

# WILLIAM B. LATTA, PIONEER, SUCCUMBS

## Pioneer El Pasoan Identified With Civic Development for Past 26 Years, Dies.

William Braden Latta, El Paso resident for twenty-six years and identified with practically every movement in that period for civic development and uplift, died yesterday morning at 5 o'clock at his residence, 901 West Boulevard, as a result of a lingering illness that had held him an invalid for several months.

Mr. Latta was born December 8, 1864, in Pulaski, Tenn., and came to El Paso in 1891, being connected with the local branch of the Western Union from that time until 1901, when he entered the real estate business with J. A. Happer, under the firm name of Latta & Happer. In 1901, he was married to Miss Ramsay L. Loomis, of a prominent El Paso family.

Mr. Latta was one of the organizers of the El Paso Morning Times and was connected with the paper until it was taken over by the company now publishing it.

He is survived by his widow, one son, William Braden Latta, Jr., 2 years old; two sisters, Mrs. W. T. Edwards, of Nashville, Tenn., and Mrs. F. J. Maple, of Excelsior Springs, Mo.; his mother, Mrs. Mary S. Latta, of Memphis, Tenn., and two brothers, J. O. and S. C. Happer, of Memphis.

Funeral services will be held at 11 o'clock this morning from Mr. Latta's late residence, services by Rev. C. L. Overstreet. Interment will be in Evergreen cemetery.