## PROMINENT FARMER AND CIVIC LEADER DIES

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Harvey Allison, 82, stock raiser, farmer and civic leader, died last Friday morning in a hospital in Tucson, Ariz. Of a heart ailment. Allison had gone to Arizona about ten days before for the winter. He became ill on Wednesday and Mrs. Allison flew out to him Thursday morning, reaching there Thursday evening.

Funeral services were conducted at 2:30 p.m. from the Methodist church with Rev. C. E. Johnston officiating. Burial was in GAR cemetery with Morehouse Funeral Service in charge. The body arrived in Homer at noon Sunday and was taken to the Morehouse Funeral home until Monday afternoon.

Born Jan. 16, 1870, on a farm in Sidell Township nine miles southwest of Homer, he was the son of James A. and Willmoth Allison. He moved to the farm in Homer in Feb. 1889 with his parents, and has lived there since, with the exception of one year in the hotel business and two years in the gold fields of Alaska.

He was married to Alta L. Russell of Homer in Feb. 1915. He bought and shipped livestock for 35 years in partnership with the late W.J. Stevens.

He helped organize Homer High School and was a member of the board for 25 years, most of which he was president. His son, James, is president of the present board.

He saw the first telephone installed in Homer in the E. T. Mudge Drug Store where the Grab-It-Here now stands.

Surviving are the widow; a son, James Harvey Allison, and one grandson, Victor Van. One sister died in 1894.

Pall bearers at the service were Harry Winston, Kemp Catlett, Russell Shoaf, Wayne Brewer, John Darr and John Morrison.

## **OUR "OLD TIMERS"**

Our old timers are leaving us, one by one,
All plans have been completed, and their work on earth is done.
They seem to hear their buddies calling to them, up there side by side
To come along and join them, over across the Great Divide.
Yes, we will miss those old timers, more and more each day.
We need them as our leaders, to show us the way
To live a better life, and to meet our problems when they come,
But the old timers are leaving us—one by one.
Composed by a friend and dedicated to Harvey Allison

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Harvey Allison, 82, life-long resident of Homer and one of the organizers of homer high

school, died at 6:30 p.m. Friday in St. Mary's hospital, Tucson, Ariz., of a heart ailment. Mr. Allison had been in Arizona two weeks and in the hospital since Tuesday. His wife, Mrs. Alta Allison, who had flown to Tucson Thursday, was with her husband when he died.

The body will arrive at Homer at 12:43 p.m. Sunday and will be removed to the Morehouse funeral home. Funeral services will be at 2:30 p.m. Monday in the Homer Methodist church, Rev. C. E. Johnson officiating. Burial will be in the G.A.R. cemetery, Homer.

Pallbearers include Harry Winston, Sidney; Kemp Catlett, Russell Shoaf, Wayne Brewer, Donald Darr and Donald Morrison, all of Homer.

Mr. Allison was born Jan. 16, 1870, on a farm in Sidell township, a son of James and Willmoth Allison, and moved with his parents to Homer in 1889. He had lived on a farm there ever since, with the exception of three years when he entered the hotel business in Homer and prospected for gold in Alaska. He married Alta L. Russell in Homer in 1915.

For 35 years, the Homer resident bought and sold livestock in partnership with W. J. Stevens. Mr. Allison helped organize the Homer high school and was a member of the board of education for 25 years.

He leaves his widow; a son, James of Homer, and a grandson.

