

## **Bury El Pasoan Who Told World About Massacre**

Last rites for Joseph Cushing, 85, who sent the first news of the Custer massacre to the outside world when he was telegraph operator at Cody, Wyo., in 1876, were held at Kaster & Maxon's chapel at 2 p. m. today.

Cushing died at the home of his son, Joseph B. Cushing, 3620 Tularosa.

He was retired with a life pension after 45 years service with Wells-Fargo Express Co.

"A scout brought the news of the Custer massacre to my father," Cushing said. "He flashed it to officials in Washington."

The entire Seventh cavalry, with the exception of a small detachment, was wiped out by Indians in Custer's "last stand."