

OBITUARY

HATTIE C. BURNEY

Hattie C. Burney left this earthly home on Saturday evening, at 6:30 P.M., on January 2, 1988, at WaKeeney, Kansas. She entered this life on June 9, 1887 in south Graham County, Kansas, the child of Sanford and Lulu (Saddler) Craig.

Hattie was reared in Graham County, attending school in Nicodemus District No. 1 and normal training in Hill City, Kansas. She professed her hope in Christ at an early age, uniting with Brown Chapel A.M.E. Church.

Hattie married Homer White in 1911 in her parents' home in Nicodemus, Kansas. She taught Fairview School for three years and then in 1916 left for Colorado to visit her parents and to get more schooling. She taught school in Colorado for a while. Hattie returned to Graham County, where she taught in Mt. Olive District and later in School District No. 1, Nicodemus.

Hattie met and married Chester A. Burney in 1944. He was a train porter for the Santa Fe Railroad, and they made their home in Dodge City, Kansas, until his death in 1961. Hattie lived alone for two years before returning to Graham County. She had a home built and lived there until her health failed. She was taken to the Heartland Manor Nursing Home in WaKeeney, Kansas, where she resided until her death.

Hattie was a member of the First Baptist Church, Naomi Chapter of the O.E.S. No. 25, the American Legion Auxiliary, and the Willing Workers E.H.U.

She was preceded in death by her husband; her parents; her grandparents; two uncles; two aunts; three sisters; three brothers; one nephew; one stepson; and one step-grandson.

Survivors include one sister, Mae Crowell of La Junta, Colorado; one brother, Marido Craig, Manzonola, Colorado; one aunt, Nettie (Saddler) Moncrief of Colorado Springs, Colorado; a 101-year old cousin, Clemmie Vaughn of Topeka, Kansas; one stepson and his wife, Dr. Wm. Burney, Sr., and Anita; one step-daughter, Cecyle Dotty; two step-grandsons, Dr. Wm. Burney, Jr.,