

**NORMAN S. MAXWELL OBT.**

b. 27 July 1871 – d. 11 December 1959, Baxter, Putnam Co., TN, s/o **Pickney C. Maxwell & Jane Conway**. Norman S. Maxwell, h/o **Ida (Gossage) Maxwell**, b. 25 December 1875 – d. 26 January 1962, both buried in Odd Fellows Cemetery, Putnam Co., TN

Funeral services for Mr. Norman S. Maxwell, 88, were conducted Sunday afternoon from the chapel of Hooper-Huddleston Fuenral Home. Dr. Harry L. Upperman officiated. Burial was in the Odd Fellow Cemetery in Baxter.

Mr. Maxwell died Friday at his home in Baxter.

A retired wholesale grocery man, Mr. Maxwell was the son of Granville and Sana Medlin Maxwell.

Survivors include his wife, Mrs. Ida Gossage Maxwell; 2 daughters, Mrs. W. T. Sewell, and Mrs. Hop Lee, both of Baxter; a son, Pennock Maxwell, also of Baxter; 8 grandchildren; 12 great-grandchildren.

Putnam County Herald, TN: 14 December 1959

**BAXTER NEWS:**

Mr. & Mrs. Bob (Sue) Baldwin and daughter of Winchester were here to attend the funeral of her grandmother, Mrs. Ida Maxwell. They visited in the home of Mrs. Baldwin's parents, Mr. & Mrs. W. T. Sewell.

Putnam County Herald, TN: 1 February 1962

**Note: Sue Sewell, d/o William Thomas "Bill" Sewell & Winnie D. Maxwell, d/o Norman S. Maxwell & Ida J. Gossage.**

**WILLIAM THOMAS "BILL" SEWELL OBT.**

b. 17 July 1895 – d. 30 November 1973 md **Winnie Maxwell**, b. 3 October 1896 – d. 30 January 1983, Putnam Co., TN, d/o **Norman S. Maxwell & Ida J. Gossage**.

William Thomas Sewell Baxter Civic Leader Dies

W. T. "Bill" Sewell longtime business and civic leader in Putnam County, died Friday in Cookeville General Hospital after an extended illness. He was 78.

At the time of his death, he was president of the W. T. Sewell Wholesale & Supple Co. of Baxter, the town in which he lived with his wife, Winnie Maxwell Sewell, who survives, and where he had severed a number of terms as mayor. (William Thomas pictured left).

A Masonic service will be held tonight, Saturday, at the Hooper & Huddleston Funeral Home in Cookeville at 8 o'clock.

The funeral will be conducted from the chapel of the funeral home Sunday at 2 p.m. with burial in the Odd Fellows Cemetery.

A native of Tennessee, Mr. Sewell was the son the late Dr. William T. and Nancy Elizabeth Nixon Sewell.

During the long and active life in the affairs of the county, Mr. Sewell had held many positions. Besides the leadership of the firm he headed at the time of his death, he was vice chairman of the board of directors of the Citizens Bank, where he also served as president, and was a member of the board of directors of the Cookeville Federal Savings and Loan Association.

In public service positions, Mr. Sewell had also served long and well. In addition to his terms as mayor of Baxter, he had served on the board of Baxter Seminary and on the board of the Cookeville Housing Authority. At one time he was chairman of the Putnam County school board.

He was a past president of the Cookeville Rotary Club. He was a member of the United Methodist Church.

In addition to his wife, he is survived by two daughters, Mrs. Jim Austin of Baxter and Mrs. Robert Baldwin of Winchester, TN. He was the father of the late Tom Sewell.

Other survivors include a brother, James Nixon Sewell of Baxter, and seven sisters: Mrs. Falby Collier and Mrs. Mildred Hyder, both of Nashville; Mrs. Melinda Gordan, Mrs. Molly Vickers, Mrs. Alverta Chaffin, Mrs. Berta Randolph, Detroit, MI; and Mrs. Melissa Bradford, Ft. Worth, TX. There are seven grandchildren.

Herald-Citizen, Cookeville, TN: 30 November 1973, front page.

**WINNIE (MAXWELL) SEWELL OBT.**

b. 3 October 1896 – d. 30 January 1983, Putnam Co., TN md **William Thomas “Bill” Sewell**. Winnie (Maxwell) Sewell, d/o **Norman S. Maxwell & Ida J. Gossage**.

**BAXTER:** Funeral services for Mrs. Winnie Maxwell Sewell, 86, will be conducted at the Baxter Chapel of Hooper-Huddleston Funeral Home Tuesday at 2:30 with the Rev. Robert Prichard officiating.

Mrs. Sewell died January 30, 1983 in Cookeville General Hospital following an extended illness.

She was a native of Putnam County daughter of the late Norman and Ida Gossage Maxwell, widow of the late W. T. Sewell. She was a member of the Methodist Church.

Survivors include 2 daughters, Mrs. Jim (Wilma) Austin, Baxter, and Mrs. Bob (Sue) Baldwin, Winchester; 7 grandchildren; 7 great-grandchildren; a sister, Mrs. Hop Lee, Baxter, and a brother, Pennock Maxwell, Baxter.

Burial will be in the Odd Fellows Cemetery.

Active pallbearers are Jim Ed, Dale, Tom Austin, Parker Lowndes, Bill Sewell, and Dan Maxwell.

The family requests that memorial contributions be made to the Heart Fund.

Baxter Chapel of Hooper-Huddleston Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Herald-Citizen, Cookeville, TN: 31 January 1983

**WILMA (SEWELL) AUSTIN OBT.**

b. 27 July 1922, Baxter, Putnam Co., TN – d. 31 July 1995, Putnam Co., TN md **James E. Austin**, b. 30 September 1918 – d. 31 July 1995, Putnam Co., TN. Wilma (Sewell) Austin, d/o **William Thomas “Bill” Sewell & Winnie D. Maxwell**.

\*See Winnie (Maxwell) Sewell Obt. \*See William Thomas “Bill” Sewell Obt.

**BAXTER** – Funeral services for Wilma Sewell Austin, 73, of Baxter will be held Wednesday, August 2, at 2 p.m. in the Baxter Chapel of Hooper and Huddleston Funeral Home. Burial will be in Odd Fellows Cemetery.

Mrs. Austin died Monday, July 31, 1995, in Cookeville General Hospital.

She was born July 27, 1922, to the late William Thomas (W.T.) and Winnie Maxwell Sewell in Baxter.

Mrs. Austin was a homemaker, a member of the Baxter United Methodist Church, the Eastern Star, the Baxter Civitan Club, and the Baxter Square-Square Dancers.

Her family includes three sons, Jim Ed and Tom S. Austin, both of Baxter, and Dale T. Austin of Hopkinsville, Kentucky; one sister, Sue Baldwin of Winchester; six grandchildren, Cris Edward Austin, Tom Sewell Austin II, Amanda Jo and Kimberly Danielle Austin, Johnnie Robert Austin, and Brandee Dale Austin.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her husband, James E. Austin.

Active pallbearers include Cris Austin, Willard Johnson, Harold Bartlett, Robert Halfacre, Dan Maxwell, Joe Ed Morre, Bill Sewell, and Ralph Gentry. Bill and Earl Wayne Flynee, Danny Bush, Frank Bain, Tom Choate, and Darryl Maddux will serve as honorary pallbearers.

The family will receive friends after 5 p.m. today, August 1, at the funeral home.

Dr. Richard Diemer and Rev. Ernest Robertson will officiate at the services.

Herald-Citizen, Cookeville, TN: 1 August 1995

**DALE TURNER AUSTIN OBT.**

b. 14 February 1947, Putnam Co., TN – d. 13 July 1996, Hopkinsville, KY md Cindy Corbin. Dale Turner Austin, s/o **James E. Austin & Wilma Sewell.**

**BAXTER** – Funeral services for Dale Turner Austin, 49, of Baxter will be held Tuesday, July 16, at 2 p.m., in the Baxter Chapel of Hooper and Huddleston Funeral Home. Burial will be in the Odd Fellows Cemetery.

Mr. Austin was dead on arrival at Jenny Stuart Medical Center in Hopkinsville, KY, Saturday, July 13, 1996.

A native of Putnam County, he was born February 14, 1947, to the late James E. and Wilma Sewell Austin.

He was employed in the shipping department of Flynn Enterprises of Hopkinsville, KY.

He family includes one daughter, Brandee Dale Austin, and one son, Johnnie Robert Austin, both of Hopkinsville, KY; and two brothers, Jim Ed and Tom Austin, both of Baxter.

The family will receive friends after 6 p.m. today, July 15, at the funeral home.

Dr. Richard Diemer and the Rev. Ernest L. Robertson will officiate at the services.

Herald- Citizen, Cookeville, TN: 16 July 1996.

**INA JEWELL (MAXWELL) LEE OBT.**

b. 4 November 1905 – d. 17 August 1991 md **Hopkins Turney Lee**, b. October 17, 1906 – d. March 22, 1968.

**BAXTER** – Funeral services for Ina Jewell Maxwell (Sister) Lee, 85, of Baxter will be conducted in the Baxter chapel of Hooper & Huddleston Funeral Home today, Sunday, August 18, at 3 p.m. Burial will be in the Odd Fellows Cemetery.

Mrs. Lee died Saturday, August 17, 1991, at Cookville General Hospital.

A native of Baxter, she was the daughter of the late Norman and Ida Gossage Maxwell and the widow of Hop T. Lee.

Mrs. Lee has no immediate family except several nieces and nephews whom she has held a close relationship with.

She was a member of the First United Methodist Church in Baxter.

She played an active part, along with her father and other members of the family and W. T. "Bill" Sewell, in the success of W. T. Sewell & Co. of Baxter, founded in 1923.

Active pallbearers will be Jim Ed Austin, Tom Austin, Larry Maxwell, Bob Dale Maxwell, Chris Austin and Dan Maxwell.

Dr. Richard D. Diemer will officiate at the services.

Herald Citizen Newspaper, Cookeville, TN: 18 August 1991

\*See Maxwell files at: <http://www.ajlambert.com>