

Biographical Sketch by children

Fermin C. Andrews, son of George and Margaret Andrews, was born March 1, 1846, in Henry county, Indiana, and died Jan. 10, 1925, aged 78 years, 10 months, and 8 days.

At an early age he moved to Jay County, Indiana where he spent his boyhood days with his parents, on the farm, one mile north of Salamonina, now known as the Hinkle farm. There with his two older brothers he worked and helped his mother, who was left a widow when the family was young.

In 1861, the two older brothers enlisted in the Union army and at the age of sixteen he enlisted with the 81st "Ohio Volunteers" where he served until the close of the war. During the war he was under the command of General Sherman and was on the celebrated "March to the Sea."

After the war he returned home taking up the work of helping his mother with the farm.

Some few years ago he, with his brother William and Allen, visited many of the old battlefields of the South.

On September 19, 1869, he was married to Nancy L. Harter, and to this union were born two children, Evie, wife of George Bailey and Joseph E. both of Salamonina. The young wife and mother died in February, 1873.

He then took up the practice of law. In the year 1881, he was married to Clara A. Reed, of Union City, Indiana, and two children were born to them, Louise, wife of Miles Davis and Gladys, wife of Harold Hanlin, both of Pennvil, Indiana. This union was severed by the death of the wife in February, 1921.

He was again happily married in his old age, to Mrs. Anna Stevens, of Covington, Kentucky, who died October 27, 1924.

He leaves to mourn, two sisters, Mrs. Catherine Harter, of Salamonina, and Mrs. B.F. Clark, of Pierce City, Mo. and one brother Allen Andrews of Hamilton, Ohio, eleven grand children, five step children, and a host of other relatives and friends.

He was a Christian man, having united with the Church of Christ, at Salamonina, in the year 1870.

CARD OF THANKS

We the children, desire to thank our many friends who so kindly assisted us during the sickness and death of our father. --Evie, Joe, Louise, and Gladys.

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