

Pioneer E. P. Builder Dies

**Wm. Rheinheimer, Who
Came Here In 1880,
Succumbs.**

Wm. Rheinheimer, 82, 3121 Wheeling Street, died here Tuesday night. He is survived by his widow, Mrs. Elizabeth Rheinheimer; three sons, Dr. E. W. Rheinheimer and Nelson Rheinheimer of El Paso, and Oscar Rheinheimer of Shafter, Texas; and two daughters, Mrs. Robert Barrett of New York City and Miss Freida Rheinheimer of El Paso.

Mr. Rheinheimer had lived in El Paso since 1880, at which time he was a contractor for the Santa Fe Railroad which was being built into the city.

Until his retirement from active business a few years ago, Mr. Rheinheimer engaged in the contracting business here. He was born in Syracuse, N. Y., on March 15, 1857, and married Miss Elizabeth Nies in that city in 1888. They celebrated their golden wedding anniversary at their El Paso home last year.

Mr. Rheinheimer was an organizer of the Pioneers' Association of El Paso and was also a member of the Knights of Pythias. Funeral arrangements are pending with Kaster and Maxon.

DEATH TAKES E. P. PIONEER

William Rheinheimer Was One Of First Members Of Volunteer Firemen

William Rheinheimer who was an El Paso volunteer fireman when Fire Chief Sullivan was still a little boy, died yesterday. He was 82.

Funeral services will be held tomorrow at 10 a. m. at Kaster & Maxon Chapel. Rev. Dubose Murphy and Rev. B. M. G. Williams will officiate.

When Mr. Rheinheimer came to El Paso in 1880 El Paso didn't have any paid fire department. All it had was some 200 public-spirited businessmen, who were pledged to fight fires. When the bell rang Mr. Rheinheimer would plunge out into the street with the other men and dash to the fire to man the pumps. He was a foreman of the volunteers, which is equivalent to rank of captain nowadays.

Mr. Rheinheimer came to the city as a contractor for the Santa Fe Railroad. He was a contractor most of his life. He was one of the organizers of the Pioneer Assn. of El Paso. He was born at Syracuse, N. Y., in 1857.

Survivors are his widow, Mrs. Elizabeth Rheinheimer; three sons, Dr. E. W. Rheinheimer and Nelson Rheinheimer of El Paso, and Oscar Rheinheimer of Shafter; two daughters, Mrs. Robert Bartlett of New York City and Miss Freida Rheinheimer of El Paso.

Burial will be in Restlawn Cemetery. Pallbearers will be George Reeder, Edgar Schwartz, Harry Russell, Scott White, Joseph Kopf and Jim Hill.