

## SAD DEATH OF DR. SYLVESTER WEEKS

Former Methodist Pastor Passes Away  
at Family Home Following  
Short Illness.

The deepest sympathy in their bereavement goes out to the wife and son of Dr. Sylvester Weeks, whose death yesterday morning at four o'clock cast a gloom over many homes of the city, where his cheery presence was known, and the influence of his consecrated life had been extended.

Death came quietly, after only a few days of illness, at the family home on Cervantes street, and all day yesterday sorrowing friends, many of whom had often been sustained and aided by his splendid sermons, thronged the home, to extend their condolences to his bereaved ones.

Dr. Weeks was eighty-five years of age, his long and consecrated life having been crowned with the love of many friends of both races, for he had been most generous in the aid he had extended to the colored race, while making his home in Pensacola.

Dr. Weeks was born in Cincinnati, Ohio, and was a member of the Cincinnati conference. He retired from the ministry a number of years ago, but during the score of years that he had made his home in Pensacola, he had identified himself with the work of the church, and his services were in demand at all times, and always the response was kindly and immediate.

A nature full of cheer and friendliness, a mind well stored not only with theology, but with the best of literature, and a consecration to the service of the Master that never wavered, he ministered without stint, even after his active service in the church had ceased, and in his ministry he carried a message of help to many.

The funeral services will take place from the Methodist church Saturday morning at ten o'clock, among those who will attend being the Pensacola Lodge No. 42 Knights Templar, of which he was a member, for Dr. Weeks was a Mason of the 32nd degree.

The pall-bearers will be James Pace, J. A. Avant, W. C. Mackey, N. C. McMillan, E. C. Dudley Saunders and Thomas V. Hannah.

Dr. Weeks is survived by his wife and son, Mr. Bruce Weeks.