

Nancy Josephine "Josie" Wallace Obituary  
b. 10 October 1866, TN  
d. 30 June 1948, Baxter, Putnam Co., TN  
d/o McDonald Wallace & Juliann "Julia" Ann Henley  
md Silas Foster "Sil" Maddux  
s/o George Henry Maddux & Elizabeth J. Brown  
\*See Chapter 15: <http://www.ajlambert.com>

Putnam County Herald Newspaper, Cookeville, TN: Front page: 1 July 1948  
Mrs. Nancy Josephine Maddux died yesterday at her home in Baxter. She was 81 years of age. Funeral services will be held this afternoon at 2:30 a the Baxter Methodist Church with the Rev. Dow Ensor officiating, assisted by the Rev. G. C. McIlwain. Burial will be in the Maddux – Elrod Cemetery.

Mrs. Maddux was the widow of Silas Maddux. She is survived by 1 son, George H. Maddux, Baxter; 1 daughter, Mrs. Solon Gentry, Cookeville; 1 brother, Bill Wallace, Silver Point, and 1 sister, Mrs. Lewis Anderson, Silver Point.

Putnam County Herald Newspaper, Cookeville, TN : page, 8: 22 October 1942  
Funeral Services Held Friday for Silas F. Maddux  
Funeral services were held last Friday (*16 October, 1942*) for Silas F. Maddux, 78, at his home in Baxter, the Rev. J. A. and J. D. Harris officiating. Burial was in the family cemetery on the Nashville highway. (*Maddux – Elrod Cemetery*).

Survivors besides his wife are 1 son, George Maddux of Baxter, and 1 daughter, Mrs. Solon Gentry of Cookeville; 11 grandchildren and 13 great grandchildren.

Mr. Maddux was a member of the Methodist Church, a Mason and Modern Woodman. He was engaged in farming prior to his retirement a few years ago.

Source: <http://www.tngenes.net/obituaries/anames.html>

Elmer Lincoln Wirt published the first issue of the Putnam County Herald on February 11, 1903. It was a weekly newspaper that sold for 25¢ per year and detailed the activities of the local citizens. Former citizens often wrote letters describing the events going on in their current locale.

Interspersed throughout the paper were the details of the passing of some of the citizens. Although some of the obituaries were elaborate articles providing many details of the deceased, most obituaries were only one or two sentences simply announcing the passing of a loved one. Due to the erosion of tombstone inscriptions over time and the failure to record many deaths during the early part of the century, the newspaper obituary was the only record of an individual's passing.

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