

Robert Alexander Nabours' Obituary

Cameron Herald, Cameron, Milam County, Texas

R. A. Nabours Dies

Was Milam Pioneer

Son of County Officer - He was a Member of Salem for 40 Years

Cameron friends were saddened by the death of Robt. A. Nabours, which occurred Saturday, June 18, [1927] at his home near Salem, after a lingering illness of several weeks.

Mr. Nabours was born in Milam county September 17, 1856; was the son of Jeremiah M. and Mary (Stewart) Nabours. His father was born November 1, 1810, was a local minister and served as county assessor and collector of Milam county prior to the Civil War, and as district clerk and county clerk following the close of that struggle until the two offices were separated, and was known as one of the foremost and most influential men of his county. He had come to Texas when a young man from Alabama when about twenty-five years of age, and lived the remainder of his active life, passing away on November 2, 1876. His wife, Mary Stewart, was born February 23, 1816, and died March 20, 1900.

Mr. Robert A. Nabours was names for Robert Alexander, first Methodist Missionary to Texas. He was married to Miss Rebecca Poteet February 27, 1878. To them were born seven children, five boys and two girls, five of whom are still living, two boys and three girls, Mrs. John W. House of Cameron, Mrs. H. W. Massengale of Maysfield, Mrs. C. Davis of Fort Worth, W. H. Nabours of Cameron, and R. H. Nabours of Valley Junction. He was a brother to William A. Nabours, former County Treasurer of Milam county, an uncle of Jerry Nabours, and a great uncle to Charlie Nabours of Cameron. Mr. Nabours was happily converted and united with the Methodist church during a revival held at Ad hall in the year of 1877, fifty years ago. He had his membership placed at Salem church, where it remained during his life time. he was a good man, a worthy citizen, a true husband and noble father and a faithful Christian. Early in life followed the early avocation of raising and shipping cattle, and raised more stock than one individual in Milan county. For a number of years his ventures were crowned with a high order of success but circumstances over which he had no control caused the failure of several of his larger and most cherished transactions, but like the sturdy noble character that he possessed, he recuperated his losses and was known again as a substantial business man. he was always straightforward in his dealings with fellowman, and his associates trusted him implicitly and bore a reputation of a man of high business integrity and ... personal worth. He was elected to the office of justice of peace for Precinct No 1, 1943, and conducted the office in an impartial way, using excellent judgement. his politics coincided with the principals of the Democratic party, and was a strong influential ... in Milam county.

Mr. Nabours leaves a sorrowing wife and five children and a number of grandchildren. His funeral was

held Sunday afternoon at 4 o'clock at the Salem church by Rev. J. R. Ritchie, pastor of Buckholts circuit, having charge of the services. interment was made in Salem cemetery where a large concourse of friends and relatives gathered to pay their last respects to him. The floral offerings were many and beautiful.

Pall bearers were: Active: Chester Huffman, J. Nabours, Charlie Terry, Bob Terry, Gib Terry and Jerry Nabours. Honorary: R. L. Batte, Sr., M. M. Johnson, D. B. ..., Giles McDermott, R. Todd, and S. W. Lampkin. A number of out of town friends were present. Among them were Mr. and Mrs. Ben Nabours of Calvert; Mr. and Mrs. Allen Varner of Gause; Mr. Anderson of Gause; Mrs. Cave and Mrs. Cooper of Gause; Rev. and Mrs. Ritchie of Buckholts; Mr. and Mrs. C. G. House and C. G. House Jr. of Wheelock.

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