

DEATH OF ROBERT BER- NAUER, OF THIS CITY,

Former Assistant Chief of the Fire Department Passes Away Suddenly From Dropsy.

R. Bernauer, one of El Paso's most respected merchants, died at his home in this city Saturday afternoon. The remains were removed to the undertaking parlors of Nagley & Carr, where they were prepared for burial.

The remains were taken to the fire department hall this morning where they have lain in state all day. At 2 o'clock the funeral rites were performed after which the body was taken to Evergreen cemetery where it was laid to rest in the Knights of Pythias plot.

Mr. Bernauer was a member of the Knights of Pythias and was also an active member of the fire department of which order he was assistant chief on two different occasions.

Mr. Bernauer was a native of Germany but had lived in this city for a number of years, where he has been operating an upholstering and awning establishment. He was a great worker in the fire department and was also a very public spirited man and never did a committee call on him for anything when he was not found ready and willing to do his part.

Several months ago he was taken ill with kidney trouble and dropsy, but he had sufficiently recovered to be out and around the city and his friends thought that he was out of danger for the present at least, in fact last Friday afternoon he was talking to several of his friends on El Paso street and little did they dream that he was to be taken away so soon.

He leaves a wife and son who reside on Sonora street. The son is now in the employ of T. H. Springer.