

FATHER OF MRS. TURNNEY IS DEAD

"Uncle Gid" Guthrie, Popular Figure in Southwestern Life, Dies Suddenly.

Alpine, Texas, Dec. 6.—S. R. Guthrie, a prominent ranchman of Alpine, aged 70 years, died suddenly at his ranch near Alpine this morning. Mr. Guthrie was the father of Mrs. W. W. Turnney, of El Paso. His wife and daughter survive him.

Mr. Guthrie was a native Texan, having been born near Gonzales. He had lived near Alpine for the past 30 years and was a pioneer ranchman of this section of the southwest. He was affectionately known among his friends and the people generally as "Uncle Gid." He located here just after the arrival of the railroads through this part of the country and his fund of stories and reminiscences of the early days of the trail was large and interesting. He had many times driven cattle across country to the Kansas and Nebraska markets and feeding grounds when the trip occupied many months. He made 31 such trips with his herds, one a year for 21 years. His outdoor life had made him sturdy and robust and he always enjoyed good health.

"Uncle Gid" was very popular and was known to every cattleman in Texas. He was a member of both the Texas Cattle Raisers' association and the Panhandle and Southwestern association. Though frequently importuned to accept public office in his home county, Mr. Guthrie always refused a nomination for any public office. He always replied that he had enough to do to take care of his own business, and he devoted himself strictly to his own affairs, although he always showed interest in politics and exercised his right to vote for the men he thought best equipped and qualified for office.

Mrs. Turnney was an only child of the deceased.

"Uncle Gid" had often visited in El Paso with his daughter and was often called there on business, consequently he had many friends in that as well as in the other cattle markets of the state, which knew him well.

Mrs. W. W. Turnney was advised Monday morning by telegram of the sudden death of her father, S. R. Guthrie, on his ranch near Alpine, Texas, and she and Mr. Turnney will leave on the night train for that place. The telegram advising of the death came just after the morning train for Alpine had left El Paso. Funeral arrangements will be made after Mr. and Mrs. Turnney reach Alpine. Mrs. Turnney's father is well known in El Paso, where he often came on business and on social visits to his daughter.