

## JAMES WILLIAM SMITH.

Well Known Farmer Near Otterville  
Died Aug. 1, Following Linger-  
ing Illness.—Funeral Saturday.

James William Smith, a well known farmer living four miles southwest of Otterville, died Thursday evening of last week at his beautiful "Prairie Home" Farm, in the edge of north Morgan county.

Funeral services were conducted by Rev. C. H. Harrell, of Versailles, a former pastor of the Presbyterian church at Otterville. Interment took place in the I. O. O. F. Cemetery at Otterville. The pallbearers were: Messrs. Zollinger, Golladay, DeHaven, Ramsayer, Wright and Meyer. The large concourse of relatives and friends present to pay their last tribute of respect attested to the high esteem in which the deceased was held in the community where he spent his useful life.

Mr. Smith was the second son of George W. Smith, deceased, and Nancy E. O'Neal Smith, of Otterville, where he was born Sept. 23, 1851, and where he spent his early manhood. He was a broad-minded man, well educated, a lover of beautiful flowers and was fond of travel and hunting. When a young man he spent several years in Colorado, Texas and New Mexico, traveling and hunting wild game. He was a highly interesting conversationist and his genial hospitality will be long remembered by his friends.

Mr. Smith was twice married, the first time to Miss Josie Howell, on May 21, 1884. Three children were born to this union, namely, Troy D. Smith, of Mackay, Idaho; Mrs. Ernest Floyd, of Rampart, Alaska, and a child which died in infancy. Mrs. Smith died Sept. 20, 1889, and on May 26, 1891, Mr. Smith was united in marriage with Miss Sallie M. Lockett. Five children were born of this union, one, Sarah Elizabeth, dying in infancy. The living children are: Lockett, in the aviation corps at Austin, Texas, but who was given a furlough until August 15 to assist on the farm during his father's illness; Miss Latna, at home; Leo James, who has been at the front in France, in the aviation corps, since Christmas, and Mrs. Raymond Merritt, of near Otterville.

Mr. Smith was not only a good neighbor and splendid citizen in whom his neighbors and friends had the greatest confidence, but was also a loving husband and father, and a Christian gentleman. He was an elder in the Presbyterian Church at Stony Point for a number of years and had been a member of the Odd Fellows Lodge at Otterville for over 40 years. He was also a member of the M. W. A. order.

Besides his sorely bereaved wife and children Mr. Smith is survived by his mother, Mrs. Nancy E. Smith, now in her 90th year; two sisters, Mrs. Mattie E. White and Mrs. Jas. S. Bane, of Otterville, and two brothers, N. A. Smith, of Haynes, Kansas, and P. F. Smith, southwest of Bunceton.