

CAPT. WM. F. LEE HAS PASSED AWAY

Well Known Citizen Passed to the
Great Beyond at 10:50
Last Night.

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FOR SEVERAL DAYS—DECEASED
WAS FORMERLY POSTMASTER
HERE—SKETCH OF HIS LIFE.

Captain William Franklin Lee, for many years an honored and highly esteemed citizen of Pensacola, passed away at 10:50 o'clock last night at his home on East Gregory street after an illness covering a period of several weeks. He had reached the age of 75 years.

His death was not unexpected, as for several days all hopes of his recovery had been given up, and he continued to sink until last night when the end arrived. The deceased served during his residence in Pensacola as postmaster, county surveyor and city engineer, holding the latter position at the time of his death.

In the death of Captain Lee Pensacola loses one of her oldest and best citizens. Descended from the Lees of revolutionary fame, he exhibited in his whole life those fine characteristics which have always distinguished the Lees of Virginia and the collateral branch in South Carolina. Capt. Lee was the son of Col. Stephen Lee for many years professor of mathematics in the College of Charleston, S. C.

Col. Lee on account of his health removed some years before the war to Asheville, N. C., where he established a boarding school for young men, a school that second to none in the South, and his son, Captain Lee came to Pensacola as a civil engineer in 1856. At the breaking out of the war he was among the first to enlist, being lieutenant in the company raised by the late Governor Perry. He served during the entire war with bravery and devotion, leaving an arm in the soil of Virginia as an evidence of his patriotism.

Captain Lee was married in 1858 in Tuskegee, Ala., to Miss Susan Lloyd, daughter of an English scholar, who had been a successful teacher here for some years and a devoted churchman. Mrs. Lee died not quite two years ago. Three grown children survive, two sons and one daughter, to mourn the loss of an affectionate and devoted father.

Captain Lee was a Mason of high standing and a Confederate of strong convictions.

His cousin, General S. D. Lee, is now commander of the veterans of the Confederacy throughout the South.

The funeral cortege will move from the family residence this afternoon at 2:30 o'clock to Christ Church, where the services will be conducted. The interment will be in St. John's cemetery.