

## Rev. Gordie Conley

The Rev. Gordie Leander Conley, 86, of the Oak Grove Community, died on Monday, November 29, in a local hospital following a long illness.

He was a son of the late George and Callie Poindexter Conley and was married to Mattie Deal Conley.

Rev. Conley was a retired minister and farmer and was Pastor of Fort Emory Baptist Church at Hayesville for 33 years. He was a charter member of Piney Grove Baptist Church and had served as deacon there.

The Rev. Conley was a member of Mt. Eagle Masonic Lodge #359 and was treasurer of the Waynesville Baptist Association for 26 years. He was a field missionary for 14 years.

The funeral was held 2 p.m. Saturday, December 4, at Piney Grove Baptist Church. The officiating ministers were the Rev. J. H. Smith, the Rev. Harvey Kincaid, and the Rev. W. E. Samuel. Burial was in Pleasant Grove Cemetery.

Members of Masonic Lodge #359 were pallbearers.

Surviving in addition to the widow are one foster son, Archie L. Deal of Girard, Ohio; one daughter, Mrs. Sophia Love of Winston-Salem; one brother, Ervin Conley of Detroit, Mich.; two sisters, Mrs. Bell Moore of Franklin and Mrs. Maggie Burgess of Opa-locka, Fla.; and one step-sister, Mrs. Mary Burston of Franklin.

Bryant Funeral Home was in charge of the arrangements.