

MR. E. E. HUTCHISON WAS USEFUL CITIZEN

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Mr. Emerson Ethridge Hutchison, 71, who died at his home here at 10:30 p.m. last Thursday, August 21, 1930, following a stroke of paralysis Wednesday morning from which he never rallied, was one of Dyer's most substantial and useful citizens. He was born in the vicinity of Dyer, August 26, 1859, the son of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Hutchison, and remained a resident here all his life.

From an humble beginning Mr. Hutchison, by diligence and acumen, gained a liberal share of worldly goods, and diverted it always into the proper channels. He provided well for his wife and children and gave them every advantage and fatherly counsel. He was considerate in all things and was frequently sought out for advice and judgment. He not only used his means to provide for those near and dear to him, but for the glorifying of God and the upbuilding of the community, both spiritually and socially.

His father, the late J. M. Hutchison, was one of the pioneer settlers of Dyer. He erected the first brick building here which was razed just a few years ago to accommodate a more modern structure, now housing the postoffice and several other places of business. He was a big cotton gin, flour mill and sawmill operator here for a number of years.

From him, Mr. E. E. Hutchison inherited noble qualities and business ability which made him outstanding as a leader in the community. When only eight years old he worked at the saw mill with his father and learned the trade which he followed until a few years ago when he retired.

Mr. Hutchison was united in marriage to Miss Lara Rebecca Thompson, April 8th, 1880. To this union six children were born, one having died in infancy.

For the past few years Mr. Hutchison had been declining in health. Only a few months ago he lost his sight and could distinguish his loved-ones and friends only by recognizing their voices. However, he was able to go about his home unassisted, and made several visits to town this spring and summer. He was able to be up and was feeling as well as usual the morning he was stricken.

Mr. Hutchison was highly respected by all his acquaintances and the news of his death was received with deep regret. Funeral services were held Saturday morning from the local Methodist church, of which he was a member, serving for many years as a trustee and steward. Revs. C. C. Newbill, J. H. Thomas and W. A. Baker conducted the service. Burial was in the Oakwood cemetery.

Mr. Hutchison is survived by five children—Arthur, of Bradford, Tenn.; Mrs. C. C. Kennedy, of St. Louis; C. W. of Dyer; and Mesdames A. N. Carne and Howard Turner of Dyer, and a number of grandchildren and other relatives, among them being four brothers—Mace, Elihue and Fount of Crystal Springs, Miss., and Luther of Colorado Springs, Colo.