

William Truesdell, Pioneer Of Texas, Dies Friday Night

William Edward Truesdell, 72, southwestern pioneer, died at his home, 614 Prospect avenue, at 7 o'clock Friday night.

Mr. Truesdell was born at Ithaca, N. Y. He came to Texas in 1880 and located in Tom Green county. He was one of the pioneer sheep raisers of the southwest. To improve the quality of Texas sheep, Mr. Truesdell imported a large number of blooded animals.

Mr. Truesdell later went into the cattle business, forming a partnership with the late John Gardner, also a west Texas pioneer. This continued until 1900, when Mr. Truesdell moved to El Paso. Here he was interested in a number of business enterprises, one being with Tom Powers in the operation of the old Coney Island saloon. The partnership lasted until prohibition, since which time Mr. Truesdell had not been actively engaged in business. On account of ill health, he was confined to his home the major portion of the time during the past two years.

Surviving are the widow, Mrs. Laura E. Truesdell, and one daughter, Mrs. Arthur Davis, Fort Worth, who has been notified of her father's death.

The funeral will be held Monday morning from St. Patrick's cathedral.