

**MEDLEY GRAVEYARD**

Located across from the Old Lloyd Denny place, Hopewell & Medley Rd, Putnam Co., TN  
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- \***William Riley MEDLEY**, b. 22 December 1857, TN – d. 12 February 1944, s/o George Washington "Goot" Medley, Putnam Co., TN & Amanda D. Smith, DeKalb Co., TN.
- \***Mary Elizabeth PEDIGO MEDLEY**, b. 4 December 1860 – d. 24 April 1892.
- \***Martha MEDLEY**, b. 25 July 1876 – d. 11 October 1896, w/o William Riley Medley.
- \***Ada (MCCULLEY) MEDLEY**, b. 25 October 1876, TN – d. 1958, w/o William Riley Medley.

**Ada (McCulley) MEDLEY Obt.**

Medley Funeral Held Here Thursday:

Mrs. Ada McCulley Medley, 82, died last Wednesday at the home of a daughter, Mrs. T. D. Alcorn in Buffalo Valley.

Funeral services were conducted Thursday afternoon at Hooper and Huddleston Funeral Home with the Rev. Ottis Welch officiating. She was a member of the Presbyterian Church. Survivors are 2 daughters, Mrs. L. D. Denny and Mrs. T. D. Alcorn & son E. E. Medley of Old Hickory; 2 sisters, Mrs. E. P. Carr and Miss Willie McCulley of Boma, 2 brothers, Sam McCulley of Algood, and Leonard McCulley of Wilmington, CA; 6 grandchildren & 5 great grandchildren.

The Citizen, Cookeville, TN: Wednesday, 10 December 1958.

**William R. MEDLEY Obt.**

Funeral services were held Sunday for W. R. Medley, 86, who died at his home near Buffalo Valley, with the Rev. J. A. Harris officiating. Mr. Medley had been confined to his room for some time.

He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Ada McCulley Medley and nine children, Z. A. Medley, Buffalo Valley, Doss Medley, Silver Point, Ernest Medley, Baxter, Mrs. Solon Johnson, Baxter, Mrs. Allie Presley, Gallatin, E. E. Medley, Cyril Medley, Mrs. L. D. Denny and Mrs. T. D. Alcorn, all of Buffalo Valley.

Mr. Medley was engaged in farming and livestock production until his retirement a few years ago.

Putnam County Herald, Cookeville, TN: Thursday, 17 February 1944.

**Census Place: 1880 District 1, Putnam Co., Tennessee**

Source: FHL Film 1255275 National Archives Film T9-1275 Page 88D

Dwl: 203 Family: 203

	Relation	Sex	Marr	Race	Age	Birthplace
<b>W. R. MEDLEY</b>	Self	M	M	W	23	TN
	Occ:	Farmer	Fa: TN	Mo: TN		
<b>M.E. MEDLEY</b>	Wife	F	M	W	19	TN
	Occ:	Keeping House	Fa: TN	Mo: TN		

(1900 census 11<sup>th</sup> Civil Dist., Putnam Co., TN: Dwl: 10 – **William R. Medley**, 42 yrs. old, b. December 1857, TN md 3 yrs. to **Ada “Ader” McCulley**, 23 yrs. old, b. October 1876, TN, 1 child born, 1 child living. Children: Zina A., son, 19 yrs. old, b. July 1880; Haritte, 15 yrs. old, b. July 1884; Earnest, 14 yrs. old, b. November 1885; Elsie Marion, 13 yrs. old, b. 13 March 1888 (census states 13 March 1887), Babe, son, 10 yrs. old, b. November 1889 & Eskel E. “Dock” Medley, 2 yrs. old, b. January 1898. All born in TN).

(1910 census 11<sup>th</sup> Civil Dist., Putnam Co., TN: Dwl: 175 – **William R. Medley** is head of household, 52 yrs. old, TN md 14 yrs. to **Ada**, 34 yrs. old, TN, 4 children born, 4 children living. Children: Elsa M., 22 yrs. old; Babe, 20 yrs. old; Eschol E., 12 yrs. old; Verte M., 9 yrs. old; Cyril H., 6 yrs. old; Mabel R., 4 yrs. old & Arnold Medley, 2 yrs. old. All born in TN).

(1920 census 11<sup>th</sup> Civil Dist., Putnam Co., TN: Dwl: 24 – **William R. Medley** is head of household, 62 yrs. old, TN md to **Ada**, 42 yrs. old, TN. Children: Eschol E., 21 yrs. old; Verte Mai, 17 yrs. old; Cyril, 16 yrs. old & Mabel R., 14 yrs. old. All born in TN).

(1930 census 11<sup>th</sup> Civil Dist., Putnam Co., TN: Dwl: 161 – **William R. Medley** is head of household, 72 yrs. old, TN (21 yrs. old 1<sup>st</sup> marriage) md to **Ada**, 53 yrs. old, TN (20 yrs. old 1<sup>st</sup> marriage).

(1930 census 11th Civil Dist., Putnam Co., TN: Dwl: 162 - **Eschol E. Medley** is head of household, 32 yrs. old, TN (23 yr. old 1st marriage) md to **Buena Vista Denny**, 27 yrs. old, TN (19 yrs. old 1st marriage). Child: William "Bill" Rankin Medley, 6 yrs. old, TN).

**Cyril Harold MEDLEY Obt.**

b. 12 December 1903, Buffalo Valley, Putnam Co., TN – d. 17 March 1956, Buffalo Valley, Putnam Co., TN s/o **William Riley Medley & Ada McCulley**. DC#6256, Dist. 9, Putnam Co., TN. Cause of Death: possible Cerebral Hemorrhage died suddenly no physician. Doctor signed: Dr. J. Fred Terry, M. D., Cookeville, TN. Age 52. Residence: Buffalo Valley on a farm. Occupation: Farmer. Father: William R. Medley. Mother: Ada McCulley. Informant: E. E. Medley, Old Hickory, TN. Undertaker: Hooper-Huddleston Funeral Home. Registrar: Elise B. Dyer. Burial: Family Cemetery. Social Security: 411-16-9412. Service: WWII.

Cyril Medley, son of Mrs. Ada Medley, and the late William R. Medley, died Saturday morning at the home of his sisters, Mrs. T. D. Alcorn in Buffalo Valley.

Mr. Medley had been ill for several months but apparently was improving and his death was unexpected.

He was born and reared in Buffalo Valley community where he had spent the greater part of his life. For a short time he resided in California. He was engaged in farming.

Funeral services were conducted Sunday afternoon at the Buffalo Valley Presbyterian church by the pastor, Rev. Clarence Barger. Interment was near the Medley home place.

Mr. Medley made his home with his mother, residing in the house where he was born approximately 50 years ago.

Besides his mother and sister, Mrs. Alcorn he is survived by another sister, Mrs. L. D. Denny, Buffalo Valley, a brother, E. E. Medley of Old Hickory; two half sisters, Mrs. Allie Presley, Gallatin; Mrs. Solon Johnson, Baxter, two half brothers, Doss Medley of Silver Point and Ernest Medley of Baxter.

Putnam County Herald, Cookeville, TN: 22 March 1956.

**Bessie Lee MEDLEY**, b. 4 November 1910 – d. 16 December 1910, d/o **Doss & Samantha J. Medley**

**Infant MEDLEY**, of **Eugene Eschol "Dock" Medley & Buena Vista Denny**.  
(unmarked grave)

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**Sara Martha (Medley) Jared Obt.**

b. 17 October 1930 – d. 20 May 1979, Putnam Co., TN, d/o **Martin Luke Medley & Pauline Maddux**. Sara M. Jared md **Eugene Thurl Jared**, s/o **Cordell & MaeNell (Jared) Jared**.

Both Sara & Thurl attended Putnam County Schools, and Cookeville Senior High School. Both graduated from Tennessee Tech, and both did post graduate work at Vanderbilt University, Nashville. Sarah was an English teacher at Cookeville Senior High School. Eugene has a private Law practice at Cookeville. He is owner and operator of Cove Hollow Boat Dock, Center Hill Lake, Putnam County, TN. He was a Lt. in the U.S. Army and saw action in Korea. Sara lost her life in a tragic fire that destroyed their home in May 1979.

Medical authorities confirmed late yesterday the identification of the body of Sara Martha Jared, found late Sunday in the ruins of her Brotherton Mountain home destroyed by fire early last Saturday.

Identification of the body was made by means of an existing spinal X-ray of Mrs. Jared and other studies made by University of Tennessee pathologist Dr. William, Bass and Putnam County Medial Examiner Dr. Robert West, sheriff's department officials said today.

No further determination on the cause of the fire has been made though investigation continues, officials said.

Funeral services for Mrs. Jared, 48, who was a teacher at Putnam Senior High here, are set for 11 a.m. Thursday at the First United Methodist Church. **Burial will be in Cookeville City Cemetery.**

She is survived by her **husband Eugene Thurl Jared**; one son, Mark Douglas Jared; one daughter, Amy Laura Jared; her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Luke Medley; and three brothers, Martin, Mike and Don Medley, all of Cookeville.

The Reverends G. David Campbell and Phillip Ritter will conduct the services.

Pallbearers will be Judge Leon Burns, Joe Thorne, L. A. Allen Jr., Jim Madewell, Hubert Bennett Jr., Harry Talkington, Bob Holloway and Jack Sallee.

Hooper & Huddleston Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Herald Citizen Newspaper, Cookeville, TN: 22 May 1979

#### **Beverly McKennie Medley Obt.**

Beverly McKennie Medley, age 81, September 24, 1993. Survived by wife, Irene Medley of Nashville; brother, Judge Martin Luke Medley of Cookeville, TN; several nieces & nephews. Honorary pallbearers: The Mitchum Sunday School Class of Hobson Methodist Church. Active pallbearers: Paul Michael, Donlad, Martin Luther and Adron Medley, James Cannon, Nathan and Malcolm Sewell. Funeral services will be held Monday, September 27, 1993 at 1:00 p.m. in **Woodlawn Memorial Park in the Garden of Resthaven**, with William Sasser and Frank Ebel officiating. Arrangements by Woodlawn Funeral Home, 383-4754.

Tennessean, TN: Sunday, 26, September 1993, pg. 7 B.

**(Beverly Medley marries Marain C. Reynolds**, December 20 in Kentucky. He is a student at U. T. Courier, TN: 18 January 1934).

#### **Ernest Medley Obt.**

b. 15 November 1885, TN – d. 26 September 1967, Carthage, Smith Co., TN md **Micheal Martelia “Telia” (Anderson ) Medley**, b. 23 February 1891, Silver Point, TN – d. 1 July 1952, Cookeville, Putnam Co., TN, d/o **Lewis Monroe Anderson** (1867-1935) & **Matilda Isabelle Wallace** (1872-1956). **Ernest Medley**, s/o **William Riley Medley** (1857-1944) & **Mary Elizabeth Pedigo** (1860-1892). \*See Micheal Martelia “Telia” (Anderson) Medley Obt.

Funeral services for **Ernest Medley**, 81, were held Wednesday in the chapel of Hooper-Huddleston Funeral Home with Rev. Lynn Markham, Pastor of Stevens St. Baptist Church officiating. **Burial was in the Cookeville Cemetery.**

Mr. Medley, a retired farmer of the Baxter community, died Tuesday at a Carthage Rest Home, following a long illness.

**His parents were William R. and Mary Pedigo Medley.**

Survivors are daughters, Mrs. John Neal, Baxter, Miss Louise Medley, Cookeville; 2 sons, Arnold Medley, Madison and Lamar Medley, Clinton; 5 grandchildren and 4 great grandchildren; 2 brothers, Doss Medley, Baxter and Eugene Ecsol Medley, Old Hickory; 3 sisters, Mrs. Elsie Johnson, Baxter, Mrs. Mable Alcorn, Buffalo Valley and Mrs. Lloyd Denny, Silver Point.

*(Ernest Medley md Micheal "Telia" Anderson, d/o Lewis Monroe Anderson & Matilda Isabelle Wallace).*

Herald, Cookeville, TN: 28 September 1947.

**Eugene Eschol "Dock" Medley**

b. 26 April 1902, TN – d. 21 November 1982 md **Buena Vista Denny**, b. 23 January 1898 – d. 19 August 1976, d/o **John Rankin Denny** (1877-1952) & **Ada Scruggs** (1877-1925). They are both buried in the Rock Springs Cemetery, Putnam Co., TN.

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**Children of Eugene Eschol "Dock" Medley & Buena Vista (Denny) Medley are:**

- ...William "Bill" Rankin Medley – b. 26 Sept. 1923, TN – md 28 Sept. 1944,  
Bonnie Mae Herndon – b. 24 July 1925 – d. 24 January 1987, d/o Dewey  
Herndon & Elizabeth Harney - +Rock Springs Cemetery, Putnam Co., TN
- ...Esther Medley – b. 13 May 1931, Buffalo Valley – d. 9 Nov. 2007, Alexandria, VA  
md Michael D. Broderick (\*See Esther (Medley) Broderick Obt.-Denny files)  
(Her ashes were sprinkled on her parents graves, E. E. & Buena V. Medley).
- ...Vista Medley – b. 22 October 1938 - md Mr. Miller - md Dorse  
Clark Carroll Sr., b. ca. 1940 – d. 17 November 2002, s/o Ruth Reynolds

**James Sidney "Sid" Medley Obt.**

b. 16 December 1853 – d. 16 June 1943 md **Mary Elizabeth (Isbell) Medley**, b. 22 November 1852, TN – d. 16 March 1930, d/o **James Isbell** & **Melvina Mitchell**. James Sidney Medley, s/o **George Washington "Goot" Medley** (1826-1916) & **Amanda D. Smith**, d/o **Thomas J. Smith** & **Matilda Puckett**. George Washington "Goot" Medley md 2nd Fannie Childress - md 3rd Sarah Garrison. James Sidney "Sid" Medley **buried in Cookeville City Cemetery.**

\*See Mary Elizabeth (Isbell) Medley Obt.

Funeral services were held Saturday afternoon at the house of J. J. Bradford, 103 Franklin Street, for **James Sidney Medley**, age 89, who had been ill for only a few weeks. He was a member of the First Baptist Church of Cookeville.

Survivors are three sons, Jim Medley of Silver Point; Bob Medley, Nashville, and Fate Medley, Nashville; two daughters, Daisy Vaughn and Mrs. J. J. Bradford, both of Cookeville; two brothers, Bill Medley and

Columbus Medley of Silver Point; one sister, Mrs. Lovie Lafever, of Silver Point, and a number of grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Putnam County Herald, Cookeville, TN: Thursday, 24 June 1943.

Census Place:1880 District 8, De Kalb Co., Tennessee

Source: FHL Film 1255252 National Archives Film T9-1252 Page 176D

Dwl: 30

	Relation	Sex	Marr	Race	Age	Birthplace
<b>J. C. MEDLEY</b>	Self	M	M	M	W	26 TN
	Occ:	Farming	Fa: TN	Mo: TN		
<b>Mary E. MEDLEY</b>	Wife	F	M	M	W	27 TN
	Occ:	Keeps House	Fa: TN	Mo: TN		
Amanda MEDLEY	Dau	F	S	S	W	4 TN
	Occ:	At Home	Fa: TN	Mo: TN		
James W. MEDLEY	Son	M	S	S	W	3 TN
			Fa: TN	Mo: TN		
Maud MEDLEY	Dau	F	S	S	W	5M TN
			Fa: TN	Mo: TN		

Census Place:1880 District 8, De Kalb Co., Tennessee

Source: FHL Film 1255252 National Archives Film T9-1252 Page 176D

Dwl: 31

	Relation	Sex	Marr	Race	Age	Birthplace
<b>G. W. MEDLEY</b>	Self	M	M	M	W	52 TN
	Occ:	Farming	Fa: VA	Mo: VA		
<b>Amanda MEDLEY</b>	Wife	F	M	M	W	45 TN
	Occ:	Keeps House	Fa: TN	Mo: TN		
George MEDLEY	Son	M	S	S	W	16 TN
	Occ:	Farm Labor	Fa: TN	Mo: TN		
Alvin MEDLEY	Son	M	S	S	W	15 TN
	Occ:	Farm Labor	Fa: TN	Mo: TN		
John MEDLEY	Son	M	S	S	W	13 TN
	Occ:	Farm Labor	Fa: TN	Mo: TN		
Octava F. MEDLEY	Dau	F	S	S	W	11 TN
			Fa: TN	Mo: TN		
Laverna MEDLEY	Dau	F	S	S	W	5 TN
	Occ:	At Home	Fa: TN	Mo: TN		
Collumbus MEDLEY	Son	M	S	S	W	2 TN
			Fa: TN	Mo: TN		

**Joseph Washington "Doss" Medley Obt.**

**Joseph Washington "Doss" Medley**, 88, died in the chapel of Baxter Funeral Home with **burial in Carlen Cemetery, Putnam County**. Rev. Guy Farris will officiate.

Mr. Medley, a retired farmer and a native of DeKalb county, was the **son of William Riley and Mary Elizabeth Pedigo Medley**.

Survivors are his widow, Mrs. Edna Whitehead Medley, Baxter; 16 children; 2 half-sisters, and one half-brother. Baxter Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Herald-Citizen, Cookeville, TN: 21 June 1971, pg. 3.

**Martin Luke Medley Obt.**

## LUKE MEDLEY, FORMER JUDGE, MAYOR, DIES

Funeral services for **M. L. (Luke) Medley**, 91, a long-time leader in local government, industry recruitment and public service in Putnam County and the Upper Cumberland, will be held at 11 a.m. Monday at First Presbyterian Church in Cookeville, with **burial in Cookeville City Cemetery**.

His family will receive friends from 4 to 9 p.m. today at the chapel of Hooper and Huddleston Funeral Home.



Mr. Medley died at his home on Friday, July 24, 1998.

A visionary with a life-long philosophy of public service, Medley was responsible for helping to bring electricity to the rural communities in the 1930's and served as a driving force in organizing the Chamber of Commerce and Upper Cumberland Development District.

In 1940, Medley founded WHUB radio, one of the first small-market radio CBS affiliates in the country and the first station to serve the Upper Cumberland.

A lifelong Republican, he was repeatedly elected to public office in Putnam County, which was traditionally Democratic at the time. Some of the offices he held included Putnam County judge for 16 years, Cookeville mayor for two terms, and he also served as a justice of the peace.

He also served as secretary of the Tennessee Republican Party for 20 years.

His advocacy and influence is partly responsible for some of the defining characteristics of Putnam County, including the hospital, library, municipal buildings and fairgrounds.

He helped to ensure an adequate water supply for Cookeville and much of rural Putnam County, and his representation on the five-member governor's committee to route Tennessee's interstate highway system guaranteed Upper Cumberland access to I-40.

Medley was also known for his commitment to excellence in education, which is reflected by his role in the county's school consolidation and improvement plan.

An alumnus of Tennessee Tech here in Cookeville, he served on both the Tennessee Tech and University of Tennessee Development Councils.

Medley was also a longtime member and former elder of the Buffalo Valley and Cookeville First Presbyterian Churches.

His family includes his **wife of 70 years, Pauline Maddux Medley; three sons, Martin Luke Medley Jr., and Don R. Medley**, all of Cookeville; 10 grandchildren and five great grandchildren.

**He was preceded in death by his parents, Zina and Sarah Judd Medley; a daughter, Sara Martha Medley Jared, and two brothers, Ralph and Beverly Medley.**

Serving as pallbearers will be Dr. Jeff Gleason, Andrew McCain, Dr. Christian Christensen, and grandsons Martin Luke Medley II, Paul Michael Medley Jr., Richard Medley and Mark Jared.

Honorary pallbearers will be W.R. Whitaker, H. S. Barnes, Louis Johnson, Dr. William S. Taylor, Lamar Medley, Warren G. Medley, Dr. Adron Medley and former employees of WHUB.

Memorial contributions can be made in Mr. Medley's memory to the Luke and Pauline Medley Scholarship Endowment at Tennessee Tech, Box 5047, Cookeville, TN 38505.

Herald-Citizen Newspaper, Cookeville, TN: Front Page, 26 July 1998

**Mary Elizabeth (Isbell) Medley Obt.**

b. 22 November 1852 – d. 16 March 1930, Putnam Co., TN, w/o **James Sidney “Sid” Medley**. Mary Elizabeth (Isbell) Medley, d/o **James Isbell & Melvina Mitchell**.

\*See James Sidney “Sid” Medley Obt.

Certificate: #6606

Putnam Co., TN

Deceased: **Mrs. Mary Elizabeth Medley**

Age: 77y 4m

Birth Place: TN

Death: 16 Mar 1930

Father: **James Usbell - Isbell**

Father's Birth Place: TN

Mother: **Melvina Mitchell**

Mother's Birth Place: TN

Cemetery: City Cemetery

Mrs. Sid Medley Goes to Her Reward

The death of **Mrs. Mary Isbell Medley** on Sunday morning, March 16, at her home in West Cookeville, caused profound grief to her family and many friends. She was 77 years of age and had lived a long and useful life of devotion to her children and as a member of the M. E. Church, South.

She is survived by her husband **Sid Medley**, three sons, Jim, Fate, and Bob Medley, all of Nashville; three daughters, Mrs. Daisy Vaughn, of Laurel Hill; Mrs. Effie Bradford of Cookeville; and Mrs. Maude Carr of Mississippi; also by one brother W. L. Isbell of this city, and several grandchildren. Two daughters and one son preceded her to the grave.

The funeral was conducted by Rev. Sam Edwards at the home on Monday morning, followed by **internment at the City Cemetery** in the family lot.

Putnam County Herald, Cookeville, TN: Thursday, 20 March 1930.

**Ralph Pedigo Medley Obt.**

b.20 December 1902 – d. 23 December 1951, s/o **Zina A. Medley & Sara Sophronia Judd**. He md **Maurine (Spain) Medley**.

\*See Zina A. Medley buried in Cookeville City Cemetery

Funeral rites for Ralph Pedigo Medley, 49, who died Sunday morning of a heart attack a few hours after arriving at a Madison, Tennessee hospital were conducted at 2 p.m., Tuesday afternoon at the Buffalo Valley Presbyterian Church with the Rev. Charles Newton Sharpe officiating. **Burial was in the City Cemetery.**

A retired merchant, he was the son of Mrs. Sarah Judd Medley and the late Z. A. Medley of Buffalo Valley. He was a member of the Presbyterian Church.

Survivors in addition to his mother, include his wife, Mrs. Maurine Spain Medley; a daughter, Alice Temple Medley, a son, Ralph Adrin Medley; and two brothers, Judge Luke Medley of Cookeville and Beverley Medley of Washington D. C.

Putnam County Herald, Cookeville, TN: Thursday, 27 December 1951.

**Sara Sophronia (Judd) Medley Obt.**

b. 22 February 1880 – d. 31 May 1964. She married **Zina A. Medley**, b. 16 July 1880 – d. 17 March 1951, both buried in **Cookeville City Cemetery**.

\*See Zina A. Medley buried in Cookeville City Cemetery.

Funeral services for Mrs. Sara Sophronia Medley, 84, were held today at the Buffalo Valley Presbyterian Church with Dr. Charles N. Sharpe and the Rev. Bill Janes officiating.

Mrs. Medley, a retired homemaker, of Buffalo Valley, Rt. 1 died Sunday May 31, 1964, at the Cookeville Hospital where she was taken last Wednesday following an extended illness. She was the mother of Cookeville Mayor Luke Medley.

A native of Putnam County, she was the daughter of Francis Marion Judd and Ascenath Judd and a member of the Buffalo Valley, U. S. A. Presbyterian Church.

She is survived by two sons, Luke of Cookeville and Beverly M. of Nashville; three sisters, Mrs. Mary Anderson and Mrs. Ailene Judd, Silver Point and Mrs. Emma Harper of Dallas, TX.

Whitson Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

The Cookeville Citizen, Cookeville, TN: Tuesday, 2 June 1964.

#### **Zina A. Medley Obt.**

b. 16 July 1880, TN – d. 17 March 1951, Buffalo Valley, Putnam Co., TN, md **Sarah Sophronia Fronie (Judd) Medley**, b. 22 February 1880, Putnam Co., TN – d. 31 May 1964, Putnam Co., TN, d/o **Francis Marion & Asenath “Sena” Judd**. Zina A. Medley, s/o **William Riley Medley & Mary Elizabeth Pedigo**.

\* See Sara Sophronia (Judd) Medley Obt. \*See Ralph Pedigo Medley Obt.

Rites Monday for **Zina Medley**, 70, who died Saturday at his home in Buffalo Valley. Funeral services were at Buffalo Valley Presbyterian Church with Rev. Arbaugh officiating. **Interment was in Cookeville City Cemetery**. Survivors are **Sarah (Judd) Medley, his wife**, and 3 sons, Beverly, Ralph, and Luke Medley.

(1900 census 11<sup>th</sup> Civil Dist., Putnam Co., TN: Dwl: 10 – **William R. Medley**, 42 yrs. old, b. December 1857, TN md 3 yrs. to **Ada “Ader” McCulley**, 23 yrs. old, b. October 1876, TN, 1 child born, 1 child living. Children in household: **Zina A.**, son, 19 yrs. old, b. July 1880; Haritte, 15 yrs. old, b. July 1884; Earnest, 14 yrs. old, b. November 1885; Elsie Marion, 13 yrs. old, b. 13 March 1888 (census states 13 March 1887), Babe, son, 10 yrs. old, b. November 1889 & Eskel E. “Dock” Medley, 2 yrs. old, b. January 1898. All born in TN).

(Eskel Eschol “Dock” Medley md Buena Vista Denny, b. 26 April 1902).

**(William R. Medley md 1<sup>st</sup> Mary Elizabeth Pedigo)**.

(1920 census 9<sup>th</sup> Civil Dist., Putnam Co., TN: Dwl: 15 Family: 17 – **Zina Medley** is head of household, 39 yrs. old, TN, Occupation: Merchant General Store, md to **Froina**, 39 yrs. old, TN. Children: Ralph, 17 yrs. old; Luke, 12 yrs. old & Beverly Medley, 7 yrs. old. All born in TN. Also living in the household: Alice Judd, sister-in-law, single, 30 yrs. old, TN and Floyd Huddleston, hired help, 20 yrs. old, TN).

(1930 census 9<sup>th</sup> Civil Dist., Putnam Co., TN: Dwl: 62 Family: 68 – **Luke Medley** is head of household, 22 yrs. old, TN, Occupation: Occupation: Merchant General Store, (20 yrs. old 1<sup>st</sup> marriage), md to **Pauline**, 23 yrs. old, TN, (21 yrs. old 1<sup>st</sup> marriage).

(1930 census 9<sup>th</sup> Civil Dist., Putnam Co., TN: Dwl: 63 Family: 69 – **Zina Medley** is head of household, 49 yrs. old, TN, Occupation: Occupation: Merchant General Store, (21 yrs. old 1<sup>st</sup> marriage), md to **Frona**, 50 yrs. old, TN. Children: Beverly Medley, 17 yrs. old, TN)



**Solon Madison JOHNSON Obt.**

Funeral services for Solon Madison Johnson, 83, were held Saturday at the Baxter Church of Christ with Ben Flatt of Carthage officiating.

Mr. Johnson died Thursday at his home in Baxter following an extended illness. **Burial was in Smellage Cemetery.**

A native of Putnam County he was the son of the late Thomas Stone and Virginia Leftwich Johnson. He was a nursery salesman. He was a member of the Church of Christ.

He is survived by his **wife Mrs. Elsie Medley Johnson** of Baxter and one brother W. L. Johnson of Baxter.

Baxter Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

The Citizen Newspaper, Cookeville, TN: Tuesday, 23 August 1966.

**Clarence "Babe" MEDLEY**

b. 14 November 1889, near Buffalo Valley, TN - d. 24 September 1917, Boma, Putnam Co., TN  
DC# Vol. 40, pg. 535, Dist. 11, Putnam Co., TN: Cause of Death: Organic Heart Lesion. Attended by J. C. Mason, M. D. Undertaker: J. H. Medley, Silver Point, Putnam Co., TN.

**BURIED: Smellage Cemetery, Boma, Putnam Co., TN**

**WIFE:** Ida Geneverett (Carr) Medley Butler Kirkham, md 27 August 1911, Boma, Putnam Co., TN, buried in Smellage Cemetery.

(Source: Marriage record: Babe Medley md 27 August 1911, Putnam Co., TN Ida Carr: Vol. 5, pg. 58, certificate 228, Putnam Co., TN)

(Ida Geneverett Carr md 1st Clarence "Babe" Medley, 27 August 1911, Hopewell, Putnam Co., TN - md 2nd Leighton Bascome Butler, 1 January 1922, Boma, Putnam Co., TN - md 3rd Mr. Kirkham)

**PARENTS:** William Riley Medley, (s/o George Washington "Goot" Medley, Putnam Co., TN & Amanda D. Smith, DeKalb Co., TN) & Mary Elizabeth Pedigo.

(William Riley Medley, b. 22 December 1857, DeKalb Co., TN - d. 12 February 1944 md Mary Elizabeth Pedigo, b. 4 December 1860, TN - d. 24 April 1892 & md Ada "Ader" McCulley, b. 25 October 1876, TN - d. 1958, all buried in the Medley Graveyard, Putnam Co., TN located across from the Lloyd Denny place).

(DC #6358, 11th Civil Dist., Putnam Co., TN: William Riley Medley: 86 yrs., 1 month, 20 days. Cause of Death: Cerebral Hemorrhage. Attended by: Eddie Deal Gross, M. D., Chestnut Mound, TN. Informant: E. E. "Doc" Medley. Undertaker: Carver Funeral Home, Cookeville, TN. Resident: Silver Point, Rt. 1, Putnam Co., TN. Parents: George Washington Medley & Amanda Smith).

(DC #346, 18th Civil Dist., Bloomington Springs, Putnam Co., TN: George Washington "Goot" Medley, b. 12 November 1832, TN - d. 6 March 1916, TN. Cause of Death: Died at 9:00 a.m. of Uremic poisoning, Bright's Disease and Chronic Kidney troubles. Attended by: John Isaac "Ike" "J. I." Allison, M. D., Bloomington Springs, TN. True: J. S. Medley, Baxter, TN. Registrar: J. C. Brown. Undertaker: J. C. Medley, Baxter, TN. Buried in the Bloomington Cemetery, Putnam Co., TN. Parents: George Medley Sr., KY & Mary Poley Howell, KY. George Washington Medley, Co I 1st Tenn Mtd Inf).

(George Washington "Goot" Medley md Amanda D. Smith, she is buried in the Aelee Cemetery, DeKalb Co., TN, located going south on Maggart Ridge Rd. to Second Creek. The cemetery is near the end at the bottom of a hill among several cabins. George Washington "Goot" Medley md 2nd Fannie Childress - md 3rd Sarah Garrison).

(1870 census 8th Dist., Laurel Hill post office, DeKalb Co., TN: Dwl: 6 - George W. Medley is head of household, 37 yrs. old, TN md to Amanda, 35 yrs. old, TN. Children: James S. 16 yrs. old; Pickney, 15 yrs. old; William R., 12 yrs. old; Napoleon B., 10 yrs. old; George W., 7 yrs. old; Alvin, 5 yrs. old; John A. 3 yrs. old & Octavo F., 1 yr. old. All born in TN. Also living in the household are: Nancy Knight, domestic servant, 14 yrs. old, TN; Charles Snyder, lumber dealer, 26 yrs. old, IN, Annie Snyder, 19 yrs. old, TN & John F. Snyder, 11/12 yrs. old, TN).

Census Place: 1880 District 8, DeKalb Co., Tennessee

Source: FHL Film 1255252 National Archives Film T9-1252 Page 176D  
Dwl: 31 Family: 32

	Relation	Sex	Marr	Race	Age	Birthplace
<b>G. W. MEDLEY</b>	Self	M	M	W	52	TN
	Occ:	Farming	Fa: VA	Mo: VA	<i>(George Washington "Goot" Medley)</i>	
<b>Amanda MEDLEY</b>	Wife	F	M	W	45	TN
	Occ:	Keeps House	Fa: TN	Mo: TN	<i>(Amanda D. Smith)</i>	
George MEDLEY	Son	M	S	W	16	TN
	Occ:	Farm Labor	Fa: TN	Mo: TN	<i>(George Washington Medley (1862-1912) md 1st Mattie Crowell md 2nd Catherine Jones Burton)</i>	
Alvin MEDLEY	Son	M	S	W	15	TN
	Occ:	Farm Labor	Fa: TN	Mo: TN	<i>(Alvin C. Medley (1863-1919) md 1st Laura Belle Lafever - md 2nd Katie Novella Jones - md 3rd Gertrude Howell)</i>	
John MEDLEY	Son	M	S	W	13	TN
	Occ:	Farm Labor	Fa: TN	Mo: TN	<i>(John Alexander Medley (1866-1916) md 1st Sudie William - md 2nd Judith Frances Anderson)</i>	
Octava F. MEDLEY	Dau	F	S	W	11	TN
			Fa: TN	Mo: TN	<i>(Octava Florence "Tavie" Medley (1869-1957) md James Barlow Lafever)</i>	
Laverna MEDLEY	Dau	F	S	W	5	TN
	Occ:	At Home	Fa: TN	Mo: TN	<i>(Melvina "Vina" Medley (1875-1938) md Alfred Washington Tilley)</i>	
Columbus MEDLEY	Son	M	S	W	2	TN
			Fa: TN	Mo: TN	<i>(Christopher Columbus Medley (1878-1961) md 1st Minnie Garner - md 2nd Pearly Cypert)</i>	

Census Place: 1880 District 1, Putnam Co., Tennessee

Source: FHL Film 1255275 National Archives Film T9-1275 Page 88D  
Dwl: 203 Family: 203

	Relation	Sex	Marr	Race	Age	Birthplace
<b>W. R. MEDLEY</b>	Self	M	M	W	23	TN
	Occ:	Farmer	Fa: TN	Mo: TN		
<b>M.E. MEDLEY</b>	Wife	F	M	W	19	TN
	Occ:	Keeping House	Fa: TN	Mo: TN		

(Source: Tennessee State Marriage record, Putnam Co., TN, pg. 491 – W. R. Medley married 8 November 1894, Putnam Co., TN to S. J. Pedigo).

(1900 census 11th Civil Dist., Putnam Co., TN: Dwl: 10 - William Riley Medley, is head of household, 42 yrs. old, b. December 1857, TN md 3 yrs. to Ada "Ader" McCulley, 23 yrs. old, b. October 1876; TN, 1 child born, 1 child living. Children in household: Zina A., son, 19 yrs. old, b. July 1880; Haritte, 15 yrs. old, b. July 1884; Earnest, 14 yrs. old, b. November 1885; Elsie Marion, 13 yrs. old, b. 13 March 1888 (census states 13 March 1887); Babe, son, 10 yrs. old, b. November 1889 & Eskel E. "Dock" Medley, 2 yrs. old, b. 23 January 1898 md Buena Vista Denny, b. 26 April 1902. All born in TN).

(Eskel E. "Dock" Medley, s/o William Riley Medley & his 3rd wife, Ada "Ader" McCulley. Eskel E. "Dock" Medley & Buena Vista Denny, d/o John Rankin Denny & Ada Scruggs).

(1900 census 12th Civil Dist., Putnam Co., TN: Dwl: 9 - Columbus Medley is head of household, 21 yrs. old, b. January 1878, TN, widow. Living in the household: Willey H. Medley, son, 2 yrs. old, TN. George W. Medley, father, 63 yrs. old, b. November 1836, TN, widow. Matilda C. Sybert, 43 yrs. old, b. November 1856, TN, widow & Pearlie Sybert, 12 yrs. old, b. March 1888, TN. Alfred M. Jones, brother-in-law, 25 yrs. old, b. February 1874, TN md 2 yrs. to Lula M. Jones, sister, 21 yrs. old, b. Mary 1879, TN)

**CHILDREN:** of Clarence "Babe" Medley & Ida Geneverett (Carr) Medley Butler Kirkham are: Willard Carr Medley, b. 11 September 1912, nr. Buffalo Valley, Putnam Co., TN - d. 28 January 1980 md Merlie Mae Cramer; Nellie Fern Medley, b. 19 May 1914, nr. Buffalo Valley, Putnam Co., TN md Monrie Pearson & Winnie Elizabeth Medley, b. 26 October 1916, nr. Buffalo Valley, Putnam Co., TN md Russell Jackson Pass).

(William R. Medley's 3rd wife was Ada "Ader" McCulley. Clarence "Babe" Medley md Ida Kirkham; Eugene Eschol "Dock" Medley md Beuna Vista Denny; Verta May Medley md Lloyd Denny; Mable Ruth Medley md Thurman D. Alcorn).

(1910 census 11th Civil Dist., Putnam Co., TN: Dwl: 175 - William R. Medley is head of household, 52 yrs. old, TN md 14 yrs. to Ada, 34 yrs. old, TN, 4 children born, 4 children living. Children: Elsa, 22 yrs. old; Babe, 20 yrs. old; Eschol E., 12 yrs. old; Verte M. 9 yrs. old; Cyril H., 6 yrs. old; Mable R. Medley, 4 yrs. old & grandson Arnold Medley, 2 yrs. old. All born in TN)

(DC#6256, 9th Civil Dist., Putnam Co., TN: Cyril Harold Medley, b. 12 December 1903, TN - d. 17 March 17 March 1956, age 52. Residence: Buffalo Valley, Putnam Co., TN on a farm. Occupation: Farmer. Cause of Death: possible cerebral hemorrhage. No physician in attendance, reviewed by J. Fred Terry, M. D., Cookeville, TN. Father: William R. Medley. Mother: Ada McCulley. Informant: E. E. Medley, Old Hickory, TN. Undertaker: Hooper & Huddleston Funeral Home. Register: Elise B. Dyer. Burial: Medley Graveyard located across the Lloyd Denny place, Putnam Co., TN).

(1920 census 11th Civil Dist., Putnam Co., TN: Dwl: 24 - William R. Medley is head of household, 62 yrs. old, TN (21 yrs. old 1st marriage) md to Ada, 42 yrs. old, TN (20 yrs. old 1st marriage). Children: Eschol E., 21 yrs. old; Verta Mai, 17 yrs. old; Cyril, 16 yrs. old & Mabel Ruth Medley, 14 yrs. old. All born in TN).

(1930 census 11th Civil Dist., Putnam Co., TN: Dwl: 161 - William R. Medley is head of household, 72 yrs. old, TN, ( 21 yrs. old 1st marriage) md to Ada McCulley, 53 yrs. old, TN (20 yrs. old 1st marriage).

(1930 census 11th Civil Dist., Putnam Co., TN: Dwl: 162 - Eschol E. Medley is head of household, 32 yrs. old, TN (23 yr. old 1st marriage) md to Buena Vista Denny, 27 yrs. old, TN (19 yrs. old 1st marriage). Child: William "Bill" Rankin Medley, 6 yrs. old, TN).

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#### **MEDLEY-GARNER GRAVEYARD**

Located in the Ernest & Zelma Jones place in Silver Point, TN  
Both marked only with fieldstones. Information furnished by  
Ernest and Zelma Jones & Frank Medley

#### **Minnie Garner MEDLEY**

b. after 1800 – d. ca. January 1899, w/o Columbus Medley, s/o **George Washington "Goot" Medley** (1826-1916) & **Amanda D. Smith**.

#### **Infant MEDLEY**

b. ca. January 1899, d/o **Minnie (Garner) Medley & Columbus Medley**.

With much regret and sorrow we announce the death of Mrs. Minnie Medley which occurred at her home in Silver Point last Tuesday morning. She was a bright intelligent young woman being only 19 years of age yet a wife and fond mother. She had been an humble, devout Christina from childhood and consistent member of the Methodist Church.

She was the daughter of Lewis James Garner, former clerk of the Circuit Court, a niece of Walton Smith and near relative to the publisher of the Press. She had many lovable traits, which drew around her a large circle of friends who constantly waited at her bedside. To these dear friends and relatives it seems hard to be torn from her so early, but they must and do know that she is now with an angel mother, who was taken away when she was yet a child, and happy in the smiles and of Him who suffered for us all, Peace to her ashes.

Press, TN: Thursday, 5 April 1900, front page.

**James Sidney "Sid" Medley Obt.**

b. 16 December 1853 – d. 16 June 1943 md **Mary Elizabeth (Isbell) Medley**, b. 22 November 1852, TN – d. 16 March 1930, d/o **James Isbell & Melvina Mitchell**. James Sidney Medley, s/o **George Washington "Goot" Medley** (1826-1916) & **Amanda D. Smith**, d/o **Thomas J. Smith & Matilda Puckett**. George Washington "Goot" Medley md 2nd Fannie Childress - md 3rd Sarah Garrison).

\*See Mary Elizabeth (Isbell) Medley Obt.

Funeral services were held Saturday afternoon at the house of J. J. Bradford, 103 Franklin Street, for James Sidney Medley, age 89, who had been ill for only a few weeks. He was a member of the First Baptist Church of Cookeville.

Survivors are three sons, Jim Medley of Silver Point; Bob Medley, Nashville, and Fate Medley, Nashville; two daughters, Daisy Vaughn and Mrs. J. J. Bradford, both of Cookeville; two brothers, Bill Medley and Columbus Medley of Silver Point; one sister, Mrs. Lovie Lafever, of Silver Point, and a number of grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Putnam County Herald, Cookeville, TN: Thursday, 24 June 1943.

Census Place:1880 District 8, De Kalb Co., Tennessee

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Dwl: 30

	Relation	Sex	Marr	Race	Age	Birthplace
<b>J. C. MEDLEY</b>	Self	M	M	M	26	TN
	Occ:	Farming	Fa: TN	Mo: TN		
<b>Mary E. MEDLEY</b>	Wife	F	M	W	27	TN
	Occ:	Keeps House	Fa: TN	Mo: TN		
<b>Amanda MEDLEY</b>	Dau	F	S	W	4	TN
	Occ:	At Home	Fa: TN	Mo: TN		
<b>James W. MEDLEY</b>	Son	M	S	W	3	TN
			Fa: TN	Mo: TN		
<b>Maud MEDLEY</b>	Dau	F	S	W	5M	TN
			Fa: TN	Mo: TN		

Census Place:1880 District 8, De Kalb Co., Tennessee

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Dwl: 31

	Relation	Sex	Marr	Race	Age	Birthplace
<b>G. W. MEDLEY</b>	Self	M	M	W	52	TN
	Occ:	Farming	Fa: VA	Mo: VA		
<b>Amanda MEDLEY</b>	Wife	F	M	W	45	TN
	Occ:	Keeps House	Fa: TN	Mo: TN		

George MEDLEY	Son	M	S	W	16	TN
	Occ:	Farm Labor	Fa: TN	Mo: TN		
Alvin MEDLEY	Son	M	S	W	15	TN
	Occ:	Farm Labor	Fa: TN	Mo: TN		
John MEDLEY	Son	M	S	W	13	TN
	Occ:	Farm Labor	Fa: TN	Mo: TN		
Octava F. MEDLEY	Dau	F	S	W	11	TN
			Fa: TN	Mo: TN		
Laverna MEDLEY	Dau	F	S	W	5	TN
	Occ:	At Home	Fa: TN	Mo: TN		
Collumbus MEDLEY	Son	M	S	W	2	TN
			Fa: TN	Mo: TN		