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## W. J. McFARLAND OF CLARK'S FORK DEAD

Was One of County's Most Widely Known Farmers and Stockmen

William J. McFarland, one of Cooper County's best known farmers and stockman, passed away at his home near Clark's Fork early Friday morning following a critical illness of several months duration.

Mr. McFarland was born in Clarks Fork township September 9, 1863, the son of A. W. and Mary Catherine McFarland. He spent his boyhood days on the home farm and received his education in the public schools of the county. He had been a farmer and stockman all his life and his farm in Clark's Fork township is one of the best and most modern farms in that section of the county.

The deceased was married to Miss Mollie Eller, a daughter of Davis and Martha Eller, of Boonville township November 2, 1884, who survives him. Four children also survive the father: Wilbur J., Mrs. William Mersey, Mrs. Wilbur Farris, and Mrs. Gordon Mitchell. Mr. McFarland was a member of the Modern Woodmen of America at Boonville and was an active and worthy member of the Presbyterian Church at Bethel. He was a public-spirited citizen and took an active interest in all matters pertaining to the public welfare and the advancement of the community.

Funeral services, attended by a large crowd from all parts of the county, were held from the Bethel Presbyterian Church on Sunday morning at 11:00 o'clock. Services were conducted by the Rev. Rewster of King City, Mo. Burial was made in Walnut Grove Cemetery in Boonville.

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