

William J. Buie Dies at Age of 81

William Jefferson Buie died last night in his home at 1500 Elm street. He was 81 and had been a resident of El Paso for 45 years.

Mr. Buie was born in Franklin County, Miss., in 1869. He entered newspaper work at the age of 19 and later became editor and manager of the Ellis County Mirror in Waxahachie.

From 1897 to 1898, Mr. Buie served as executive clerk to Gov. Charles A. Culberson. He had also served as president of the Texas Press Assn., and for three years was Texas member of the executive committee of the National Editorial Assn.

Mr. Buie settled in El Paso in 1906 and established the El Paso Printing Co. In 1910 he formed a partnership with the late J. D. Hughes and the printing plant was consolidated under the name of Hughes-Buie Co.

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The plant was located at 404 North El Paso street.

He retired from the printing business in 1940, after 30 years of service.

Mr. Buie was active in civic and church affairs in El Paso. He was one of the organizers of the El Paso Ad Club, first organized effort to control dishonest advertising in the city.

He was deacon of the First Baptist Church for more than 25 years, and had taught a Bible class at the church for many years. He was a member of the Elks and the International Order of Odd Fellows.

Frequently, Mr. Buie contributed to the local press on questions of local, civic, and political interest.

He is survived by his widow; two daughters, Mrs. Harlan Noel of San Antonio, and Mrs. Gladys Jones of Oakland; two sons, W. J. Buie Jr., of Stamford, and Newt F. Tidwell of El Paso; a sister, Mrs. Lizzie Underwood of Stamford; four brothers, Robert Buie of Stamford, John Buie of Corsicana; A. H. Buie of Hollywood, Calif., and Charles Buie of Itasca.

Funeral arrangements are pending at Rodehaver-Miller Funeral Home.