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**Mrs. Wood, 34,
succumbs After
ing Illness** *Dec 1954*

Mrs. Russell Wood, 34, passed away at 10 o'clock Monday morning in Samaritan hospital following an extended illness. Hazel Eileen Ralls Wood was born on May 17, 1923 near Hagers Grove, the daughter of Dan B. and Laura Harland Ralls. She was graduated from the Clarence high school with the first class and on Jan. 20, 1946, she was united in marriage to Russell Wood who survives. She had been employed at the Sickal Supply store.

With the husband survivors were her parents, a sister, Mrs. Albert Sickal and a brother, Kenneth Ralls, all of Clarence and nephews and nieces. A father, Carl C. Ralls, preceded her in 1943.

The body lay in state in the Greening Funeral Home until the hour of services.

Last rites were held Wednesday afternoon from the Christian church with Lyle Armstrong, pastor, officiating at 2 o'clock. Graveside prayers were held and interment made in pleewood cemetery.

Umbasketbearers included Anson Meadows, Robert J. Vick, William Oliver, Weldon White, Monroe Smock and Paul twins.

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**Frank Wilt, 92,
died Yesterday
at Fort Madison**

Frank Wilt, 92, retired farmer of Clarence and this vicinity, passed away Monday morning at 5 in the home of his daughter, son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Lee inner of Fort Madison, Iowa. Mr. and Mrs. Wilt had made their home with their children in Iowa some time.

Mr. Wilt was born on Oct. 1, 1862, at Convoy, Ohio, and was united in marriage to Miss Mary Caroline Prange on Nov. 29, 1894, in Clarence. He was a member of the Methodist church.

Survivors include his widow, three daughters, Mrs. J. E. (May) Bostwick of Keokuk, Iowa; Mrs. Bert (Elsie) West of Argyle, Iowa; Mrs. Lee (Katie) Skinner of Macon; Miss Inez Wilt of Fort Madison; a son J. W. Wilt of Moberly; a sister, Mrs. Ella Railing of Moberly, Ohio; nine grandchildren and eight great grandchildren.

Funeral services were held at 10 o'clock Wednesday afternoon in the Hall Funeral Home with the Rev. Carl Wilson officiating. Interment was made in Hill Crest Memorial Park at Fort Madison.

**D. O. Wood, 75,
Died at His Home
Early Tuesday** *1955*

D. O. Wood passed away at his home at 1:30 a.m. Tuesday following an illness of several weeks.

He was born in Monroe county, near Duncans Bridge, on Oct. 11, 1879, the son of the late Cale and Amanda Wilson Wood. He was united in marriage to Miss Clara Currier on Sept. 6, 1904, and they were privileged to celebrate their golden wedding anniversary last September. They have been residents of Clarence for 19 years.

Survivors include his wife, a daughter, (Dena) Mrs. Delbert Skinner; two sons, Chester Wood of Clarence and Emmett Wood of Terre Haute, Ind.; grandchildren, one great grandchild and other relatives. A daughter died in infancy.

The body lay in state in the Greening Funeral Home until 2 o'clock Thursday afternoon when last rites were held from Center Street Methodist church, Rev. H. L. Rigsby of Macon officiated, assisted by Rev. M. M. Thorne, pastor of the church. Committal services were held in Phillips cemetery west of Duncans Bridge.

Casket bearers included W. C. Jones, George Griffin, Charles Trussell, Ferd Copenhaver, Arch Weems and Elwyn Jones.

September 18, 1950

**Rites Sunday for
Mrs. Hattie White**

**102-Year-Old Macon Woman
Dies at Daughter's Home**

Mrs. Hattie L. White, 102-year-old Macon woman, died at 12:30 o'clock this morning at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Ralph Talbot.

Funeral services will be held at 2 p. m. Sunday, Nov. 19, at the Albert Skinner Home for Funerals, conducted by the Rev. Wilbur R. Watkins, pastor of the First Christian Church of which Mrs. White had been a member for 65 years. Burial will be in the Oakwood Cemetery.

Mrs. White, who was the only daughter of Amanda and Peter Ryther, was born Aug. 15, 1848 at Athens, O. She came to Missouri in 1865 to teach school at Ten Mile.

She was married in 1866 to William Dixon, and to their union was born one son, Alvin Dixon of Okmulgee, Okla., who survives.

She was married to Mark White in 1880 and they were the parents of a son and a daughter who also survive. They are Mrs. Ralph Talbot and Mark White, both of Macon.

Besides her children Mrs. White leaves a number of grandchildren, great grandchildren, other relatives and many friends.

The body will lie in state at the Home for Funerals until the hour of services.

**Mrs. Wilt, 85,
Former Resident
Died Saturday**

Mrs. Frank Wilt, 85, former Clarence resident, passed away Saturday morning, Sept. 28, at 12:40 o'clock at Fort Madison, Iowa. She had been in failing health for two years and seriously ill for two months.

Mary Caroline Prange Wilt was born on March 21, 1872, at Hagers Grove, the daughter of the late John and Catherine Prange. She was united in marriage to Frank Wilt on Nov. 29, 1894, at Hagers Grove. The home was made in this area for years where the family was reared. After retiring Mr. and Mrs. Wilt lived in Clarence before going to Fort Madison to be with their children. She was a member of Center Street Methodist church at Clarence.

Survivors include a son, J. W. Wilt of Moberly, three daughters, Mrs. J. E. (Mae) Bostwick of Montrose, Iowa, Mrs. Bert (Elsie) West of Argyle, Iowa, and Miss Inez West of Fort Madison, Iowa; nine grandchildren and 11 great grandchildren.

She was preceded by her parents, her husband, a daughter, three sisters and two brothers.

The body lay in state at the Hall Funeral Home at Fort Madison where last rites were held at 2 o'clock Monday afternoon. The Rev. Carl Wilson, pastor of the First Methodist church, officiated and interment was made in Hill Crest Memorial Park cemetery at Fort Madison.

Those from Clarence and vicinity to attend the last rites were Mr. and Mrs. John Echternacht, Albert Echternacht and Mr. and Mrs. Percy Vandiver all of near Leonard, Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Neuschafer, Mr. and Mrs. William Easdale and Mr. and Mrs. Donald Watkins all of Shelbyville, Mr. and Mrs. Perry Gingrich of Clarence and Mrs. Katie Orbin of Macon.

**W. W. Painter, 74,
Hunnell
Died Suddenly** *1957*

William Walter Painter, 74, of Hunnwell died suddenly at 1:45 p.m. Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. L. Milan Landrum where he and his wife had been dinner guests.

Mr. Painter, brother of Charles P. Painter of Hannibal, former Clarence resident, was widely known over the county. He was born on Oct. 17, 1883, the son of Jacob and Ella Peters Painter of Whitehall, Ill. Most of his life was spent in the Hunnwell community.

Survivors include the widow, Mrs. Lotus Hamilton Painter, a brother, Charles P. Painter of Hannibal; two sisters, Mrs. James Patterson of Hunnwell and Mrs. A. A. Swartz of Davenport, Okla.; two stepsons and a step daughter, 16 grandchildren and other relatives.

Last rites were conducted Wednesday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock from the Hunnwell Methodist church with the Rev. Ellis Turner officiating. Burial followed in the IOOF cemetery at Hunnwell.

**Last Rites For
R. L. Coleman, 27,
Held Tuesday** *1955*

Funeral services for Robert Laverne Coleman, 27, who was fatally injured about 1:35 o'clock Sunday morning in a one-car accident were held Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock at Greening's Funeral Home conducted by the Rev. Ralph LaChance. Burial followed in Maplewood cemetery where military rites were conducted by members of the American Legion and Veterans of Foreign Wars.

Pallbearers were Gene Johnston, Howard Boling, Junior Subke, Edward Reffert, Marion Bryant and Kenneth Todd. Harold Stewart was in command of the military detail.

According to a report of the highway patrol, Coleman was driving his car east on highway 36 when the mishap occurred. The right wheels are reported to have left the pavement and when he attempted to get the car back in its traffic lane he lost control. The car careened across the highway and turned over at a point only a short distance west of the Macon-Shelby county line, pinning the driver underneath. He was taken to Samaritan hospital at Macon where he died about five hours later. Walker D. Brewington, 49, a passenger in the car was treated at Samaritan for minor injuries.

The body was taken to the home of the victim's parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Coleman, to await the funeral hour and services were held at the funeral home.

Obituary

Mr. Coleman was born in Clarence on Nov. 23, 1927, and served in the European theatre during World War II. For several months he had been employed at Daniel's Skelly service station here.

In addition to his parents, he is survived by two sisters, Mrs. Waneta Means of Macon and Mrs. Ruby Rowena Orenshaw of Fremont, Ohio; and four brothers, Arlie Harold Coleman and Josiah Franklin Coleman of Hazel Park, Mich., Richard Herbert Coleman of Davenport, Iowa, and Edward Denver Coleman of Clarence. One brother and one sister preceded him in death.

June 1956
**Mrs. Etta Scott
Dies at Macon**

Mrs. Etta Jane Scott, 85, of near Clarence died Sunday afternoon in Lake View rest home near Macon where she had been a patient for some time.

She was born on June 10, 1871, in Randolph county, the daughter of the late John and Susan Hudson Scott. She was married to Henry Scott and the greater part of their lives was spent on a farm near Clarence. Mr. Scott preceded her in 1945 and a daughter also preceded her.

Survivors include three daughters, Mrs. Jessie McAfee of Anabel, Mrs. Alice Richardson of Atlanta and Mrs. Mollie Manning of Macon; two sons, John Scott of Anabel and Roy Scott of Rock Island, Ill.; five grandchildren, eight great grandchildren and other relatives.

Last rites were held Tuesday afternoon at Mt. Zion church near Redman with the Rev. J. L. Shoemaker officiating and burial followed in the church cemetery.

The body rested in the Greening Funeral Home until the hour of services.

**Last Rites For
M. W. Ray, 67,
Held Sunday** *1954*

Martin W. Ray, 67, well known farmer of this community, passed away Friday morning at his home north of Lentner. He had been in ill health for some time.

He is survived by his wife, the former Miss Ethel Renner; a brother, Everett Ray of Philadelphia, Mo.; two sisters, Mrs. Henry Carroll of Kirkwood and Mrs. W. E. Day of Kansas City; two nieces and a nephew.

The body rested in the Greening Funeral Home until two o'clock Sunday when last rites were held from Bacon Chapel east of town. The Rev. William Knowles officiated and interment was made in the church cemetery.

Pallbearers were Robert Wynn, Otis Renner, Clarence Edgar Renner, Russell Smith, Lawrence Edmondson and Clarence Renner.

**M. M. Montgomery,
Of Near Leonard
Died Sunday**

Merton M. Montgomery, 68, a farmer of near Leonard died Sunday night at 7, in the Samaritan Hospital at Macon, where he had been a patient since Tuesday with a heart condition. He had been in ill health for sometime.

Funeral services were held Tuesday afternoon at 2 in Hagers Grove at the Christian Church. Rev. Howard Merchant of Clarence officiated. Greening Funeral Home of Shelbyville was in charge of arrangements and he was buried in the church cemetery.

Mr. Montgomery was born Feb. 13, 1891, near Leonard, a son of J. H. and Hattie Goodwin Montgomery. He is survived by his wife, Elva; a son, Billy, both of the home; two sisters, Mrs. Jewell Gupton, of Shelbyville and Miss Alpha Montgomery, of Wichita, Kansas, and other relatives.

**Mrs. George Orr
Of Shelbina
Dies Sunday**

Funeral services for Mrs. George Orr, 72, of Shelbina, were held Monday afternoon at the Hayes Funeral Home in Shelbina. Rev. Dudley Kern, Baptist minister, officiated. Burial was in the Shelbina cemetery.

Mrs. Orr suffered a stroke almost two years ago, and had been a resident of the Pleasant Hill Rest Home at Shelbyville since. She passed away at the Rest Home Sunday morning.

Mrs. Orr was the former Hattie Evelyn Noel, born January 27, 1887, southeast of Clarence. She was the daughter of Edwin P. and Hannah Oglesby Noel.

Early in life she was united with the Union Church south of here.

She was married on March 4, 1931, to George Orr, who died July 21, 1954. She was also preceded in death by five brothers, Thomas, Bert, James, Frank and John Noel, and one sister, Edith Noel.

Surviving are two sisters, Mrs. Henry White and Mrs. Lizzie Wood; a brother, Leslie W. Noel, all of Shelbina; several nieces and nephews including V. L. Noel of this city, Mrs. John W. Quinley of near here and Mrs. Jack Lorentz of Shelbina.