

Window Plaque



"In memory of Mr. & Mrs. Geo. H. Chalker." This plaque appears on the west facing window. Mrs. Cordelia Edwards Chalker passed away in 1930, and her husband, George, passed away in 1933. George left behind a three year old son, William, who was later adopted by family on his mother's side. Given the dates, this plaque is likely from the time that the Methodist Episcopal Church occupied the building. See attached obituary of William C. Conger for details on the Chalkers.

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Chalker Funeral Held Wednesday

Funeral services for Geo. H. Chalker were held Wednesday afternoon at two o'clock from the Allen Memorial chapel. The services were conducted by the Rev. G. H. Wertz, pastor of the Baptist church. Interment was at Elmwood cemetery.

George Harrison Chalker was born October 16, 1886, in Hope, Kansas, and died September 11, 1933, at the home of his niece, Mrs. George Stathem, in Brighton.

Mr. Chalker lived at Hope, Kansas, until he was 21 years of age, when he came to Brighton. He served in the army almost a year during the World war, being stationed at Kelly Field, San Antonio, Texas.

He was united in marriage with Cordelia Edwards May 15, 1919. To this union were born two children: a daughter, Phyllis Ann, who died in infancy, and a son, William Lewis, who is now three years old.

Mr. Chalker had been a mail carrier on rural route 2, Brighton, for a number of years and at the time when he took ill he was engaged in mining at Bellview, Colorado, in the Poudre canon.

Mr. Chalker's wife died October 19, 1930. His father, mother and one brother also preceded him in death. Besides his little son, he is survived by two sisters, Mrs. W. A. Bragg, and Mrs. Amy Kellogg, both of Harrington, Kansas, and two brothers, C. M. Chalker of Harrington, Kansas, and W. L. Chalker of Lincolnville, Kansas, and two nieces, Miss Doris Bragg, who has made her home with him for the past three years, and Mrs. George Stathem.