

OBITUARY

WILLIAM CLINTON McLEAN

Funeral services were held Friday afternoon at the Norberg Funeral Home, Princeton, Ill., for William Clinton McLean, 86, a boyhood resident of Drakestown, who died at Princeton on Tuesday, August 1, 1944. The Rev. J. M. Smoot, pastor of the Methodist Episcopal Church, conducted the service, and burial was in the Elm Lawn Memorial Park of Princeton.

Eldest son of William and Eliza McLean, William C. McLean was born October 20, 1857, at East Texas, Pa. He was only a year old when his family moved to Drakestown, and there he received his education in the old six-sided stone schoolhouse which has long since been replaced by a frame structure.

At the age of 18 Mr. McLean learned the trade of carriage ironer with Benjamin Dickerson and Co., Hackettstown carriage manufacturers, and he followed that work until the spring of 1882, when he heeded the popular advice of Horace Greely to "Go West, young man!" He migrated to Princeton, Ill., where he engaged in farming and also assisted his uncle, the late George S. McLean, who was in the undertaking business there.

In February of 1887 Mr. McLean moved to the vicinity of Leoti, Kansas, taking up a Government Homestead Claim, and he remained there 33 years. Selling his land after the last war, he returned in November, 1920, to Princeton to make his home with a sister, Mrs. L. R. Bradley of 318 West Crown Street, where he died last week.

Mr. McLean had never married. Beside Mrs. Bradley, he leaves two sisters, Mrs. Carrie Everitt of Western Springs, Ill., and Mrs. Anna Freeman of Boonton; also two brothers, George N. McLean of Long Valley and Amos E. McLean of Tampa, Fla. Another sister, Mrs. R. L. Russell of Princeton, Ill., predeceased him.

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