

## **MRS. DAISY CURTIS EDWARDS**

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Former Nogalian Dies On Coast

Mrs. Daisy Curtis Edwards, about 63, former Nogalian, died in Los Angeles Saturday. Funeral services and interment took place in the coast city Tuesday.

Mrs. Edwards was the sister of the late Bracey Curtis, Nogales banker, who died here in January 1931. She is survived by one son, residing in Los angeles, and two sisters in the East.

## **M. L. ENGLISH**

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International, Nogales AZ, October 12, 1925. Page 11

PIONEER DROPS DEAD AT SONOITA

M. L. English, pioneer, dropped dead in the Sonoita valley Monday afternoon, a victim of a stroke of apoplexy. He was about 70 years of age and one of the oldest ranchers in the Sonoita district, having homesteaded a place years ago adjoining the R. C. Larimore ranch. Recently he had been living at the G. P. Woodward place at Sonoita. English had been a sufferer from paralysis since a stroke about two years ago. Prior to locating in Arizona he resided at Rush Hill, Mo.

## **JOHN FARLEY**

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Nogales International, Nogales AZ, January 12, 1945. Page 11

Death Claims John Farley, Pioneer Miner

Last rites were held in Patagonia at 4 o'clock yesterday afternoons for John J. Farley, 72, pioneer mining man, who died at 3 a.m. Tuesday at his home in Patagonia following a long illness

Death was attributed to silicosis and heart trouble.

Interment was in the Patagonia cemetery next to the grave of a daughter who died shortly after Mr. Farley and family came to the Patagonia district in 1918.

Mr. Farley was born in Wrightstown, Wis., and is survived by his widow (Katherine Farley), two daughters, Mrs. Rose Scogins, Patagonia; Mrs. Virgil Walker, Nogales; and two sons, Superior Court Judge Gordon Farley and Vincent Farley, desk man at the local police station.

# **RICHARD FARRELL**

Contributed by Jean Walker, April 17, 2024

## **RICHARD FARRELL, PIONEERS (sic) OF WEST, CALLED BY DEATH**

Richard Farrell, 81, pioneer citizen of Southern Arizona, and a resident of this section since 1886, died at his home in Harshaw this morning at 6:30, says last Saturday's Nogales Herald. Death is attributed to infirmities of old age.

The deceased was one of the real pioneers of the borderland. He was born in Ireland and came to America when a young man. He followed the advice of Horace Greeley and went West to seek his fortune and lived for several years in San Francisco.

He was in Nevada during the mining boom in that state and settled in Virginia City. Later he came to Arizona and located in Tombstone in the boom days of that city. He also resided at Charleston, ghost city located near Tombstone.

In 1886 Farrell heard of the mineral zone of the Harshaw region and built a home in that section where he has lived ever since. He was a colorful character and saw the West during the mining boom days.

He served a term as a member of the Santa Cruz county board of supervisors and also represented this count in the State legislature.

He was recognized as one of the staunch citizens of the community and was of the pioneer stock which built the West. He has protected his family in early days against the onslaughts of Indian attacks and was a leading citizen in the community in which he resided.

A widow, Mrs. Ellen Farrell, 72, and eight children remain to mourn their loss. The children are: John Farrell, Tucson; Richard, Jr., Douglas; William and Thomas, Harshaw; Mrs. Mike Hogan, Harshaw; Mrs. Nell Overlock, Douglas; Mrs. May Dusenberry, Columbus, Ohio, and Mrs. Frank B. Carroon of Nogales.

Funeral arrangements have not yet been made but services will likely be held Monday. Burial will be made in the Patagonia cemetery.

The death of Richard Farrell marks the passing of another pioneer of the West. With him goes the glamour and romance of the golden days of the mining camp booms.

## **DON FRANKLIN**

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Nogales International, Nogales, AZ December 2, 1927. Page 1

### **Don Franklin Is Called By Death**

Don Franklin, one of the best known pioneers of this city, died at 10 o'clock Tuesday morning at the home of his brother, O. K. Franklin 134 Terrace avenue.

He had been ill for some time but his condition did not become serious until a few days before death. On Sunday night he suffered a stroke of paralysis.

Mr. Franklin would have been 63 years old on December 15. He resided in Nogales about 20 years and in the olden days was manager of the Montezuma Hotel. A short time ago he disposed of his business interests in Nogales, Sonora.

He will long be remembered by his many friends as a man who did much charitable work among the poor, especially among little children of both Nogales, Arizona, and Nogales, Sonora, whose parents were unable to buy them the necessities of life.

Mr. Franklin was a member of the Nogales Lodge of Elks. Funeral services were held at 4 o'clock Wednesday afternoon at the Carroon Mortuary at which time there was a joint Elk-Methodist service.

## **L. R. GAMBEE**

Contributed by Jean Walker April 18, 2024

Nogales International, Nogales, AZ August 19, 1939. Page 2

### **L.R. Gambee Called By Death**

Death yesterday afternoon claimed a well known Nogales pioneer when L. R. Gambee, about 64, died in White House Canyon where he had been living the past few years.

His death was said to have been sudden and is believed to have been due to heart trouble from which he had been a sufferer for several years. He was in Nogales on a shopping tour Saturday.

The body was brought to Nogales last evening by the Carroon Mortuary.

Mr. Gambee, former owner of the Purity Bottling Works, is survived by his widow and three daughters, Mrs. Blanche Warren of Nogales, Mrs. Flora Roberts of San Diego and Mrs. Alfred Hudgin of Tucson. The later is a daughter-in-law of Mayor Louis Hudgin.

## **CARMEN GASTELUM**

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Tucson Citizen, Tucson, AZ January 6, 1917. Page 6

### **SURVIVING TWIN DIES ON BIRTHDAY**

Twelve months ago twins were born in the house of Santiago Castelum, at 928 Tenth avenue. One died immediately. The other, Carmen Gastelum, died yesterday, upon her birthday.

The funeral was held at three o'clock today at the cathedral.

## **MRS. BETTIE C. GATLIN**

Contributed by Jean Walker, April 17, 2024

Nogales International, Nogales, AZ, May 28, 1938. Page 2

### **Last Rites For Pioneer At Patagonia**

Funeral services were held in Patagonia Thursday for Mrs. Bettie C. Gatlin, 85, widow of the late James S. Gatlin.

Mrs. Gatlin, who died at her home in Patagonia Tuesday, had been ill since shortly after the death of her husband last October

She is survived by four sons, Woodie A. Gatlin, Patagonia postmaster; Albert Gatlin, immigration officer; Harvey K. Gatlin, Sonoita cattleman; and two daughters, Mrs. W. R. Stevenson of Bisbee and Mrs. Nora Deen of New Mexico.

A resident of Patagonia since 1904, Mrs. Gatlin was one of the county's best known pioneers.

## **JAMES GATLIN**

Contributed by Jean Walker, April 17, 2024

## JAMES GATLIN DIES AT HOME

### Pioneer Rancher Recalled How He Drove Cattle On Chisholm Trail

PATAGONIA. Oct 20.-(Special)-James S. Gatlin, southern Arizona cattleman and one of the last living riders of the Chisholm trail, died at 8 o'clock tonight in his home at Patagonia.

Gatlin was eight days less than 88 years old. He had been in ill health several years.

### Born in Texas

Born in the heart of the Texas cattle country, he was at one time a Texas ranger. He had been a leading citizen of Santa Cruz county since his arrival here 33 years ago.

He leaves his wife, Betty C. Gatlin; four sons, A. A. and W. A. Gatlin of Patagonia; H. K. Gatlin of Sonoita, and J. E. Gatlin of Gila Bend, and two daughters, Mrs. Nora Deen of Capitan, N. M., and Mrs. W. R. Stevenson of Bisbee.

### Was Ranger

A Texas ranger from 1869 to 1872, Mr. Gatlin moved later to New Mexico, and in 1904 came to Santa Cruz county, where he has owned several ranches. His sons are prominent among cattlemen of the county.

Funeral services will be conducted at 2 p. m. Friday in the Patagonia community church, with the Nogales lodge of Masons in charge. Burial will be in the old cemetery here. The Carroon mortuary of Nogales has charge of arrangements.

# THEODORE GEBLER

Contributed by Jean Walker, April 17, 2024

Border Vidette, Nogales, AZ August 28, 1926. Page 3

Theodore Gebler, Pioneer Business Man of Nogales, Passed Away Thursday

Theodore Gebler, 95 years of age, pioneer Nogales business man, oldest resident of this city, died at 12:10 o'clock Thursday morning at his home, 126 Grand avenue. Death was due to old age. The body was removed to the parlors of the Parker Grimshaw Undertaking Company.

Born in Berlin, Germany, on July 1, 1831, Gebler came to Nogales in 1886, and from the time of his arrival was active in business and political circles until a few years ago.

In Berlin he attended the German military academy, and later learned the trade of a tinsmith. When he was 19 years old he came to the United States and worked at his trade in New York. After a few years in New York he went by way of the Isthmus of Panama to San Francisco, opening in that city a shop of his own on Clay street, and later added a hardware store to his line of tin goods. From San Francisco he moved to San Jose, where he continued in the hardware business until 1879.

While on a pleasure trip through Arizona he decided to locate in this state, first settling at Tucson and in 1886 moved to Nogales, building the first American house in this city. He conducted a hardware store for 28 years on the present site of the Jury Store on Grand avenue, selling out in 1914 to James Edwards. He was a member of the Nogales City Council for ten years, was one of the founders of the First National Bank of this city and at the time of his death was a director of that bank.

During his stay in New York he was married in 1851 to Louisa Walman and to this union was born five children, all of whom are now dead. Mrs. Gebler died in 1910.

While in San Francisco he was a member of the famous "Vigilante Committee," and during his residence in San Jose, became a charter member of Alameda lodge of the Odd Fellows at San Jose. He joined the Masonic Lodge at San Francisco in 1859, and was also a member of Blue Lodge No. 11, A. F. & A. M. at Nogales.

He became owner of valuable business property in Nogales, and mining property in the Patagonia district, and was one of the wealthiest men of this district. Some time ago he made a will and while most of his estate was left to two distant relatives in Germany, he remembered in his will a number of local friends.

# **MRS. MANUELA GOLDWATER**

Contributed by Jean Walker, April 17, 2024

Nogales International, Nogales, AZ May 18, 1928. Page 2

## **PIONEER NOGALES RESIDENT DIES AT AGE OF 99 YEARS**

Mrs. Manuela Goldwater, age, 99 years and 5 months, believed to be the oldest pioneer of southern Arizona, died at 3:15 o'clock Wednesday afternoon at 403 Sonoita street, Nogales where she made her home for many years with three of her grandchildren, Miss Ida Castaneda, Miss Aurelia Castaneda, Carlos Castaneda, and her grand niece, Sophie Doll.

Funeral services were held at 6:45 o'clock Thursday morning at Scared Heart Church after which the remains were taken to Benson for burial.

Mrs. Goldwater was born in the state of Sonora in 1829 - just 30 years after the death of George Washington and the year that Andrew Jackson, seventh president of the United States, was inaugurated. The year of her birth was 32 years before the outbreak of the Civil War. She spent practically all her life in the Benson and Nogales districts.

Besides the above - mentioned grandchildren, she is survived by five other grandchildren, two of whom reside in Guadalajara and Mexico City and the other three in Nogales, one of the latter being A. A. Castaneda, well known Nogales shoe merchant. She also leaves four great grandchildren. Her only child, Mrs. Amparo Castaneda died in Nogales a year ago.

## **TOM GRINDELL**

Contributed by Elizabeth Burns

Arizona Republican Newspaper, October 10, 1905

The latest reports from E.F. Grindell adds to the fears of those who believe his brother T.F. Grindell and party, for whom he went in search a few weeks ago, have perished by foul play in Sonora.

E.P. Grindell was in Nogales on Friday having just returned from Altar where with the aid of local officials he found the Papago guide who left that place with the party last June, returning later without them. The subsequent actions of the guide and his later sudden disappearance indicate that he either murdered them or knew more about their fate than he cared to tell.

When Mr. Grindell found the guide the latter told him that before he left the party they had passed the four hands mailed to stakes in the ground, that were mentioned in an earlier report and believed to have been the hands of T.F. Grindell and some member of his party. They were en route to Escalantes ranch thirty five miles from the coast and camping one night where there was no water, turned the horses loose. The horses wandered away and the next day was spent in looking for them. He then left the party and returned to Caborca. He offered to take E.P. Grindell to the place and a bargain was made but the night before Mr. Grindell was informed by a citizen of Caborea that the guide was not a safe man to trust alone, he volunteering to accompany them. When the Indian was told this man would go with them the Indian demurred at first, but later agreed providing two of his brothers be allowed to accompany them also. But when the time came for the start it was discovered the Indian guide had fled.

Mr. Grindell says he believes the story of the horses scattering and fears that while the men were separated in their search for them the guide killed them one at a time. He also believes that had he gone with the guide alone he would have met the same fate.

E.P. Grindell next went to Hermosillo and told his story to Governor Ysabel who said he would try in every way possible to apprehend the Indian guide. Mr. Grindell will be in Tucson for a time and if he fails to hear anything from the Governor he will organize another expedition to search the country in the vicinity of Escalantes Ranch.

## **ELIZABETH O'ROURKE HANNAN**

Contributed by Jean Walker April 17, 2024

Border Vidette, Nogales, AZ December 17, 1932. Page 4

## PIONEER WOMAN DIES

Funeral services for the late Elizabeth O'Rourke Hannan, 71, well known, highly respected pioneer Nogales woman, widow of the late Patrick Hannan, were held at 10 o'clock yesterday morning at the Sacred Heart Catholic church, interment being in the family plot in the Nogales cemetery by the side of her husband's body.

The beloved pioneer woman, who is survived by her two sorrowing children, James and Miss Florence Hannan, peacefully passed away at 10:05 o'clock last Wednesday night, following a long illness, during which one of her children was almost constantly at home with their mother, who never fully recovered from the shock of the death of her husband in 1929.

Mrs. Hannan was born in Athlone, county Westmeade, Ireland, and came to New York with her family. She went to Los Angeles and then came to Sonora, Mexico. On the border here she met her future husband, Patrick Hannan, and was married in this city. For several years the Hannans resided at La Colorada, Sonora, where Mr. Hannan engaged in gold mining. Later they removed to Nogales and acquired valuable business and residential property.

Kind and loving, always, Mrs. Hannan's death is mourned by her son and daughter, Jimmie and Florence, and many friends.

## **PATRICK HANNAN**

Contributed by Jean Walker, April 17, 2024

Nogales Interantioanl, Nogales, AZ January 8, 1929. Page 1

Patrick Hannan, Pioneer Of City, Dies At Home Here

Patrick Hannan, 73, widely known pioneer of Nogales and Santa Cruz county, died at 5 o'clock Saturday morning at the family residence, 335 Morley avenue, following an illness of six months, three months of which caused his confinement to bed. Funeral services were conducted at 9 o'clock yesterday morning in the Sacred Heart Church and burial was in Nogales cemetery.

Hannan's circle of friends extended into every notable mining camp in the west and Sonora where he had worked a great portion of his lifetime. Nogales had been his home since 1890 when he migrated to the west from his birthplace in Canada.

When a youth he left his Irish parents in Canada to seek his fortune in the mines of the western United States. These ventures took him to Butte, Cripple Creek and even to the great Yukon gold rust (sic). For nine years he was foreman of the Minas Prietas Mines in Sonora. Sixteen years ago he retired from active business and sold a livery stable here which he had operated for many years.

Mr. Hannan married Miss Elizabeth O'Rourke in Los Angeles 32 years ago. He was a member of the Catholic Church and a prominent figure in civic development in Nogales. One of the proudest memories of his life was his association with General Custer with whom he fought just six months before the colorful warrior was killed.

He is survived by the widow, Elizabeth Hannan, a daughter, Miss Florence Hannan of Nogales and a son, James Hannan, owner of the Hannan Rubber company on Grand avenue.

## **MRS. MINNIE BOONE HARDY**

Contributed by Jean Walker April 18, 2024

Death Takes Beloved Local Pioneer

Mrs. Charles E. Hardy Succumbs To Long Illness Here

Following a four years illness, which took a turn for the worse on New Year's day, Mrs. Minnie Boone Hardy, 71, wife of Honorable Charles E. Hardy, Justice Of The Peace of Nogales, and known to her host of friends as "Mother Hardy," died at 6:30 o'clock Sunday morning at the Hardy residence, 318 Sonoita avenue. Death was attributed to heart trouble.

Last rites for the beloved pioneer, whose death grieved the entire community, were held at the Elks Club Tuesday afternoon, with Rev. O. A. Smith of Trinity Congregational church officiating. Hundreds of floral offerings banked about the casket attested to the high esteem in which she was held by her host of friends. Burial was in Nogales Cemetery.

Beautiful Tribute

At the services at the Elks Club, Rev. Smith paid a beautiful tribute to Mrs. Hardy and said in part as follows: [Lengthy, omitted]

Pallbearers

Active pallbearers at the funeral were W. W. Barbee, C. C. Cheshire, Roy Cheshire, R. H. Bibolet, Dr. M. I. Merritt and Craig Pottinger, the latter substituting for Wirt G. Bowman who was unable to be present on account of illness.

Honorary pallbearers were [Lengthy, omitted]

#### Surviving Relatives

Besides her husband, who was collector of customs at Nogales during the two administrations of President Woodrow Wilson, Mrs. Hardy is survived by a son, Leslie C. Hardy of Phoenix, chief deputy county attorney of Maricopa county; a granddaughter, Miss Dorothy Ann Hardy of Phoenix, and grandsons, Charles L. Hardy, Leslie B. Hardy and John E. Hardy, all of Tucson. She was the mother of Superior Court Judge Charles L. Hardy who died here on December 17, 1935.

She is survived by a sister, Mrs. Etta Daniel of Clark county, Kentucky; and two brothers, Jeff Q. Boone of Winchester, Ky., and Oscar C. Boone of Tucson.

#### Member Famous Family

Mrs. Hardy, daughter of Cyrus W. Boone and Martha Ecton Boone, was born in Scholesville, Clark County, Ky., on February 14, 1887, and would have been 72 years old had she lived until next month. She married Charles E. Hardy at Kiddville, Ky., May 14 1885 - 56 (sic) years ago. She was a member of the historically famous pioneer Boone family of Kentucky.

She came to Tucson in October 1895 and to Nogales on December 13, 1913, when her husband became collector of customs here. Her mother died in Kentucky last year at the age of almost 101.

Mrs. Hardy was an honorary life member of the Tucson chapter of the Eastern Star, a member of the Baptist church and a person who numbered her friends by her acquaintances - one who endeared herself to the entire community during her quarter of a century residence here.

## **MRS. HANNAH HARRIS**

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Nogales International, Nogales, AZ June 17, 1933. Page 4

rites held for aged pioneer

J. A. Harris returned Monday evening from the Rock N R ranch in the Serrito mountains seven miles west of Twin Buttes where his mother, Mrs. Hannah Harris, 81, died Sunday afternoon at 1:30 o'clock.

Death, which it was believed was due to chronic indigestion, followed a three weeks illness at the home of the aged woman's other son, E. R. Harris.

The pioneer had lived in the district between Nogales and Tucson for about 65 years, dividing her time with her sons. Her husband, Daniel Harris, was ambushed and killed by Yaqui Indians in Sonora, 48 years ago.

Years ago the Harris family had a homestead in what is now a big part of the city of Nogales. The A. L. Peck White Front Garage is located on the site of the homestead. The Harris' in the early days set out the willows along the Nogales-Tucson road about five miles north of Nogales.

Interment Sunday took place on the old Harris homestead nine miles west of Twin Buttes and more than 400 relatives from Santa Cruz county, Douglas, St. David, etc., attended the services.

## **RICHARD HARRISON**

Contributed by Elizabeth Burns

Arizona Republican Newspaper, March 30, 1905

Jerry Sheehy was convicted and is serving time in Yuma for the killing of his best friend Richard Harrison in Santa Cruz County. Among the grounds on which an appeal in the Sheehy case was based was the admission by the trial court of a statement by Harrison after the shooting which he called attention to the fact that he was not armed when Sheehy shot him. It could not be regarded as a dying statement and it was close to the borderline of hearsay testimony but the court held that in any event it was insufficient for a reversal of the case.

## **RICHARD HARRISON**

Contributed by Elizabeth Burns

Arizona Republican Newspaper, January 18, 1904

A fatality seems to be attending the well know Harrison family of Washington Camp, Santa Cruz County. Richard Harrison, the son of Judge Harrison, and a brother in law of Hon. D.G. Chalmers, the Speaker of the House of the Nineteenth Legislature, who was

killed by Jerry Sheehy last Friday near Washington camp, is the second son of that family to meet a violent death in the same locality within two years.

A little less than two years ago an older son was killed at Washington by a man by the name of Morgan, who is now serving twenty years at Yuma.

The facts of the killing last Friday are not all known yet. It is reported that it was the culminating incident in a quarrel about some cattle. There is a suspicion though that there was some other cause. Harrison and Sheehy had for several years been running mates. They had been particularly chummy and taken part in several escapades and in one affair that could not be called an escapade. It was an assault one day on Hon. Colin Cameron whom they met on the range at Lochiel. They dismounted from their horses and pulling Mr. Camerson from his horse beat him almost into insensibility.

The case was taken into a U.S. court and after a stubborn trial they were acquitted. Richard Harrison was the youngest member of the Harrison family.

## **CHARLES HOLLER SR.**

Contributed by Jean Walker April 17, 2024

The Border Vidette, Nogales, AZ August 15, 1903. Page 3

Charles Holler, Sr., Killing by a Falling Telephone Pole

Mr. Charles Holler, Sr., is dead. He died last Saturday evening at 7:30 o'clock at his home on Sonoita avenue, from the effects of an awful blow on the head by a falling telephone (sic), while he was passing alone (sic) Sonoita avenue on his way down town from his home during the heavy thunder storm.

The accident was so sudden and unexpected that it is doubtful if Mr. Holler knew what struck him. The accident occurred about 3 o'clock in the afternoon. Medical aid was at once called but nothing could be done to save the grand old gentleman's life and about four hours later he breathed his last and death claimed one of Nogales' most highly respected citizens, a noble woman was made a widow and three children were made orphans.

News of the sudden, sad and untimely passing of Mr. Holler was a shock to the entire community. He was one of Nogales' first pioneers having come here from California many years ago. He was born in Solingea, Prussia, September 8th 1841. He came of a good family and was a gentleman both by birth and education. He loved home, music flowers and books and was a great student, being master of five languages. Of a kind,

gentle and loving disposition he was a model husband and father and all who knew him loved him.

A widow, two grown sons - Charles Jr., and Edward and one daughter, Mrs. Alfredo Sandoval, are left to mourn the loss of a kind and loving husband and father, and The Vidette extends to them heartfelt sympathy.

The funeral took place Monday forenoon from the family residence on Sonoita avenue, Rev. William Reud of the Trinity Congregational church officiating, interment being in the Nogales cemetery.

The following gentlemen acted as pall bearers: Theo. Gebler, Alex. Carpena, Ramon Vasquez, W. Behrendt, A. Suarez, T. Ruiz, M. Escalada and A. Parodi.

## **CHARLES F. HOLLER**

Contributed by Jean Walker, April 17, 2024

Nogales International, Nogales, AZ July 25, 1936. Page 1 & 2

### **SUDDEN DEATH PROMINENT BUSINESSMAN SHOCKS CITY**

**Charles F. Holler Succumbs To Attack Of Apoplexy At Residence Following Brief Illness; Came Here In 1882**

Following a very brief illness that was never thought to be serious, Charles F. Holler, 59, one of Nogales' most prominent businessmen, and for about 54 years a resident of this city, died at 10:30 o'clock Tuesday morning at his home, 533 Crawford street. Death was attributed to apoplexy.

Mr. Holler, whose untimely death shocked the city and came as a blow to members of his family and his host of friends, first became ill Saturday night. He complained of a pain near the heart that night and Sunday. On Monday a physician was called and administered some medicine. The physician returned Tuesday morning and pronounced him much better. A short time later, at 10:30 o'clock, the fatal attack of apoplexy came while he was asleep.

Miss Olga Holler, eldest of Mr. Holler's three daughters, was alone in the Holler home at the time her father died, other members of the family, never for one moment realizing that a fatal attack was near, being downtown at the time buying some groceries that Mr. Holler had requested.

## Funeral Services

Funeral services, with Rev. Father Hughes of Sacred Heart church officiating, were held at the Holler home Tuesday night and Wednesday afternoon, followed by burial in the Holler plot at the Nogales cemetery, where Mr. Holler's father, Charles E. Holler, who died here in 1903, is buried.

The funeral procession from the Holler home to the cemetery was one of the largest ever witnessed here, and the beautiful floral offerings were so numerous that they banked several rooms of the Holler residence, all of which attested to the high esteem in which Mr. Holler was held.

The pallbearers - oldtime friends of Mr. Holler - were Postmaster E. D. Miller, Presidente Gabriel Corrella of Nogales, Sonora, Guillermo Mascarenas, Manuel Mascarenas, Enrique Buelna, Carlos Suareq, Enrique Lineiro, A. Carpena, Harry Nick, and Ed Holler, Jr., a nephew.

Mr. Holler is survived by his wife and three daughters, Olga, 17; Rebecca, 13; Dehlia, 12; his mother, Mrs. Sigrid Holler, 84, a brother, E. E. Holler, and a sister, Mrs. Alfred Sandoval, all residents of this city.

## Born In San Franciso

Charles F. Holler was born in San Francisco on June 9, 1877, the son of Charles E. Holler who was born in Prussia and Sigrid Holler, who was born in Sweden.

Leaving San Francisco in 1879 he came to Tucson, and at the age of five, to Nogales in 1882, making the trip from Tucson to Nogales in those early days on a stage coach.

He started his business career here as a messenger boy for the Western Uniin (sic) and the railroad company and later worked in the dispatcher's office here under the late W. C. Budge.

Early in life he was railroad agent at Torres, Pesqueira, Carbo and Magdalena and was a custom house broker for the Cananea Mining Company at Naco. He established the pioneer custom house brokerage company of C. F. Holler & Company at Nogales in 1904, which he operated at the time of his death. He was married here in 1917 to Miss Maria Teresa Rodriguez.

## Lifelong Democrat

Politically, Mr. Holler was a life-long Democrat and at the time of his death was a member of the Santa Cruz County Democratic Central Committee. At each election, every two years, when a candidate for committeeman, his popularity was such that he polled a very high vote.

He was a member of the Nogales Lions Club and was formerly a member of the city board of aldermen. At the time he was elected alderman it was the custom to make the alderman receiving the highest vote mayor. Mr. Holler was high man that year but declined the honor of being mayor because of private business matters requiring all his attention.

## **MRS. SIGRID S. HOLLER**

Contributed by Jean Walker April 17, 2024

Nogales International, Nogales, AZ November 30, 1940. Page 2

### Last Rites For Well Known Pioneer

Last rites were held at the Episcopal church Thursday afternoon for the late Mrs. Sigrid S. Holler, 88, beloved Nogales pioneer, who died suddenly at 4:20 a.m. Tuesday at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Alfred Sandoval, 112 Sonoita street.

With the exception of Guillermo Mascarenas, all of the pallbearers were relatives of the well known woman.

Mrs. Holler's death came quite unexpectedly despite her advanced age as she was up and around as usual on Monday.

Born in Sweden January 5, 1852, the very popular pioneer came to the United States at the age of 17 and Nogales in 1879 - spending 61 years of her life in this city where she endeared herself to a host of friends who recognized her as one of Nogales' most charming women.

She is survived by a son, E. E. Holler, Sr., a daughter, Mrs. Alfred Sandoval, 12 grandchildren and 10 great grandchildren. She was the mother of the late Charles F. Holler, prominent business man, who died here on July 21, 1936.

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