

Odell Russell Craighead Obt.

b. 17 October 1905, TN – d. 22 August 1952, Cookeville, Putnam Co., TN, md on the 22nd of December 1929, Putnam Co., TN to **Beatrice Whitaker**, b. 18 December 1904, Putnam Co., TN – d. July 1983, Cookeville, Putnam Co., TN, d/o **James Lawrence “Gus” Whiteaker** (1867-1950) & **Geneva Lusetta “Lou” Robinson** (1863-1953). Odell Russell Craighead, s/o **George Marshall Craighead** (1879-1953) & **Norma C. Clark** (1887-1973). Odell R. Craighead was a Billing Clerk in Wholesale Grocery Company Ragland Potter. He died of congestive heart failure. Odell and Beatrice Craighead are both buried in Rob Draper Memorial Cemetery, Gainesboro, Jackson Co., TN.

(**Source:** Tennessee State Marriage record, Putnam Co., TN, pg. 87 – Odell Craighead married 22 December 1929, Putnam Co., TN, age 24, address: Haydenburg to Miss Beatrice Whitaker, age 21, address: Baxter, TN. Name of parent, guardian or next of kin of female: J. L. Whittaker)

Funeral services for Odell Russell Craighead, 46, were held Sunday at 2:00 p.m. at the Broad Street Church of Christ. Mr. Craighead died Friday afternoon at his home on N. Dixie Avenue, following an illness of several years.

The ministers in charge of the service were Carl Gossett and Lewis Garrett. Burial was in Draper Cemetery at Gainesboro, Jackson Co., TN.

Mr. Craighead was a former Cookeville merchant and was employed by Ragland-Potter Wholesale Grocers until he suffered a heart attack several years ago. He was the son of George M. and Norma Clark Craighead and was a native of Jackson County. He was a member of the Broad Street Church of Christ.

Survivors include his widow, Mrs. Beatrice Whitaker Craighead, and two sons, Billy and Bobby Craighead all of Cookeville and by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Craighead.

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