

JONATHAN "JOHN" L. ENSOR OBT.

b. 6 December 1847, Jackson Co., TN

d. 7 March 1930, Putnam Co., TN

Father: Capt. William Asbury Ensor (1825-1901)

Mother: Naomi Florilla Huddleston (1827-1901)

John L. Ensor Answers Summon:

J. L. Ensor, 82, highly respected farmer and citizen of the Sixteenth District, died at his home near Baxter Friday after having been in failing health for several months.

Funeral services were conducted at the home by Rev. J. A. Harris Saturday afternoon after which his remains were laid to rest in the Allison cemetery where the Masons had charge of the service.

Besides his wife he is survived by seven boys, Rev. D. A. Ensor of Cookeville, Rev. S. M. of Springfield, Rev. J. O. of Murray, KY, S. W. of Detroit and R. L., Charlie and J. B. of Baxter and seven daughters, Mrs. V. C. Allison, of Cookeville, Mrs. R. B. Gentry of Lawton, OK, Mrs. O. P. Gentry of Smyrna, TN, Mrs. Oliver Maxwell, Mrs. Birch Gentry, Misses Ida and Martha Ensor all of Baxter, also sixty-two grandchildren, fifty-nine great grandchildren and three great great grandchildren.

Mr. Ensor served from 1894 to 1898 as County Court Clerk of this county.

He was converted and joined the Methodist church at the age of 17, and devoted his long active life to the service of his Master, often conducting funerals and performing other church work in the absence of a minister. He was the father of three well-known Methodist preachers, D. A., S. M., and J. O. Ensor. One grandson and son-in-law are also preachers.

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Jonathan Lasley Ensor and three of his children.

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This is a picture of Jonathan Lasley Ensor age 48.

Jonathan L. Ensor & his 3rd wife Rhoda Almeda Bryant and their children, Mary Florilla Ensor born October 20, 1888, Samuel Wirt Ensor born February 29, 1892, and the twins Bertie Ensor and Gertie Ensor born January 29, 1895. From the age of the twins I think this picture was taken about 1895. Jonathan would have been about 48 years old. These are the youngest of his 13 children at the time of the picture. After this picture was taken he and Almeda continued to have five more children, giving Simon Monroe Ensor 3 brothers, 3 sisters and 6 half brothers, 5 half sisters.

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