reference to principles. In trials Mr. Hamrick was fair and candid with the court, presenting no theories or propositions which he did not believe to be sound, always supporting his contentions with force, courage and tenacity. His benevolence and acts of kindness were many, ministering to others less fortunate than he. He was a loyal, true American, and held the confidence and esteem of the entire community [illegible] his honesty, fairness and i[illegible]st in all developments of the to[illegible] in which he lived.