

NORMAN J. GRIESBACH

Mr. Norman J. Griesbach, age 80, of 907 Whitlow, Boonville, died at Rest Haven Nursing Home Saturday after a lengthy illness. Funeral services will be held at 3:00 p.m. Tuesday at the William Wood Funeral Chapel. The Rev. Charles Childers will officiate with burial in Walnut Grove Cemetery. Friends may call at the William Wood Funeral Home from 3:00 p.m. Monday until service time. The family will receive friends from 7 to 8:30 p.m. Monday at the funeral home.

Mr. Griesbach was born in Jamestown, November 29, 1901, the son of Henry and Sarah Houck Griesbach. He was married to the former Minnie Ann Grissum, May 29, 1928, in Jefferson City. She survives. He had lived here most of his life. He had been employed as an automobile and machinery salesman with J.J. Maddex Co. and Prigmore Chevrolet until retiring.

He was a member of the First Baptist Church.

Surviving in addition to his wife are a daughter, Mrs. Helen Graf of Charlotte, North Carolina, and three grandchildren, Douglas and Daniel Hopper and Daryl Graf, all of Charlotte, N. Car. Four brothers and a sister preceded him in death.

The family suggests memorials to the Heart Fund.

THOMAS BOONE SMITH

Mr. Thomas Boone Smith, age 80, of Boonville, died at Cooper County Hospital, Saturday afternoon. Funeral services will be held at 3:00 p.m. Tuesday at the William Wood Funeral Chapel. The Rev. Clifton Kerr will officiate, with burial in Walnut Grove Cemetery. Friends may call at the funeral home after 3:00 p.m. Monday until time of service.

Mr. Thomas was born in Wheeling, W. Va., Aug. 28, 1901, the son of Thomas A. and Mabel Boone Smith. He had lived in Ohio, Washington, D.C. and Oklahoma in his youth, and in 1915 he moved to Boonville to make his home with his aunt, the late Hattie Boone, south of Boonville. He was a farmer and dairyman, retiring in 1977.

He was a member of the Presbyterian Church.

He is survived by four cousins, Helen Boone, Albert Boone, Joseph Boone and William Boone.

BEN N. SMITH SR.

Mr. Ben N. Smith Sr., age 91, passed away Saturday morning at the Ashley Manor Nursing Home. Funeral services will be conducted at 10:00 a.m. Tuesday at the Nelson Memorial Methodist Church with the Rev. John Pfister officiating. Interment will be in Walnut Grove Cemetery. Friends may call at the Thacher Funeral Home from noon Monday until 8:00 a.m. Tuesday and then at the church. The family will receive friends from 7-8:30 p.m. Monday at the Thacher Funeral Home. The family would appreciate memorials to the Nelson Memorial Methodist Church.

Benjamin Nicholas Smith Sr. was born March 2, 1890, in Cooper County, the son of Chris T. and Augusta Brandes Smith. He was married to Zula Smith on September 2, 1916 at St.

Louis, Mo. She preceded him in death in 1928. He was married to Mary Cordry Putnam on March 19, 1929 at Jefferson City, Mo.

In addition to his wife, he leaves one son and three daughters; Ben N. Smith Jr. of Boonville, Mrs. Robert (Margaret Ellen) Hankewich of Milwaukee, Wis., Mrs. Fred (Magenta) Oerly of Boonville, and Mrs. Lou (Jean) Van Wye of Independence, Mo. He also leaves one stepson, Arthur Putnam of Boonville, eight grandchildren, thirteen great grandchildren and two sisters, Mrs. Arthur Smith of St. Charles, Mo., and Mrs. Dewey Hedgpeth of Clarksville, Mo. Three sisters preceded him in death.

Mr. Smith was active in business and community affairs in Boonville and Cooper County his entire life. During his early life he farmed near Bunceton and was an auctioneer for many years. He moved to Boonville in 1930. In 1932 he managed farms for the Kemper State Bank and established the Ben N. Smith Insurance Agency which he operated until his retirement in 1961. He also established the Boonville Abstract Company, during which time he was an active realtor.

Mr. Smith was a member of the Nelson Memorial Methodist Church, the I.O.O.F. Lodge, the Masonic Lodge, where he was a past Master, the Ararat Shrine, and was a past president and life member of the Boonville Rod & Gun Club.

Mr. Smith was an early leader in soil and water conservation, having had the first Cooper County Soil and Crops Conference at his farm near Bunceton in 1929. He was a past president and member of the Board of Directors of the Conservation Federation of Missouri and had received the Master Conservationist Award.

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