

Another Veteran Gone

**"Uncle Hi" George Passed Away
Last Sunday Night. Paralysis Was The Cause.**

Hiram J. George, one of Jackson county's best known citizens and a veteran of the Civil war, died at his home a short distance north of Oak Grove last Sunday night, October 22nd, 1911, after a few days illness with paralysis. Mr. George was 77 years of age the 7th of last April. He was born in Giles county, Tennessee, on April 7th, 1834, and had been a resident of this vicinity for many years.

"Uncle Hi" as he was familiarly called, came to Missouri with his parents when only two years of age. He was the son of David C. George, who settled on a claim two miles southwest of Oak Grove in the year 1836, being one of the first settlers of this community. During the Civil war Mr. George served as a

Confederate soldier under General Joe Shelby and was a member of Shank's Regiment at the battle of Shreveport, Louisiana, which occurred on June 14th, 1865. His comrades say that he was one of the bravest soldiers that ever wore the gray and he fought for the cause of the South to the end, and his regiment was said to have been the last to surrender after peace was declared between the North and the South. During the border troubles, Mr. George was with Quantrell and was among the many from this vicinity in the Lawrence raid.

Mr. George was first married in 1857 to Miss Mary T. White of Lafayette county. To this union seven children were born—four of whom are still living. They are Mrs. Anna Sams of Kansas City, Mrs. Sarah Frick of Springfield, Illinois, Albert George of Oak Grove and Mrs. Paulina Conard, west of this city. After the death of his first wife, Mr. George was married to Miss Maggie E. Frick on June 19th, 1877. Five children were the result of this union, only two, however, are living—Clarence George of Winters, California and Mrs. Will Ailor of Oak Grove. The second wife died January 2nd, 1884 and on the 22nd day of April, 1885, he was married to Mrs. Maria Kelly.

Two children were born to this union—Buford and Beulah. All of his children with the exception of Clarence of California, were at the home when he died.

Besides the wife and children Mr. George leaves two sisters, Mrs. Martha Owings and Mrs. Henry Kabrick, north of Oak Grove, and one brother, Hicks George, south of Oak Grove. "Uncle Hi" was one of the conspicuous characters of Oak Grove and seldom a day passed that he did not come to town. He will be greatly missed by his many associates and the many friends of the family extend their heartfelt sympathy. The funeral was preached at the Baptist church last Tuesday morning by Rev. T. D. Payne and the interment occurred in the George family graveyard southwest of town. The funeral was attended by a large concourse of friends. The pall bearers were L. John Brown, Chas. T. Duncan, J. W. Gauldin, W. H. Perkins, Thos. Smith and B. F. Harding.