

MACON PIONEER DIED WEDNESDAY

**E. H. Franks Passes to
Great Beyond — Was a
Prominent Citizen and
Took Leading Part in
Community Activities.**

E. H. Franks, 82, one of Franklin's most respected and most highly honored citizens, passed to his reward at his home here early this morning. The deceased had been in bad health for a number of months, and while his death was not unexpected, still it came as a shock to hundreds of friends and admirers.

Born in Macon county 82 years ago at Holly Springs, he had been a resident of the county since that time. He was married twice, the first time to Miss Ruth Wilson of Glennville and the second time to Miss Eleanor Rich, of Waynesville. To the first union were born three children none of whom survive. Six children survive the second union. They are: Miss Minnie A. Powers of Miami, Mrs. Mack Higdon of Conroy, Alberta, Canada, Mrs. George Murray of Whitla, Alberta, Canada, S. L. Franks, postmaster at Franklin, J. D. and Mack Franks, both of Franklin. Sixteen grandchildren and four great-grandchildren also survive. The deceased also has two living sisters in Macon county, Mrs. J. S. Henry of Holly Springs and Mrs. P. C. Wild of Burningtown.

For 70 years the late Mr. Franks was a member of the Baptist church and for fifty years was a deacon. He was also church trustee for forty years, having been the chief mover in building the local Baptist church and also another that was burned some years ago at Franklin. The deceased was U. S. Commissioner for 24 years, land entry taker for 40 years, a leading merchant of Franklin for 45 years and a director of the Bank of Franklin since its organization. He was also chairman of the county board of commissioners for a number of years.

The remains will be interred with Masonic honors at the local cemetery Thursday at 3 o'clock in the afternoon. Dr. W. M. Lee, pastor of the local Baptist church, will preach the funeral oration.