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Mrs. Josephine McCown, 83, Dies Following Major Operation.

Mrs. Josephine M. McCown, 83, 4405 Hueco street, whose father, Samuel Pharr, came to Texas with Stephen F. Austin, died at a local hospital yesterday afternoon an hour after undergoing a major operation.

Mrs. McCown came to El Paso with her husband, the late Roger McCown, in 1900 from Richmond, Texas, where she was born and reared.

Before the Civil war Mrs. McCown's parents were large land and slave holders. Their plantation was near Richmond.

Helped Soldiers

When the Civil war broke out she was 12 years old. She and other women members of her family did what little they could to supply Confederate soldiers with food and clothing. Roger McCown was in the 10th Texas cavalry with the Confederate army. She and McCown were married two years after the war.

Funeral Tomorrow.

She is survived by two daughters, Mrs. U. S. Devore and Mrs. E. P. Mills; five grandchildren, the Rev. Jack Devore, of Clint; Alfree Devore, Douglas; Ralph Devore, Houston; Walter Devore and Dorothy Diamond, of El Paso; and three great grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held in the Peak-Hagedon chapel at 2 p. m. tomorrow. Burial will be next to Mr. McCown's grave in the Confederate plot at Evergreen cemetery.