

## OBITUARIES AND DEATH NOTICES

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### INTRODUCTION

The following obits and memorial notices were taken from a microfilm copy of *The Eagle*, a newspaper published in Monroe County, Alabama. I purchased the microfilm from the Alabama Department of Archives and History October 2010. As you search the list, a few things to keep in mind that I extracted information as it was printed - typos, misspellings and all. And unfortunately, many months and years are missing.

Also note, I have compiled separate lists for marriages, births and community news.

I took a photo of each death/memorial notice. If you would like a jpg copy, feel free to [contact me](#).

At the head of the microfilm, there is this note about *The Eagle*:

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*The Eagle*, Edited for many years by A. R. Davison, was a semi-weekly newspaper for Monroe County's Afro-American community (*Kathy's note-a handful of whites are mentioned*). It was first published at Lovan, but later moved to Kempsville and Tunnel Springs. While focusing on church news and local correspondence, *The Eagle* also carried items of national importance and was a member of the National Negro Press Association. Our last available issue of this paper is dated October 29, 1914.

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### OBITUARIES

**EAST** - Kempsville, Ala, Nov 27, 1899. "Mr. and Mrs Mary East had the misfortune to get their baby strangle to death."

**FOUNTAIN**, Creasy - Kempsville, Ala., Dec 18, 1899. "...the widow of Amos Fountain. Age about 65 or 70 years old. The deceased was blind and has been so for over 30 years. She leaves a large family of children and grand-children to mourn her loss. Her death was not unexpected to her many friends. She suffered with her ailments a long time."

**FOUNTAIN** - Kempsville, Ala., Feb 1900. "The infant of Bettie Fountain."

**RANDALSON**, Cilla - Kempsville, Ala died Feb 15th, 1900. "The decease had been sick for two or three weeks before her demise. She has a large family of children and relatives to mourn her loss. She was a member of Amity church near this place for many years. The deceased had the bumps (variola) and was getting over them; but was caught in a rain and was relapsed and died on the day mentioned."

**LETT**, Isabella Lett - Kempsville, Ala. died Feb. 22. "The deceased had been ill for some time; but a few days before her demise she was taken worse and died as stated above."

**RANDALSON**, Johnny - Kempsville, Ala., March 9, 1900. "...the son of Peter and Sheppard Randalson died about 4 o'clock p.m. with pneumonia."

**STALLWORTH**, Rachel - March 23, 1900. "... the wife of Rev. Willie Stallworth. The deceased has been very sick for a number of months. Her death was not unexpected as she has been a sufferer from Cancer of the Breast for a long time. She leaves a husband and six children, four girls and two boys to mourn her death. The deceased was a member of Amity church for many years."

**MATTHEWS**, Julia - River Ridge, Ala., July 1, 1900. "... the former widow of John W. Davison, died at her home. The deceased has been sick for some time."

**MOSELEY**, Infant - June 1900. "The infant of Mr and Mrs Sam Moseley, alias, Sam Tight."

**BRAGG**, Reason - Kempsville, Ala., July 6, 1900. "...died of congestive chill. The deceased has been sick several days. Age was about 20 years. "

**SMITH**, Fanny - Mims, Ala, (date, location) "...was killed on the Hick's Plantation near the above place on Monday of last week; her head was beaten with an ax. Two Colored men, P. and F. Lewis, were arrested for the crime and lodged in jail at Monroeville, Ala."

**LETT**, Marace - Kempsville, Ala., March 23, 1900. "...a hand working on Ala. Southern railroad near Peterman, killed by the (?) car running over his body. We learned that he only lived about 30 minutes after the accident. He fell off the car while it was running."

**RICHARDSON** - Kempsville, Ala., Oct 1900. "The two little children of Mr. Thomas Richardson of Kempsville, Ala, died within an hour and a half of each other. They were placed in one coffin and in one grave."

**RICHARDSON**, Allan Sr - Beatrice, Ala., Nov. 26, 1900. "The deceased was a deacon of

Morning Star Baptist church of the above named place. The subject of this narrative was an old citizen of ante-bellum days; was well known by both White and Colored citizens. He saw a good deal of service and hardship in the Confederate war as a servant."

**MIMS**, Reuben R. (date unknown. obit appears in the April 12, 1901 edition of The Eagle) "We add our tribute to that of others which was paid yesterday to the memory of Reuben R. Mims, of this city. No man of color was as widely known in this community as the deceased and no more generally respected. He was a member of many civic organizations, and had long served with distinction as an officer of the volunteer troops, being major of the colored battalion, by commission of the governor of the state. Ever faithful in the performance of duty, ever cheerful, and of extreme courtesy in manner, he was respected by whites and blacks alike, and properly regarded as a worthy citizen. The general attendance of his funeral yesterday was the of the esteem. "

**BOYD**, Lucy - Pine Barren, Fla., March 11, 1901. "Mr. William Boyd lamenting the death of his wife who died at the little town of Pine Barren Fla. Sister Lucy Boyd was a member of the Missionary Baptist church of Ala, which she was a native of that state. She died with the hope in Jesus Christ."

**STALLWORTH**, Julia Ann - Kempsville, Ala., March 27, 1901. "... alias Julia A. Thompson formerly of Kempsville, Ala., but late of Brewton, Ala. The deceased leaves a host of children and grandchildren besides a large circle of friends to mourn her loss. The deceased was a christian lady and one who makes a favorable impression on all who chance to meet her."

**MILLENDER** - Kempsville, Ala., April 13, 1901. "Mr. and Mrs. Charley Millender of Kempsville, Ala., had the misfortune to loose their infant child."

**DUKE**, Will - Mobile, Ala., (date) "... formerly of Claiborne, Ala., but late of Mobile was shot and killed by Sam Tunstall. It is said they had a difficulty over a crap game. We learned that Sam Tunstall (?) jail at Monroeville, Ala."

**ROBERSON** - Carlisle, Ala., June 5, 1901. "The little son of Mr and Mrs George Roberson, of Carlisle, Ala., the remains was interred into Amity Cemetery."

**RICHARDSON**, Hannah - Kempsville, Ala., July 9, 1901. "... age about 70 or 75 years old. She was a member of Amity Baptist church."

**LETT**, Beckie - Kempsville, Ala., July 23, 1901. "The deceased had been sick about four or five months, hence her death was not unexpected. She was about 24 years of age."

**NETTLES** - Aug 31, 1901. "Mrs. Fanny Nettles, the widow of Livi Nettles had the misfortune of loosing her little son John, buried at Amity cemetery, by Rev. M. Mc(Corvey?)."

**RILEY**, Cessar - Pineville, Ala., Aug 22, 1901. "The deceased leaves a wife and many friends to mourn his loss. He was about 58 years old. His body was interred at Savannah's cemetery, Turnbull, Ala."

**BULLARD**, Sam - Claiborne, Ala., Nov 2, 1901. (Letter to the Editor) "Sadness is in our community over the killing of Mr. Sam Bullard of this place by Mr. Horace Frye. Mr. Sam Bullard had a wife and nine or ten children to mourn his loss. He was a good citizen and had many friends among both races. The murder of Mr. Bullard was of the deepest dye; and his slayer will not doubt have a dose of justice meted out to him at the spring term of the circuit Court for 1902."

**PORTER**, Lethy - 1901. "Sister Lethy, who was born in 1846 and died in 1901, which makes her fifty-two years old. She married M. Dennis Porter in Aug. 1869, she embraced the christian religion in 1870, which was thirty one years ago last May. She was the mother of twelve children five boys and seven girls, A husband and many friends to mourn her loss. She had her daughter to lead her to the grave, she made a bow to it; she had her daughter to take to Quill and to the corn field, she also bowed to each of them and bid farewell to all. She told her daughter not to look down for (?)"

**ANDRESS**, Fed - Buena Vista, Ala., Nov 8, 1901. "... a deacon of New Friendship baptist church. The deceased was well known throughout the bounds of the Colored Bethlehem Baptist association of which Rev. George Washington, of Mobile is moderator and A. R. Davison of Kempsville, Ala., is clerk. Brother Andress was about sixty five years old. We learned that deacon Andress was taken down with the dropsy of which he suffered greatly before his demise. His prayers will be missed in his usual circle. Dead but not forgotten."

**RICHARDSON**, Barrie - Feb 21, 1902. (Letter to the Editor) "Death has been here and carried one of our neighbors in the person of Mr. Barrie Richardson to his long home. He had embraced a hope in Christ about 2 o'clock on Friday and was very happy. He sent for Rev Jack Williams and when he came he shook his hand and said Amend! Amend! go and tell every body that my sins are forgiven and my soul is made free. He said his soul was baptized in the river of Jourdan. Oh he was so happy. He leaves a mother, sister, brothers, a wife and one child to mourn his loss. Rev Jack Williams will preach, his funeral at Mount Rose church, near Perdue Hill, Ala., on the 5th Sunday in March. Very truly yours, S.J. Williams."

**STALLWORTH**, Wright - Kempsville, Ala., April 26, 1902. (Letter to the Editor) "I have the painful news to tell that, Mr. Wright Stallworth whose early days was spent around Kempsville, Ala, emigrated to Bonner, Texas in Freestone county several years ago. He leaves a wife and two children to mourn his departure. The deceased was a son of Rev Willis Stallworth of this place. His father still lives in this county. The deceased leaves several brothers and sisters to mourn his loss. Respectfully Yours, James Talbert"

**BOYD**, William - Kempsville, Ala., May 9, 1902. "The deceased was well known in this section of the country."

**JONES**, Oliver - Pensacola, Fla., April 20, 1902. "The deceased has many relatives in this and adjoining counties."

**MILLENDER**, Harriet - Beatrice, Ala., May 4, 1902. "...taken sick and died in a few hours... She leaves three sons and a host of grandchildren to mourn her loss."

**LETT** - Feb 14, 1902. "The infant of Mr Leslie and Martha Lett... it was about a month old."

**LETT** - Feb 10, 1902. "The infant of Mr. Charley and Lidia Lett."

**PATTERSON**, P(?)jest - Americus, Ga, April 1902. "...shot himself accidentally Thursday 17th of April died Friday at the Falkenberry Tunnel near Kempsville, Ala."

**SCOTT**, Sarah - Claiborne, Ala., June 13, 1902. "...the wife of Rev Sam Scott. Her funeral will be preached at Mt. Zion church near Claiborne on the 3rd Sunday in Aug."

**BLACKMAN**, Ida - May 1902. "Will Blackman, the fiend who so brutishly killed his wife, Mrs Ida Blackman at George McWilliams house during the month of May is yet at large. The Eagle has refrained from saying anything about the matter expecting every day to hear of his arrest. We cannot condone any such crime as this. It is cowardly for a man to take such steps as Will Blackman took. The killing was done in her father's house about twenty-five miles from where he lived. After he killed his wife he ran off and left the horse he was riding at her father's gate. It is the duty of every good citizen to see that all such persons are promptly arrested.."

**JONES**, Josephine - Claiborne, Ala, June 18, 1902. "... the wife of Mr Losin Jones."

**MCMILLAN**, Mary - Monroe, Ala., June 7, 1902. "...victim of the droopy for quite a while...wife of Mr. Ivens McMillan, age 46 years. She leaves a husband, mother."

**BRADLEY**, Mary - Kempsville, Ala., June 25, 1902. "...the wife of John Bradley. The deceased has been sick for a long time; hence her death was not unexpected."

**HARRENGTON**, (Sheriff) - Monroeville, Ala., June 30, 1902. (see reference to Alice Sneider below)

**SNEIDER**, Alice - Monroeville, Ala., June 30, 1902. "Sheriff Harrengton and Alice Sneider, colored was killed by Mr JH Pittman. The dispute arose over a land line marked out by the surveyor. Mr. William Davis ordered Alice and her son to desist putting the fence on the line as marked out by the surveyor but she and her son Howard keep right on at work. At this point Mr Pittman said he could stop them. So he fired on Howard twice and striking him in the arm; then turned on Mr. Harrengton striking him near the breast which he died almost instantly. He also turned on Alice Sneider striking her nearly in the same place. She expired in a few minutes. Mr JB Pittman is half brother to Mr. Davis. This was done at Monroeville, Ala."

**STALLWORTH**, Willis - July 6, 1902 "... an old decrepit minister and ex-pastor of the above named church (Antioch) died this morning after some of his children left home for the church. Buried at Amity Cemetery on the 7th inst. There was a large crowd of people present who desired to pay their last respects to their dead pastor. He had baptized many of them and was the cause of many of them coming to the Lord and his church."

**STALLWORTH**, Frank - Beatrice, Ala., July 24, 1902. "He was sick about two weeks before his

demise."

**GULLEY**, Amy - July 20, 1902. "...wife of Larkin Gulley, at her home near this place very suddenly. Lark Gulley is seriously sick along with three others in the family. It is reported that they had been poisoned by someone unknown. Mrs. Amy Gulley cooked her breakfast and died before dinner."

**MOSELEY**, Bettie - Kemspsville, Ala., Aug 4, 1902. "... wife of Mr Sam Moseley died after several months illness. She leaves a husband and two children to mourn her loss beside a host of relatives. Mrs Moseley had been seriously sick for some time."

**WILLIAMS**, Edmond - (Aug 1902 edition) "On the 15th, Mr Edmond Williams past away from this earth to the rest that remain for the children of God. The deceased was a member of the AME church at Forehand; he was about 27 years old. Rev CS Thomas, pastor in charge officiating."

**RICHARDSON**, Nancy - Kemspsville, Ala., Oct 19, 1902. "... a member of Amity church and mother of Rev. J. C. Richardson, Deacon Frank Richardson, Nelson Richardson and Sherly Richardson, died at her son's Frank Richardson. The deceased was taken with a sudden stroke of paralysis of tongue coupled with a severe fever which affected her brains and caused death in little over a week after the stroke. She was taken sick on the first Sunday in Oct. and died on the third. Peace to her dust."

**THOMPSON**, Clarisa - Oct 15, 1902. "The memorial services of sister Clarisa Thompson to be attended at Mount Gilead church near Perdue Hill, Ala, Nov 23 by Rev Jacke Williams, Pastor."

**THOMAS**, MARIAH - Oct 1902. "...leaving three children, a husband and friends to grieve for her presence."

**MCMILLAN**, Georgie - March 2, 1903. "...shot in the back by one Albert Davis died near Monroe, Ala. She leaves a husband and two orphan children."

**MCCORVEY** - Feb 4, 1903. "The infant of Mr. Daniel McCorvey and wife... Peace to his little ashes."

**SARK** - (Letter to the Editor, dated Feb 10, 1902, Eutaw, Ala) "...Mr T. Sark hailed me and told me of the death of his 18 months old little daughter. JA Williams"

**TUCKER** - (Letter to the Editor, dated Feb 10, 1903, Eutaw, Ala) "...James and Flarence Tucker's home was burned down and their two children and all they had. JA Williams"

**ABNER**, Charley - Fork, Ala., March 13, 1903 - "...buried at Amity's cemetery on Sunday about 12:00 pm. Mr. Abner leaves a wife and two children to mourn his loss."

**BROOKS**, Dixie - Harp, Ala., March 28, 1903.

**PRIMM**, Annie J. - Calvert, Ala., March 18, 1903. (Letter to the Editor) "Death visited my home

on the night of the 18th inst. and carried away my dear wife Annie J. Primm. I had just closed my school in Baldwin Co and came home - she had not been sick long - she was taken severely sick on the morning of the 18th inst. and at 6 o'clock pm death untimely blithe touched her tender soul and withered away. Peace be unto her ashes. She leaves a husband and seven children to mourn her loss. We had 3 boys and 4 girls, one of the youngest was just home an hour before her death. Annie Primm first known as Annie J Washington, she was born in Belleville Conecuh Co. Sept 20 1860. At her death, she was 42 years 6 months and 20 days old. Her membership is at New Friendship Baptist church, Buena Vista, Ala. Yours Truly H. W. Primm"

**STANTON**, Lewis - Axle, Ala., April 1903. "...killed by the storm. Mr. Stanton was an old soldier of the late civil war; He was drawing a pension at the time of his death of \$12.00 per month. He leaves a wife and several children to mourn his loss." (Letter to the Editor: ) "...struck by a falling tree which crushed the left side of his skull and death resulted instantly. The deceased was a well known citizen of this community for many years. He was about seventy years old. He was buried at Mar's Hill cemetery on the 14th conducted by Rev R. W. Russell. Very respectfully yours, Joe Dubose."

**BALDWIN**, Mrs Ike - Evergreen, Ala., 1903.

**PEAVY**, Tamsy - Tunnel Springs, Ala., April 16, 1903. "She was about 80 years old. She is the last of that name in this section of the country colored or white. She died in a house by herself."

**GULLEY**, Sank - Belleville, Ala., March 1903. "... age about 60 years old..."

**FRANKLIN**, J - Belleville, Ala., March 1903 "... a deacon of Belleville Colored Baptist Church" (see below reference to William Shepherd)

**SHEPHERD**, William - Belleville, Ala., March 1903. (partial Letter to the Editor) "One thing very remarkable about these two brethren (Shepard & Franklin) is they always came to church together and went generally together. One died Saturday and the other died Monday."

**SINQUEFIELD**, Bettie - Belleville, Ala., March 28, 1903.

**GRIGGS**, John Sr - Activity, Ala., April 26, 1903. "... died very suddenly. He had been to church, returned home, ate his dinner and walked out and was taken very suddenly sick and was found dead by members of his family. The deceased was a member of Christian Valley church of his neighborhood for a number of years. He leaves a wife and several children to mourn his loss."

**EDWARDS** - Kempsville, Ala., July 7, 1903. "The little child of Mr and Mrs Jimmy Edwards."

**HOWARD**, John - Franklin, Ala., Nov 12, 1903. "The old man died out of Christ and the church. I was told that he asked his son Tom not to let anyone bother him any more about praying. The deceased was about seventy years old."

**STALLWORTH**, Lucy - Beatrice, Ala., Dec 9, 1903. "She leaves a husband, several boys and girls and a host of grandchildren to mourn her loss."

**FOUNTAIN**, Frank - Monroe County, Ala., Dec 6, 1903.

**NETTLES**, Rena - Natchez, Ala., Dec 5, 1903. "...died very suddenly. She leaves a husband and several children, mother, brothers and sisters to mourn her loss." (Letter to the Editor:) "The deceased married Mr. Mat Nettles May 11, 1870. She was 51 years old about the time of her demise. She died in the triumph of the christian religion. She was a member of New Friend Baptist church near Buena Vista. Mrs Mat Nettles was a member of the church 35 years. She was the mother of 17 children. She leaves a husband and 14 children living, she has three sons dead. She leaves 9 sons and 5 daughters surviving her. She was taken sick Friday evening before the first Sunday in Dec. She died calling on the Lord. Wishing you the compliment of the season, Subscriber."

**MORRIS**, E - Gosport, Ala., Dec 5, 1903. "He was a member of Mackey Branch. He leaves a mother, father and sister to mourn his death."

**WASHINGTON**, GEORGE - Gosport, Ala., (partial Letter to the Editor dated Dec 9, 1903)  
"Mackey Branch is in mourning for her pastor Rev George Washington."

**CASH** - Monroe, Ala., Nov 20, 1903. "...child of Mr and Mrs Jasper Cash. The little two year old baby was burnt to death by fire. The little child was buried at Bethel cemetery by Rev Josiah Davison.

**BARNES**, Mary - Monroe, Ala., Nov 20, 1903. "...the daughter of Mr and Mrs S. J. Parker. The deceased was about thirty y ears old. She embraced a hope in the Lord while she was sick. She was sick about three months. She leaves father, mother, two sisters, four brothers and a little daughter to mourn her demise, buried at Bethel cemetery."

**RANDALSON**, Will - Jan 5, 1904. "... the son of Mahalee and Steve Randalson. He was killed at New Centuary, Fla., by the gravel train. The deceased was a young man of good character and was liked by all who knew him. He was about 18 or 21 years old."

**MILENDER**, Clara - Jan 8, 1904. "... buried by her request at Mount Baptist church of which she was a consistent member. This was the first grave at that church."

**RANDALSON**, Sam - Claiborne, Ala., Jan 7, 1904. "Mr Gould Randalson of Claiborne, Ala., killed his brother Sam Randalson. It is reported that they fell out about a piece of land."

**MCCREARY**, Robert - Evergreen, Ala., Jan 3, 1904. "The deceased leaves a wife and two daughters to mourn his demise."

**JOHNSON**, Martha - Riley, Ala., Dec 25, 1903. "...leaving many children and grandchildren to mourn her loss."

**DAVIS**, Alf - Riley, Ala., Dec 31, 1903.

**BRADLEY**, Sam - Hixon, Ala., Dec 27, 1903. "killed by Ralph Barton. There was another one killed at Peterman, Ala., by George Untrine January 1, 1904."

**STALLWORTH**, Anderson - Bermuda, Ala., Jan 4, 1904. "The deceased was one of the old Land Marks of the Colored Bethlehem Baptist association. The Editor remembers being at his ordination about 30 years ago at Pineville, Ala. "

**SNIEDER**, Joe - Monroeville, Ala., Feb 1904. "...died in Pensacola, Fla., Feb either Saturday or Sunday and was buried at Golden., Fla. We learned that he left Century Fla., with the small pox and got well of it but contracted pneumonia and died."

**MORRISON**, Patrick - Kempsville, Ala., March 6, 1904. "...white, an old citizen..."

**MCCREARY**, Calvin - Finklea, Ala., March 6, 1904.

**ASKEW**, Judge - Troy, Ala, March 1904. "... found dead in the road near Tunnel Springs, Ala., Sunday morning March 13, 1904 by Mr Frank Montgomery another colored citizen, who reported the case to the Justice of the Peace SH Dailey. The man had been killed Saturday night by one of the parties engaged in a game of craps. He was about 31 years old. Monday morning the court was called and the facts was brought out that Judge Askew was killed by Thomas Stevenson colored of Tunnel Springs, Ala in the road above the seed house where the men of that character usually meet for their fun. Thomas Stevenson was committed to jail by the Justice to wait the action of the grand jury. "

**KING**, Henrietta - Gosport, Ala., April 16, 1904. "... wife of Herod King, funeral was preached by Rev W. Thomas, at Mackey Branch church."

**BRYANT** (see reference to Thomas below)

**THOMAS** (?) letter to the editor:) "My brother-in-law had the misfortune to loose his oldest son on 23rd instance; age about 18 years old. The burial services was conducted by Rev. W. M. Moseley at three o'clock pm. Mr. Adam Bryant also lost his son Alonzo. Very respectfully yours, Lucy A. Thomas."

**MCKINZIE, JACKSON, JOHNSON** (letter to editor:) "Turnbull, Ala May 29, 1904. The memorial services of the following persons, to wit; Fannie McKinzie, Martha Jackson and Margaret Johnson. The services were held and conducted by Rev. James Wilson. Andrew Stallworth"

**FOUNTAIN**, Fannie - Scotland, Ala., May 27, 1904. "...daughter of Amanda Richardson. The deceased died in the bloom of life; she was about seventeen years of age. She had been sick over six weeks. The body was buried at Amity burying ground. Rev Nelson Richardson officiating."

**FOUNTAIN**, Wallace - Axle, Ala., May 30, 1904. "...died very suddenly. The deceased was a single young man of good moral character, a member of Mar's Hill baptist church of Peterman, Ala. The deceased was also a member of the Lodge of A A & Y Masons."

**ABEL**, Willie - Claiborne, Ala., June 1904. ..."he leaves a wife, brother and many relatives."

**HOWARD**, Hattie - Perdue Hill, Ala., July 23, 1904. "...killed by Bob Packer. We learned that she was ordered not to dance with the man that she was dancing with. Bob came in and went to her and fired two shots at her. Each took effect, one in the forehead and one in the throat, she died in a few minutes. " (In a later edition) "Miss Hattie Howard lost her life at the hands of Mr. Robert Packer, because she refused to dance with him. It is said that this was a cold blooded murder. Mr. Packer was committed to jail without bail to wait the action of the grand jury."

**KIDD**, Atlas - Wainwright, Ala., July 1904. "... son of Re(?) Kidd. Up to his death he (?) that he was enjoying very (?) health. He was taken ill just one week before his death. He was thought to be getting along very well and got up and took a dose of medicine and within ten minutes afterwards he was a corpse. He was not a member of any church but was a pious gentleman and nicely raised. He was respected by all that knew him. He leaves a father, one sister and six brothers to mourn his demise besides a multitude of relatives."

**SIMPSON**, Arena - Kempsville, Ala., Oct 11, 1904. "...the widow of West Simpson. She was buried at New Chapel church cemetery."

**JOHNSON**, A. L. - Franklin, Ala., (obit appears in Nov 1904 edition) "... white... he was a merchant and timber man in the firm of Johnson and Rutherford. Mr Johnson was an energetic businessman; to know him was to love him. I can say (with) I don't believe that he had a single enemy. He left here on or about the eighth for his home at Franklin, Ala., where he died. His death is deeply deplored by both white and colored citizens. His remains were laid to rest in the River Ridge cemetery. There was a multitude of friends at his burial to pay the last respects to his memory."

**JOHNSON** - Wainwright, Ala., Dec 7, 1904. "...child of Mrs. Lilly B. Johnson.

**MARSHALL**, Joshua - Wainwright, Ala., Dec 12, 1904. "The deceased has been invalid for more than twelve months."

**JOHNSON** - Wainwright, Ala., Dec 1904. "Mr. Johnson was taken last year with a whitlow on his toe, which cause his foot to drop off at his ankle; he suffered with this malady until death ended his suffering. He was a member of Forehand AME church. His remains were laid to rest in the Forehand cemetery."

**BROWN**, Peter - (notice appears in Jan 1905 edition) "...Tom Sneider of Hixon, Ala., shot and killed Peter Brown while attending an entertainment given at John Jones residence. It was said that the latter stepped on the former's foot which caused the fatal act. Several arrests have been made in this case and for concealed weapons."

**FOUNTAIN**, W. H. - Monroeville, Ala., Jan 10, 1905. "The deceased was the father of our Sheriff. The deceased about about 75 or 80 years old. He was buried at the Scotland cemetery."

**LANGHAM**, Jane - Tunnel Springs, Ala., Jan10, 1905. "She has been sick for some time. She left a husband and several children, and a number of relatives to mourn her loss. She was buried at Morning Star cemetery Beatrice, Alabama."

**RILEY**, Sug - Natchez, Ala., Dec 20, 1904. "... killed by Harrison Liddell. We learned that they had a falling out and got into a fight and the latter was cut pretty badly. Harrison Liddell shot Sug Riley with a breech loading shot gun."

**WEST** - Gosport, Ala., Dec 14, 1905. "wife of Joe West, buried at the Little Rock Church. Rev Jesse Morris attended the burial service."

**MCKINLEY**, M - Hixon, Ala., Dec 11, 1904. "... a white man... a sawyer for Hixon Bors was killed by the saw."

**DORCH**, S. A. - Hixon, Ala., Dec 22, 1904. "...the widow of the late John M Dorch. She leaves five girls and four boys besides a host of relatives to mourn her loss. She was buried at Carry Mount cemetery."

**MITCHELL**, DUG - Repton, Ala., Dec 25, 1904. "... killed by Crawford Jackson of Repton, Ala., killed Dug Mitchell. We learn that there was nothing between Dug Mitchell and Crawford Jackson. The dispute was with Dug and another man. It is said that Crawford Jackson went home and got his gun, came back and shot Dug without a single word passing between them."

**ODOM** - Jan 11, 1905. "Mrs Alabama Odom wife of Mr William Odom met a very sad misfortune while crossing a creek; the water had rose to such a height that when she drove in, her horse and buggy were carried down the creek thirty yards. The buggy turned over, **her three children were thrown into the stream and were drowned.** Two of them have been recovered from their watery grave. At this writing the other one, a girl of about six or seven years old, has not been recovered yet. Mrs Odom came very near losing her life but was thrown on an island in the creek; her cries were heard. Mr Duncan Johnson, Richard Williams, Jerry Johnson and others came to her rescue. Several citizens engaged in the child hunt."

**DORCH**, Sarah Ann Tait - Hixon, Ala., Dec 22, 1905. "...having nine children, a host of friends and relatives to mourn her loss. Early in life she accepted Christ, uniting with (Carry?) Mount Baptist church."

**STALLWORTH** - Jan 19, 1905. "child of Sallie Stallworth, burnt very bad. He was about two or three years old."

**HIBBARD**, B.L. - Monroeville, Ala., April 2, 1905. "As we go to press we learn that Col B. L. Hibbard, a lawyer, died Sunday."

**BRADLEY** - Scotland, Ala., May 8, 1905. "...child of Jim Bradley. We are told that he was about 4 years old."

**KNIGHT**, Eliza - Tunnel Springs, Ala., (notice appears in the June 1905 edition) "... wife of Ben

Knight. She was a member of Good Hope church. She was a consistent member for many years, a loving mother, a devoted wife and a friend to all. She leaves a mother, four brothers, one sister, a husband, five daughters and three sons, and many relatives to mourn her demise."

**KNIGHT**, Rev. Daniel - Tunnel Springs, Ala., (notice appears in the June 1905 edition) "...quietly passed away on the 24th. He was commonly called preacher Dan Knight. He has been a member of good Hope church for more than thirty years; he was one of the organizers. There was only about twelve hours between his death and sister Eliza Knight. Brother Dan Knight leaves a daughter Mrs Caroline Pendleton of Whatley, Ala., and two sons D J and R E Knight of this place to mourn his demise, and a host of relatives."

**WILLIAMS**, Infant (notice appears in the June 1905 edition) "R B Williams, a white citizen, lost a baby on the first."

**CALLAWAY**, Jacob - Scotland, Ala., May 28, 1905. "Deacon of Mount Olive church." (The following Letter to the Editor appeared in the March 1906 edition) "Memory of deacon Jacob Calloway. He was born in North Carolina near the Blue Ridge Mountain; he was brought to Rome Ga. on Coosa river; from there to Eufaula; from there to Greenville, Butler County Ala. He commenced teaching Sunday school there and it grew to a church with Rev Stewart Adams as pastor. From there to Monroe County this state. He has started three churches known as Sunday schools first, and then churches; Pleasant Hill near Simpkinsville; Mount Olive near Scotland and Morning Star near Monroeville, Ala. He died May 27, 1905, age about 90 years old. His memorial service will be attended at Mount Olive church on the third Sunday in June, by Rev R Morris. The deceased was a member of Mount Olive church at the time of his demise. He leaves a wife and six children to mourn his loss and a host of grand children besides many friends to weep after him. He was blessed with good health until a few weeks before his death. He was loved by his brethren and sisters; they visited him when he was sick. Very truly yours, Callie D. Broughton, May 8th 1906."

**ANDRESS**, Frances - Tunnel Springs, Ala., June 1, 1905. "...buried at Amity cemetery."

**STALLWORTH**, Eliza - Turkestan, Ala., May 25, 1905.

**TRAVIS**, Monroe - Riley, Ala., May 25, 1905.

**WEST**, Joseph W. Jr - Tunnel Springs, Ala., May 24, 1905. "... died at the home of his father Joseph W. West Sr."

**DEES**, Mike - Dixon's Mill, Clarke Co., Ala., Sept 3, 1905.

**BYRD**, Rev Spencer - Tinela, Ala., July 7, 1905. "The deceased was about 65 or 70 years old and was a preacher for about 40 years. He leaves a wife and three or four children. He was a member of Rock West Baptist church."

**GILLAM**, Celia - Beaumont, Tx. Jan 12, 1905. "...commonly known in Monroe County Ala., as Celia Davison. We learn from her daughter-in-law Carly Davison that she died in the triumphs

of the christian religion."

**HENDERSON**, Robert - (notice appears in the March 1906 edition) "...run over by a log train on the road of Holme's Lumber Co., and was instantly killed. Mr. Henderson under took to catch the moving cars, and lossed his aim and fell just in front of the car and before the engineer could bring his train to a dead stop. One car passed over his body, breaking his leg in three pieces, breaking his arm and neck. His remains were laid to rest in Forehand cemetery. He leaves a wife and 8 or 10 children and a host of relatives to mourn his loss."

**KNIGHT**, Georgia - King, Ala., (notice appears in the March 1906 edition) "She has been sick for the last eight months. She was the wife of Mr Israel Knight. She was the daughter of Mr and Mrs Charles Packer of Chance, Ala. She was a member of the Independent Bap church. She leaves two babies behind her..."

**MORRISETTE**, Lottie - (notice appears in the March 1906 edition) "...died on the 13th. She was the daughter of Mr and Mrs July Kidd and wife of Mr Orville Morrisett. She was interred at the Forehand cemetery of which church she was a member."

**GULLEY**, Alla - (notice appears in the March 1906 edition) "...was burnt very badly and she died on the 7th. She was the wife of Mr Frank Gulley. She leaves a husband and one child besides a host of relatives and friends to mourn her demise."

**WALKER** - (notice appears in the March 1906 edition) "Mr Alex Walker of Citronelle, Ala., came up with his brother's corpse to this place where it was buried."

**DORCH**, Monroe - Hixon, Ala., April 2, 1906. "It was supposed that he died of injuries received at the hands of Thomas Bradley, who went to put him over the back water near Flat Creek. We learned that Monroe Dorch had been working for some time at Manistee, Ala., was trying to go to his grandma's where his sisters and minor brothers were. It was supposed that Thomas Bradley after putting him over the water struck him with something that knocked him senseless and took what money he had. Monroe was found Monday wandering about without any sense and could tell nothing. So suspicion rested on Thomas Bradley who denied it at first but finally owned up that he did it. He claimed that he won the money from Monroe and Monroe tried to take it away from him. Those who know Monroe best say Monroe never gambled. The Eagle regrets the unfortunate affair on account of the personal friendship with both families."

**DEXTER** - March 1, 1906. "... Mrs Joe Dexter..."

**MARSHALL**, Prof F J - King, Ala., Feb 24, 1906.

**BROUGHTON**, Lila - Axle, Ala., April 8, 1906. "... wife of Wade Broughton."

**MORRISETTE** - (notice appears in the Sept 1906 edition) "The young child of Mr and Mrs Willy Morrisette died on the 14th.

**WILLIAMS** - (notice appears in the Sept 1906 edition) "Mr and Mrs Richard Williams Jr lost a

child on the 21."

**CLAIBORNE** - (see below reference to Phyllis Fountain)

**FOUNTAIN**, Phyllis - (notice appears in Sept 1906 edition) "The memorial services of deacon Claiborne, and Phyllis Fountain of Amity Church was preached by Rev John A Autrey then pastor on first Sunday in Sept. Brother Fountain was a deacon of the above named church about thirty years and died at the good old age of one hundred and two years. Also sister Phyllis Fountain was said to be about one hundred and one year old."

**TALBERT**, George - Axle, Ala., (notice appears in the Sept 1906 edition) "The memorial services of brother George Talbert who was a member of Amity Church was preached at Mount Olive Ch on the fifth sunday by Rev Morris."

**MAY**, Venia - Evergreen, Ala., Sept 4, 1906.

**BOWIE**, James B - Excel., Ala., Oct 1, 1906. "...was born in North Carolina and moved to Georgia and from Georgia to Alabama. He was living at Excel, this county, at the time of his death. He was a member of the Grand United order of Odd Fellows at Mineral Springs. Lodge near Mexia, Ala. He was the son-in-law of Rev John A Autrey of Repton, Ala. The deceased leaves a wife and child to mourn his death. His body was buried at Repton and funeral will be preached at Repton, Ala., on the second Sunday in Nov." (A later description of the memorial: "The Odd Fellows turned out and had a very respectable turnout. The neighborhood Lodges joined in the procession and made a fine appearance. The sermon was preached by Rev. W a Armstrong of Drewry, Ala. after the sermon a collection was raised amounting to \$25.20.") (A 3rd description: "There were many visitors from Tunnel Springs, Peterman, Monroeville and Drewry, Ala., to witness the last memorial services of Mr James Bowie.") (A 4th mention: "The lodge of which Mr James Bowie was a member of gave notice that in one month the different lodges would (?) be given when the five hundred dollars would be given and all the neighborhood lodges would be called together and money turned over to the widow of brother James Bowie.")

**DAVIS**, Jack - Manistee, Ala., Nov 11, 1906. "...had been sick about three weeks. He suffered very much. He was a servant of God. The deceased was a Mason and Old Fellow. He leaves a wife and - he being a member of the Endowment department - his wife will get \$500 dollars when his memorial service is held."

**LETT**, Ransom - Tunnel Springs, Ala., Dec 8, 1906. "...a member of A F and A M of Ala, Lodge No 194 and the G U O O F of this place lodge No 5941. The body was buried at Antioch cemetery by both of these societies." (April 1907: "The memorial service of Mr Ransom Lett was had by the Lodge of G U O of Odd Fellows No 5941 and the Lodge of No 194 A F and A Masons, was held at Amity church on the fifth Sunday of March. There was a large concourse of people present to witness the paying over the \$500.00 endowment money of the Odd Fellows and the \$300.00 dollars from the masonic fraternity which was paid to Mrs Laura Lett the mother of Ransom Lett deceased."

**JACKSON**, Jacob - "...of this place died June 16, 1907 (?) after a long illness with heart troubles.

He came to this place about two years ago. He leaves a mother, two sons and two daughters and several grandchildren to mourn his loss. He was buried at the Amity cemetery with Rev N W Richardson officiating."

**STALLWORTH**, (Mrs) Rose - Tunnel Springs, Ala., June 7, 1907. "She had been sick for several months – hence her death was hourly expected. She leaves a husband and several children to mourn her death. The deceased was about forty-two years old."

**BROWN**, (Mrs) Lucy - Hixon, Ala., June 18, 1907. "Her death was quite sudden as she had not been sick. We learned that she had been subjected to spasmodic spells occasionally. The deceased leaves seven children and two sisters, besides a host of relatives to mourn her demise. Two Graves for one Body: The above deceased person's funeral was preached by Rev David Duke and after the memorial service the corpse was taken out of Carry Mt church and carried to the grave prepared for the body. When we arrived at the grave, we found the grave was at least 50 yards away from her husband who was buried near the church. Add to the already confusion, the grave had at least a foot in water. The women got around the men and said she should not be buried there. So the relatives and friends soon arranged and dug another grave in short order. I don't know, if I ever saw a grave dug with more willing hands and quicker. Could Not Wait: Rev D Duke who officiated at the memorial service gave the relatives and friends notice that they could not wait for the digging of the other grave. So he arranged with brother Ceasar Lett to conduct the balance of the burial service. It took till dark to dig and bury the corpse."

**PACKER**, Bob - Tunnel Springs, Ala., Oct 23, 1907. "The deceased was probably about 70 or 75 years old."

**HILL**, Nick - Letter to the Editor, Mosspoint, Miss, Nov 1, 1907. "I have the painful duty to notify you that Mr Nick Hill, my brother-in-law died Oct 19 leaving a wife, father, three brothers and three sisters to mourn his demise. Respectfully yours in Christ, Mrs L A Hill"

**GULLEY**, Zelma - One of the twins of Mrs Zelma Gulley died Jan 17, 1908. We learn that the other one is quite sick. Peace to its little ashes.

**AUTRY**, Angus - Mr Angus Autry of Repton, Ala., son of Rev J A Autry of the above named place died Feb 26. The decease had been sick with la grippe about three or four (smudge – weeks?). His father missed two of his regular appointments on account of his sickness.

**LETT** - The infant boy of Mr and Mrs Will Lett of Tunnel Springs, Ala., died March 23, 1908. The boy was named after Booker T Washington.

**HALL**, Leanora - The memorial of sister Leanora Hall was attended on the 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday in March 1908 at Amity Baptist church.

**RICHARDSON**, Henry - The memorial of brother Henry Richardson who died Saturday before the first Sunday in May was preached by Rev John A Autry on the first Sunday in June.

**STALLWORTH**, Mattie - (partial Letter to the Editor), Chestnut, Ala., June 3, 1908

I come with some sad news of the death of Mrs Mattie Stallworth who departed this life June 2, 1908. She was a member of Mount Zion Baptist church and a Christian woman from her girlhood. She was the daughter of deacon Alfred Rogers of this place. She leaves a father, five sisters, two brothers and three children to mourn her loss. She was laid to rest at the Saint Matthew church cemetery by Rev J F Holt. Yours, Emma Rogers

**NETTLES**, Carlie - Mrs Carlie Nettles the wife of Mr John Nettles of this place died June the 9, 1908. She has been sick for a long time with the consumption. She leaves a husband, one child and host of relatives to mourn her loss.

**McCORVEY** - The infant child of Mr and Mrs Morris McCorvey died June 1908. The infant had been sick for some time. Peace to its little ashes.

**McGLASKER**, Henrietta - (partial letter to the Editor, Peterman, Ala., July 8, 1908). "...the death of Mrs Henrietta McGlasker, who died at Atmore, Ala., June 15th, 1908. She was a native of Claiborne, Ala., where she spent the larger portion of her life until about a little over three years ago, her husband and family decided to move to Atmore, where she died. She was about forty-five years old at the time of her demise. She was a member of the AME church and was buried by Rev N J Adams PE. She leaves a husband and five children to mourn her demise. Her husband did all he could for her, after the doctors at Atmore gave her out. He sent her to specialists at Evergreen, Mobile and Montgomery-Hill. Mrs Henrietta McGlasker was taken sick about Jan 15, 1908 and lingered until the day of her death. Her children and relatives were summoned to her bedside several times expecting her to leave before she did. Mrs Dubose her daughter has been by her bedside nearly all the year. After her burial at the above place Mr Dubose and her sister Miss Florence McGlasker returned home and snow at Peterman, Ala."

**NETTLES** - The infant of Mr and Mrs Lewis Nettles of this place died Sept 25, 1908. It was about three months old. Peace to its ashes.

**McCORVEY**, Clarissa - Miss Clarissa McCorvey of Tunnel Springs, Ala died Saturday morning at 4am. She had been sick about nineteen days of typhoid fever. She was the daughter of Mr and Mrs Thomas McCorvey of this place. She was about eighteen years old. The deceased was a member of New Philadelphia church.

**McWILLIAMS**, Mary - Axle, Ala. "...the daughter of Mr Lewis Stanton, died Dec 10, 1908."

**LETT**, Will - Tunnel Springs, Dec 9th, 1908. "He leaves a wife and several children to mourn his demise."

**FRANKLIN**, Mattie E. & **FRANKLIN**, Alabama - Tunnel Springs. "...two sisters died Dec the 12 and the later on the 13th of typhoid fever."

**WASHINGTON**, Rev Robert - (partial Letter to the Editor) "... The Lord has passed through our land and taken from our midst Rev Robert Washington after a long illness. On the 5th of Dec, he was called from labor to reward. Mariah J Franklin"

**STEPHENS, Callie** - "...the wife of Mr James S Stephens of Tunnel Springs, Ala died Dec 5th, 1908. The deceased had been sick several weeks. She was 33 (38?) years old. She leaves a husband, father and mother, several brothers and sisters to mourn her demise. She was a faithful member of the House of Ruth No 3031 of Tunnel Springs, Ala. She was buried in the family's burial ground at Antioch Baptist church of which the deceased was a member. She was buried with the honors of her household."

**DUKES, Mrs Flora** - August 8, 1909 near Burnt Corn., Ala.

**NETTLES, Mrs Louisa** - Scotland, Ala., August 12, 1909. "She leaves a mother, father, two brothers, a husband and three children and a host of relatives to mourn her loss."

**LOCKE, Mrs Sallie** - Scotland, Ala., August 14, 1909.

**DUBOSE, Mrs Tom** - Turkestan, Ala., August 14, 1909.

**EDWARDS, E W** - "The memorial service of brother E W Edwards who died Feb 4, 1909 will be held at Amity church, first Sunday in Oct by Rev Autry. Also the Masons will pay his widow three hundred dollars endowment. A. R Davison W M."

**COLLEY, Adam** - Pineville, Ala., "... died Wednesday Sept 22, 1909. The deceased was an old citizen of this community. He was probably about 80 years old. He leaves one sister and a host of relatives to mourn his loss.

**ODOM, Prof J J** - Natchez, Ala., August 25, 1910. "The deceased has been ill for some time."

**MILLENDER, Mrs Lucinda** - "...the wife of Charley Millender of Monroe, Ala., died Aug 27, 1910. She has been ill for about eleven or 12 months. She leaves a husband, mother, brothers and sisters and 9 children and a host of relatives and friends to mourn her demise. Her remains were buried at Amity cemetery. Rev W A Armstrong officiating."

**GREEN, Bella** - (partial Letter to the Editor, Aug 25, 1910)

We had an incident which occurred at New Chapel Bapt church I had never witnessed before. On Tuesday night August 22, 1910 during the revival while the prayer services was going on, one of our faithful sisters died in the church, sister Bella Green. After one brother had prayed and sister Green said continue in prayer, she was on her knees and said Lord have mercy, ready to carry out what she said, and all of a sudden she groaned twice and died right there in the sight of all in the church. She was not sick or had not complained of being sick as far as known. This incident created quite a sensation in our community. As the result of this incident one of the wickedest persons in our community was converted and joined the church. God moves in mysterious ways and his wonders to perform. Very truly yours, J E Blackman"

**RICHARDSON** - Mr and Mrs Jesse Richardson had the misfortune to lose their little son on August the 14, 1910, age about five years old. Yours, W A Richardson

**STALLWORTH, Elijah** - "...son of Andrew Stallworth, was killed by a falling tree while

working in the logging camp near Skinnerton, Ala., June 22, 1914. He was about 18 years old. His body was brought home and buried at Antioch church near Tunnel Springs."

**CORRECTION:** On July the first, we published the death of Mr Andrew **Stallworth**'s son who was killed by falling trees. We said he was about eighteen years old. But we have been corrected, his age was fifteen in lieu of eighteen.

**STANTON**, Mrs Amy - Axle, Ala., "...died Sunday June 21, 1914. She was the wife of Mr Tenant Stanton. She had been in ill health for three years. She leaves three brothers and a large host of relatives to mourn her loss. Her remains were deposited in the Amity graveyard."

**TRAVIS**, Rev Sam - "...an aged ordained preacher, died at his home near Nichburg, Ala., on Thursday, June 17, 1914. His body was buried at Bethesda graveyard at the church where his membership was. We learned that he had been sick a long time before his death."

**DAVISON** - The infant of Mr and Mrs Allan A Davison died July 25, 1914 of Tunnel Springs, Ala.

**DAVISON** - Mrs Phebe - Tunnel Springs, Ala., August 4. "... at a very old age, supposed by some to be over (a hundred?) years old. She was brought from Virginia (?) slave (?). She has one son living at this place, Frank Fuller."

**TRAVIS**, Rev Sam - (partial Letter to the Editor, Wainwright, Ala., Oct 26, 1914)  
On Sunday the 29 day of Nov 1914, Rev P A Tait will attend the funeral of Rev S J Travis, of Nichburg, Ala., at the Pilgrim's Rest Baptist church, Wainwright, Ala., who passed away recently.