

DEATH CLAIMS MISS JOSEPHINE CROSBY

**El Paso Woman Dies of Heart Failure
in New York and Is Buried There;
Was of Pioneer Family.**

News of the death of Miss Josephine Crosby in New York city, on Wednesday, Jan. 14, was received in El Paso by Douglas Crowell, the El Paso business representative of the Crosby family. Miss Crosby's death was very sudden and was due to heart failure. Miss Crosby was the daughter of one of the earliest pioneers in El Paso, judge J. F. Crosby, and the sister of the first American child born in El Paso, William Crosby, whose death occurred in New York several months ago. The Crosbys came to El Paso some time in the early 50's, crossing the plains in prairie schooners from Austin, which was Mrs. Crosby's home. The family returned to Austin at the outbreak of the civil war and from there went to Houston. Miss Josephine Crosby was born while the family were in Houston. They visited El Paso frequently, as they had large interests here, but did not return to make their permanent home here until in the early 80's. Upon their return, judge Crosby built a home on Texas street where the Texas theater is located now. A little later he built the Crosby home which is still standing opposite the city hall. This was at the time the finest house in El Paso and was the center of the social gaiety of the town. Miss Crosby was very well known in El Paso. She was very charitably inclined and was happiest when distributing flowers or fruit and dainties among the sick and poor. She was a member of the church of Saint Clement and for many years one of its most earnest workers. The Crosbys left for New York about three years ago. Surviving Miss Josephine Crosby are her mother, Mrs. J. F. Crosby, and four sisters, Mrs. Percy Moran, wife of the celebrated painter; Mrs. Mattie Woods, whose husband, H. R. Woods, a prominent real estate man of El Paso, died a few years ago; Mrs. Percy Faskally, and an unmarried sister, Miss Yndita Crosby. All these are living in New York City.

A telegram received by Wm. Crosby, nephew of the deceased, announced that funeral services were held at the church of the Transfiguration in New York Thursday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Temporary interment was made in Woodlawn cemetery and the body will later be removed to Easthampton, Long Island, the Crosby's summer home.

Miss Crosby was ill but a few hours, according to this telegram, which was sent by Miss Y. Z. Crosby.