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DEATH OF AGED CITIZEN.

At The Age of 96 Years John D.
Hurt Passes Away.

At the age of 96 years, John D. Hurt, one of Cooper county's oldest citizens passed away on Wednesday night, July 18, at the home of his son, in St. Louis.

Mr. Hurt was born in Carrington, Va., May 4, 1810. He came to Boonville when a lad of 16 years, and had lived here until a few months ago when he went on a visit to St. Louis, where his three sons reside.

He was one of the pioneer settlers of Cooper county and assisted it in said, in clearing the forests, where Boonville now stands. He was a typical pioneer of the olden time, where the deer and elk and wild beasts roamed with the red men of this country. He was known as "Uncle Johnnie Whistletrigger," and was an eccentric, unique character, and loved a good joke. During the Civil war he joined his fortunes with the south and was a soldier in General Price's army.

Besides his widow, he leaves three sons, Edward, Albert and Marion, who reside in St. Louis, and two daughters, Mrs. Wm. Back, of this city and Mrs. Marvin Arnold of New London, Mo.

The funeral was conducted from the M. E. church, south, in this city Friday afternoon, July 20, at 2:30 o'clock. Rev. W. A. McClanahan preached the funeral. The remains were deposited in the Walnut Grove cemetery. ✓