

J. C. Ballard E. P. Pioneer Passes Away

J. C. Ballard, 58, resident of El Paso for 43 years, died in the family home, 1114 North Ochoa Street, Tuesday morning.

He was born at Tuscaloosa, Ala., and came to Texas in 1876. He established the firm of Jarrill Ballard and Company in 1900.

In 1911 the firm reorganized as J. C. Ballard and Company with Mr. Ballard as president and his three nephews, Olin W. Ballard, Clint C. Ballard, and Searcy J. Ballard, becoming members of the firm. Mr. Ballard sold the store and retired in 1926. He built the Ballard Apartments in 1922 where he has resided ever since.

Mr. Ballard, for 43 years was an active member of Trinity Methodist Church, serving for 17 years as chairman of the Board of Stewards, and was for many years chairman of the finance committee.

He was an interested promoter in the organization and building of Asbury Methodist Church.

Mr. Ballard was married to Miss Emma Hoffman, daughter of a pioneer Methodist minister, in 1918.

Funeral services will be held at 2 p. m. Wednesday in Trinity Methodist Church with Dr. L. L. Evans officiating, assisted by C. H. Jones, long time friend of Mr. Ballard.

His body will lie in state from 1 p. m. to 2 p. m. in the church.

Active pallbearers will be C. M. Harvey, A. B. Poe, Robert Lander, Dr. R. A. Stewart, William R. Walker and M. L. Burlison.

Honorary pallbearers will be Hal G. Stacy, John Yearwood, H. J. Ponsford, W. R. Ivey, T. H. Binkley, H. D. Baldwin, Deming, N. M., Aubrey Schrock, Fred Wright, W. C. Porter, W. A. Trayler, Allen Grambling and Ross E. Bryan.

Mr. Ballard is survived by his widow, Mrs. Emma Hoffman Ballard, El Paso; a sister-in-law, Mrs. Mary S. Ballard, Graham, Texas; nieces and nephews, Mrs. D. C. McCleskey, Mrs. F. A. B. MacKeil, O. W. and Clint Ballard, all of El Paso; Mrs. W. A. Thompson, Graham, Texas; S. E. Ballard, Abilene, Texas; Mrs. Grover Ellis, Dallas, Texas; Joe Hewett and Mrs. C. W. Barrett, Temple, Texas, and Marvin Hewett, Houston, Texas.

Burial will be in Evergreen Cemetery under the direction of Barry Hagedon.