

**DR. EDDIE DEAL GROSS**  
b. 1 November 1878  
d. 20 December 1968  
s/o **George Russell Gross & Matilda Cowan**  
h/o **Altie Knight Ferguson**  
b. July 1885  
d. 1 January 1956

Born the son of a farmer, **Eddie Deal Gross** wanted to make something of himself. Born on November 1, 1878, he spent his life in Smith County.

As a young man, he worked in a general merchandise store, in the Chestnut Mound community, to work his way through the Joseph W. Allen College in Carthage. After graduating, in December of 1902, he signed a contract with the Director of School District Number 10 employing him as a teacher of school Number 3 and agreed to pay him thirty dollars per month.

The money received from his teaching enabled he and **his brother John W. Gross** (*Dr. John William Horace Gross*) to enter the School of Medicine at the University of Nashville. He and his brother both graduated on March 31, 1905. He received his diploma and permanent M. D. license at the age of 26.

Dr. Gross remained in Smith County, while his brother entered the United States Navy. John W. Gross died a few months later of meningitis in the U. S. Navy Hospital in Portsmouth, Virginia on December 2, 1912.

Dr. E. D. Gross did most of his work in Smith County and surrounding counties. He practiced medicine for over 50 years. He was a member of the Tennessee and American Medical association, and the Smith County Medical Society and was at one time the President of the Upper Cumberland Medical Society.

Dr. Gross was loved by all his patients and friends. **He was married to Altie K. Ferguson**, who passed away January 1, 1956. They had three children, **Sadie Carter** of Carthage, TN, **Bill Gross** of Oak Ridge, TN, and **John Gross** of Chestnut Mound, TN. He was a member of the First Baptist Church of Carthage.

Dr. Gross died on December 20, 1968 at the age of 90.

**Source:** Smith County History, Smith County Homecoming '86 Heritage Committee, F 375, pg. 516.

### **GROSS CEMETERY**

The Gross Cemetery is located beside the house at #38 Maggart Road in Chestnut Mound.  
GPS 36-12-50N 85-49-99W

Gross, Sadie Murray Carter 16 July 1921 - 16 May 1997

**Gross, Dr. Eddie D.** 1 Nov 1878 - 20 Dec 1968 – *Son of George Russell Gross & Matilda Cowan.*

Gross, Altie K. 22 Jul 1885 - 1 Jan 1956 – *Altie K. Ferguson, w/o Dr. Eddie Deal Gross*

Gross, John H. 27 Dec 1912 - 2 Mar 1994

Gross, Ruth McDonald 30 Aug 1915 - 1 Aug 1995

Gross, Lizzie Lee 9 Sep 1866 - 24 Aug 1907

**Gross, George Russell** 3 Oct 1854 -13 Nov 1899 – Husband of Matilda Cowan, md 13 April 1876.

**Gross, Dr. John William Horace** 15 Aug 1882 - 2 Dec 1912 – *Died in U. S. Navy. Son of George Russell Gross & Matilda Cowan.*

Gross, William Horace 2 Mar 1858 - 28 Jun 1929

Gross, Sarah C. 16 Dec 1835 - 22 Aug 1892

There are 8-10 graves immediately to the north of this cemetery with burials marked with slate rocks or detected by depressions in the soil that are said to be of the Hawthorne family.

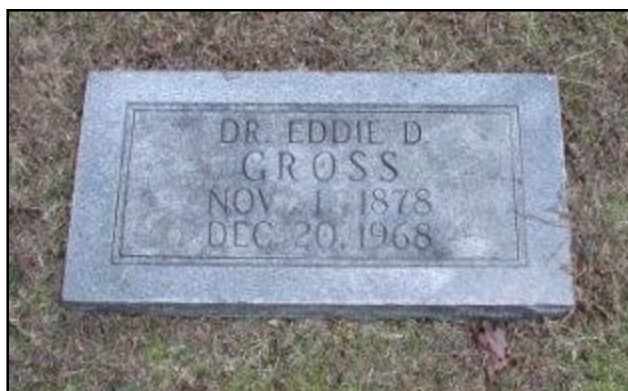
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Listed in Smith County Tennessee Cemeteries - South of the Cumberland River page 165.



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Matilda Cowan

**Census Place: 1920 District 8, Smith Co, TN**

Dwl: 68 Family: 71

**Eddie D. GROSS** Head 41 M W Physician General Practice TN TN TN

**Altie GROSS** Wife 36 F W TN TN TN

John H. GROSS Son 7 M W TN TN TN

**William H. GROSS** 61 Uncle M W Farmer General Farm TN TN TN

**Census Place: 1930 District 8, Alvin York Hwy #24, Smith Co, TN**

Dwl: 109 Family: 109

**Edd GROSS** Head 51 M W M (29 yrs. old 1st marriage) M.D. Physician  
TN TN TN

**Altie GROSS** Wife 44 F W M (22 yrs. old 1st marriage) TN TN TN

John H. GROSS Son 17 M W Single TN TN TN

Sadie GROSS Dau 8 F W Single TN TN TN

William GROSS Son 4 M W Single TN TN TN

**Census Place: 1880 District 11, Smith Co, Tennessee**

Source: FHL Film 1255280 National Archives Film T9-1280

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	Relation	Sex	Marr	Race	Age	Birthplace
<b>Russell GROSS</b>	Self	M	M	W	24	TN
Occ:	Farm Laborer		Fa: TN	Mo: TN		
<b>Matilda GROSS</b>	Wife	F	M	W	23	TN
Occ:	Keeping House		Fa: TN	Mo: KY		
<b>Edward GROSS</b>	Son	M	S	W	1	TN
Occ:	At Home	Fa: TN	Mo: TN			
Sadie GROSS	Dau	F	S	W	3M	TN
Occ:	At Home	Fa: TN	Mo: TN			

**Census Place: 1900 District 8, Smith Co, TN**

Dwl: 56 Family: 56

**William GROSS** March 1858 Farmer TN TN TN

(William Horace Gross)

L. L. GROSS September 1864 Sister TN TN TN

(Lizzie Lee Gross, sister of William Horace Gross)

**Edward GROSS** November 1878 Nephew TN TN TN

(Eddie Deal Gross, h/o Altie Knight Ferguson)

John W. H. GROSS August 1882 Nephew TN TN TN

Mack SMITH April 1881 Servant TN TN TN

**Census Place: 1910 District 8, Smith Co, TN**

Dwl: 103 Family: 103

**William H. GROSS** 52 Farmer TN TN TN

**Edd GROSS** 31 Nephew M1 (2 yrs. md) Physician Medicine TN TN TN

**Altie GROSS** 24 M1 (2 yrs. md) TN TN TN

C. L. SWIFT 50 Boarder TN TN TN

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