

Pioneer Mother Goes On To Rest

Mrs. J. T. Terry, nee Miss Julia Cornett, was born near Mart in Falls county, Texas, December 28, 1854. She died at the home of her son, county tax assessor W. T. Terry, in San Saba, July 7, 1934, and was thus 79 years, six months and 9 days of age.

In her early life the family moved west and finally settled on Rough Creek this county. Here she was married to a typical pioneer young man, John T. Terry, and soon after the marriage they settled on the homestead some five miles north-east of town, where they lived until death claimed them both. The husband died six years ago.

This pioneer in Israel was an ideal mother of the home. She loved her home and family with a devotion close akin to divinity. She knew many of the hardships of pioneer days. She was here when the country was attacked by the Indians and knew what it was to face death. In it all she was calm and serene. A quiet, serene, saintly mother who met all conditions with an unshaken faith in God.

She was the mother of 13 children, three having preceded her in death. The 10 living children were all present in the last hours of life and for the funeral. The funeral services were conducted by Rev. V. L. Sherman, pastor of the First Methodist church, assisted by Rev. Sam D. Taylor, pastor of the First Baptist church, of which she had been a member for many years. There are 8 sons and two daughters and they are Mrs. B. B. Duey, Mrs. D. S. Edmondson, Joe Terry, W. T. Terry, R. R. Terry, R. H. Terry of San Saba, Tom and Clyde Terry of Brady, W. R. Terry and W. L. Terry of Lake Charles, La.

To the family and those closest to her home and life she was affectionately known as "Ma Terry" and no greater compliment could be paid her life, and no sweeter flower could be placed on her bier than this simple, lovely name, to which she responded kindly, nobly, generously and sweetly.

Pall bearers for the burial in the old Terry Cemetery were grandchildren: Murlie Terry, Terry Walker, Alfred Walker, Norman Terry, Warden Terry, George Taylor, Jr.

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