WILLIAM CROSBY IS DEAD IN NEW YORK

Said to Have Been the First Child of American Parentage Born in El Paso: Will Be Buried Here.

William Crosby, for whom is claimed the distinction of being the first child of American parentage born in El Paso, died Tuesday in New York City. Advices to that effect were received late Tuesday afternoon. He was 60 years old. The funeral will be held in El Paso under the auspices of the Elks' lodge, of which the deceased was a member. It is not known just when the body will be shipped here.

Crosby's parents, district judge and Mrs. Josiah Crosby, lived in the Bassett house, where the Bassett building now stands. Crosby went to Syracuse, N. Y., in 1881, returning with a bride. Their son, William Crosby, jr., is now a deputy sheriff of El Paso county. The latter took his father, in failing health, to New York about three weeks ago. Several years ago, while manager of the Corralitos Mining company, near San Pedro, Mex., Crosby was struck upon the head with a rock by an angry miner. Seriously injured, he was forced to leave Mexico. He remained in El Paso after his recovery.