

## El Paso Pioneer Is Death Victim On July 4th Eve

El Paso lost another one of its pioneer citizens in the death of Maj. W. H. Long, 89 which occurred Sunday night at 11 o'clock at his home, 115 Octavia street.

For a half century Maj. Long had been a resident of the city, first coming here in 1877, five years before the railroads built in their lines.

He knew all the old timers, among these being Juan Hart and Benjamin Schuster, whose death recently occurred at Guadalajara Mexico. The major took his position in the ranks of the early comers and with them laid the foundations of the city, which was destined and became the Wonder City of the Southwest.

Maj. Long not only played an important part in the building of El Paso, but he was one of the developers of the city's famous mountain resort, Cloudercroft.

Maj. Long was born at Mount Carroll, Ill., where he grew up. He was in the banking business in the Illinois town before he went to San Francisco in 1870. Seven years later he came to El Paso and engaged in the lumber business. He was president of the Long Lumber company, which, in addition to its holdings here, had timber in the Sacramento mountains.

The major acquired several pieces of valuable realty holdings, one being the site now owned by the Rogers Furniture company.

He at one time also owned the corner, Overland and Kansas streets, where the Arctic Ice Palace was erected. He was still the owner of property on Overland street and elsewhere in the city at the time of his death.

Surviving are his wife a son, Walter H. Long, Los Angeles, and a daughter, Mrs. Nina Long Grayson, El Paso. Pending the arrival of the son, funeral arrangements are held in abeyance.