

OLD VETERAN DEAD

Col. S. G. Etheridge Dies at His Home in Clint.

Colonel S. G. Etheridge died yesterday morning of cancer in the ear and face, at his home in Clint, Tex.

Colonel Etheridge came from Galveston some fifteen years ago. He bought land at Clint, and engaged in growing fruit and alfalfa. He continued to reside on his ranch until his death. He was public spirited, and as long as he was in health he joined actively in every movement for developing the agricultural and irrigation interests of the valley.

For the last five or six years he has suffered increasingly from the cancer that slowly ate its way toward his brain. For several months before his death he was confined to his house, and latterly to his bed. He leaves a widow and two children, a daughter, Miss Annie, in young womanhood, and a son, Emerson, who is in the employ of the Alamogordo Improvement company at Alamogordo.

Colonel Etheridge was born in South Carolina about sixty-eight years ago, and spent his childhood in Georgia. He served in the confederate army, and rose to the rank of captain. After the war he went into business at New Orleans, and latterly in Galveston, where he accumulated some money as a cotton broker.

Although deprived of school opportunities in childhood and youth, his native ability and force guided him to the acquirement of a knowledge and appreciation of the best thought and literature, such as few men not engaged in professional literary work attain. In his last days his chief solace was the reading of Shakespeare. He was a bold, independent thinker, and his command of English and power of expression, resulting from his devotion to the best literature, were such as few men of the highest education in the schools ever reach.

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