

DEATH CLAIMS NISSAR ASHEAR

Father of Jos. and Mitchel
Ashear; Native of
Syria

Nissar Ashear, 76, died at the home of his son, Joe Ashear, Saturday morning about 8 o'clock from a sudden heart attack. Although he had been in ill health for about three months, his death was very sudden and unexpected.

Funeral services were held at the First Baptist church Wednesday afternoon at 3 o'clock with the Rev. Eugene R. Eller, assisted by the Rev. O. P. Ader, pastor of the Methodist church, the Rev. J. A. Flanagan, pastor of the Presbyterian church, and the Rev. N. C. Duncan, pastor of the Episcopal church.

Prior to the services at the church a ~~short~~ Syrian service was held at the home by Father Paul Rask, of Atlanta, Ga.

Mr. Ashear arrived in America Dec. 22, 1922, from Lebanon, Syria, and since then had made his home with his son, Joseph Ashear, prominent Franklin merchant. He was a member of the Catholic church in Syria and was always a faithful Christian.

Those surviving are his four sons, Joseph and Mitchel Ashear, of Franklin; George Ashear, of Los Angeles, Calif.; Elias Ashear, Cairo, Egypt, and three daughters, Mrs. S. Gorra, Mrs. Charles Ashear, of Pittsburg, Pa., and Miss Martha Ashear, of Franklin.

Pall bearers were: Messrs John M. Moore, Alex Moore, John H. Thomas, R. M. Coffey, C. S. Tiley and Wade Arvey.

The out-of-town relatives and friends here to attend the funeral included Messrs C. G. Najour, Nick Najour, Joe Maloof, Clife Maloof, Mack Maloof, Misk Maloof, J. A. Azar, Paul Rask, and A. J. Simon, of Atlanta, Ga.; Mr. and Mrs. A. S. Nijjar, of Carrolton, Ga., Mr. Phillip Nijjar, of Marietta, Ga., Mr. Solomen Maloof, of Bryson City, and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Maloof, of Helen, Ga.