

BIBLE RECORDS

Cheatham family (Archer Cheatham, 1771-1822)

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DEATH OF GEN. RICHARD CHEATHAM.

It is with feelings of painful sorrow and regret that we announce the death of Gen. RICHARD CHEATHAM, of Robertson county. He departed this life at White's Creek Springs—whether he had gone on a visit of a few days, with his family—on Tuesday last, in the 47th year of his age, of typhoid fever. We hope some pen more competent than ours will furnish for our columns an appropriate tribute to his public and private worth—long will his memory live green in the affections of those who knew him. His inflexible honesty as a man, his unflinching fidelity as a friend, his unostentatious benevolence of heart, in short, his uniform moral rectitude and independence of character, combined with an unaffected social and gentlemanly courtesy, and a sound practical judgment, stamped him as a citizen of sterling worth, alike in public and in private life.

[From the Republican Banner, Sep. 10.] DEATH OF GENERAL CHEATHAM.

With sentiments of deep and unfeigned sorrow we have to announce the death of General RICHARD CHEATHAM, of Springfield, Tenn. This melancholy demise took place yesterday a few minutes before noon, at White's Creek Springs, near this city, whither he had gone, accompanied by his family, to pay a short visit. He fell a victim to a fever which attacked him a few days after his arrival, and which the utmost medical skill and the most constant and tender attentions could not subdue.

The deceased had only accomplished his 47th year, and is now suddenly cut off in the vigor of life and intellect, and at a moment when the maturity of his judgment had doubly heightened the value of his life to his family and his country. We knew him long and intimately, and speak no language of false adulation when we say that we have met, in an extensive acquaintance, with few who equaled and none who excelled him, in the attributes of nature. He was rigidly and inflexibly honest, and that without the least parade or ostentation of the virtues that warmed and adorned his bosom. Although his general deportment was rather stern and silent, his heart was peculiarly sensitive, and melted into tenderness whenever misery approached him, or the duties of a good man demanded the exercise of kindness and benevolence. Of a quick but sound and discriminating judgment, and incapable in his nature of hypocrisy, deceit, or disguise, he was endeared to and honored by the community in which he lived and by all who knew him; and during his life, exercised a just influence which falls to the lot of few men.

His loss will be long and deeply mourned by his family, and by the affectionate and confiding society, in the midst of whom all his days of youth and manhood were spent.

General Cheatham served the people frequently in the Legislature of Tennessee. He was a member of the Convention which framed our present State Constitution and wound up a useful and honorable political career by serving one term as a representative in the Congress of the United States.

Peace to the slumbers of the virtuous dead!

[From the Nashville Whig, Sep. 11]
We discharge a painful and melancholy duty to our readers to-day, in announcing to them the death of General Richard Cheatham, of Springfield, Tennessee, who died, at White's Creek Springs, on Tuesday last, after an illness of four days. We met with him at the Springs on the 1st instant, and never saw him in finer health and spirits. The next day he was attacked with fever, which, from the beginning, assumed a dangerous aspect, and which finally carried him off. We have known him long and intimately, and may, without the slightest exaggeration, say, that he was a man of singular and sterling worth, in all the relations of life. The prominent feature in his character was that of uncompromising truthfulness at all times and under every possible combination of circumstances, and with this was combined, in an eminent degree, a natural benignity which delighted in contributing to the happiness of others. His death is a public, no less than a private, loss. He was taken off in the 47th year of his age—in the prime of manhood and in the midst of his usefulness as a neighbor, a citizen, and a soldier. He served with distinction during several sessions of the Legislature of

FAMILY RECORD.

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Samuel Chatham
departed this life 12th day
of February 1808 - after
a long illness - 32 years
of matrimony and 3 days was
his time whilst here on
earth -

John Chatham
departed this life on Satur-
day evening September the
15th 1822 - after a short
but painful illness - 51 years
of matrimony and 27 days
was his time whilst here on
earth. The Lord just and true
has taken away and blessed be
the name of the Lord always -

Reuben Chatham died the
11th December 1822 aged
the year 7 months and
twenty four days -

Richard Chatham departed
this life after an illness of
ten days on the morning of
the 9th of September 1822
aged 46 years 6 months,
and 20 days -

"The memory of the just is blessed"
Boyd Chatham departed
this life on the 15th of
September 1822 aged 51
years and 27 days -

Wm L. Chatham departed
this life on the 15th of
September 1822 aged 51
years and 27 days -

The friends and acquaintance of E. H. FOSTER are invited to attend
the funeral of his son, EPHRAIM, on to-morrow morning, 9 o'clock. A
discourse will be delivered by Bishop Fall previous to proceeding to the
Saturday Aug. 11, 1827.
Corporation Burying ground.

(Continued.)

DIED, at the residence of her brother, Robert O.
Foster, 3d., Esq., on Friday morning the 28th inst.,
Mrs. JANE ELLIN CHATHAM, late consort
of Col. Edward S. Chatham, of Springfield, Tenn.,
and oldest daughter of Hon. Ephraim H. Foster,
aged 25 years.

Another blessing has been witnessed by the skill-
ing touch of Death, and the mourners are not few.
She was to her family and her extensive circle of
relatives and friends, the cherished object of their
sincerest and most devoted affection. Ardent in her
attachments, frank, cordial, and sincere in her
friendship, and signally true to all the endearing
duties that fall to woman's lot in social and domestic
life, she bestowed during her brief span of human
existence, and in her turn enjoyed all the precious
fruits of her ingenuous affections. Apprehensive
and fascinating in her very infancy, and even then
possessing extraordinary elements of moral and
intellectual excellence, she was to her new relations
father, the pride of his heart, and in the morning of
his manhood wedded to his every dream of coming
joy; and the ripened fruit was to the man.

As a wife, she was a "winning work." After her
marriage, although tossed under the gay and cheerful
sun of pleasure, she was possessed of the fortitude
to forgo the blandishments of city life without a
regret, and embraced the raw field of duty upon
which she had entered with cheerful and unflinching
zeal, and her home was ever cheered and brightened
with the attractions of her many social and religious
virtues, and the noble and matchless energies of
her character. Around that happy fire-side clustered
peace, happiness and love, and but a few short
weeks since, it rejoiced in all the precious crown
which buoyant youth or undimmed hope could claim.

In any circumstance of life, death is deplorable
and it is, when blooming loveliness is blighted,
when ripe maturity, valued for wisdom and wit,
all the rewards of an honorable and useful life cluster
around it, drops into the grave, and leaves
weeping multitudes to mourn the untimely loss, be-
cause every heart bleeds with instinctive love, when
young mother is snatched from the support, and em-
brace of her infant brood. Truly it is the sudden
disposition, which Providence could impose a
task mankind the instability of human happiness.

The deceased was exemplary in her maternal de-
votion, and to the lovely little group that gathered about
her knee, receiving a mother's blessing, and the un-
told tokens of a mother's sacred care, the loss indeed
is irreparable. She had been for many years devoted
to her deceased husband and devoted follower of
her blessed Redeemer, and, although unacquainted
in her conduct and professions, rejected in the fulness
of a Christian's hope, and the assurance of a bright
and happy existence beyond the sphere of Time,
where she has now been reunited with a beloved
mother, harmoniously united with the angels
dwelling in the glittering crown of Heaven.

Weep not for her in the spring-time, she has
found that land where the wings of the soul can unfold;
And now when a new beyond coming's odd hour,
Laid her gently down on the altar of this world.

The Late John Dickinson Foster, M. D.
The remains of this gentleman, of whose
death in New Orleans on the 14th inst., we
have already made mention, were received in
this city at 2 o'clock yesterday, at the
depot of the Nashville and Decatur rail-
road.

A large number of the extensive family
connection of which he was a member, with
many personal friends and gentlemen of
the medical profession were in attendance,
and formed the funeral procession to the
family burying-ground in the City Cemetery.
The services at the grave were conducted by
the Rev. Philip S. Fall, of the Christian
Church.

Dr. Foster was a native of this city,
though the years of his manhood were
spent in New Orleans, where he had at-
tained distinction and popularity as a
physician. He had filled various offices of
professional public trust acceptably, and
at the time of his death was a member of
the Board of Health.

The New Orleans *Platone* of the 14th
thus refers to him:
"The death of this well known gentle-
man, which occurred yesterday morning,
will surprise many persons among his ac-
quaintances, as it was known to few that
he was even unwell. During the late
epidemic, he devoted himself with his usual
energy and success to the care of a large
number of patients, preserving, until about
ten days since, his ordinary robust health,
when he was seized with the violent and
fatal fever to which he has succumbed.
He was a native of Tennessee, and a son of
the Hon. Ephraim H. Foster, a leading and
very influential citizen of that State, which
he represented for one term in the Senate of
the United States. The deceased was high-
ly esteemed by his professional brethren,
and was looked upon as a physician of ex-
tensive learning and of excellent judgment
in practice."

He was for some years house
surgeon at the Charity Hospital in this
city, and during the administration of Gov.
More was quarantine physician of this
port. His decease will cause lively regret
to a large circle of friends and acquaint-
ances.

TRIBUTE TO MRS. SUSAN CHATHAM.

In the City of Springfield, Tenn., on the 9th day of
April, 1821, Mrs. JANE ELLIN CHATHAM, widow of
Ephraim Chatham, in the 62d year of her age.

Mrs. Chatham led a very active life, and well and
nobly did she fill up the measure of her usefulness.
A perfect lady, in the highest sense of the term, it
was in the domestic circle that her faithful worth
was most strikingly displayed. She was a very
feeling and one of the most devoted mothers there.
Other it may truly be said with emphasis, who
lived for her children.

Possessed of a gentle disposition, an abiding
gentleness, true faith, with a heart quick to com-
miserate the woes of the unfortunate and a hand
ready as charity to administer to their needs, it
is not strange that she had a large circle of friends,
and that those who knew her best prize her
most.

Her death was the loss of a family, and
many will mourn with pleasure to the end,
who were so united with her by ties of love
and friendship. In death she was the same
gentle, true, and faithful friend. Her death
was a sudden, unexpected loss, and it is
not strange that those who knew her best prize her
most.

As a mother, she was a true friend, and
many will mourn with pleasure to the end,
who were so united with her by ties of love
and friendship. In death she was the same
gentle, true, and faithful friend. Her death
was a sudden, unexpected loss, and it is
not strange that those who knew her best prize her
most.

But it is her noble family that family that her dis-
tinction is to be known. It is a family that has
been a blessing to the world, and it is not strange
that those who knew her best prize her most.

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BIRTHS.

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Edward Saunders Chatham
1st Son of Rich^d. & Susan Chatham
was born Friday morning July
31st 1815

William Archer Chatham
2nd Son of Rich^d. & Susan Chatham
was born Friday morning 8th
of August 1816

Isaac Lewis Chatham
1st daughter of Rich^d. & Susan Chatham
was born Monday morning the
28th of August 1822

Richard Bloor Chatham
3rd Son & 4th Child of Rich^d. & Susan
Chatham was born Wednesday
morning the 8th of December 1824

Martha Washington Chatham
2nd daughter & 5th Child of Rich^d. & Susan
Chatham was born Saturday
the 17th of March 1827

Harvey Chatham 6th Son
& 7th Child of Rich^d. & Susan
Chatham was born
25th January 1829

Rufus Chatham 5th Son
and 7th Child of Richard
& Susan Chatham was born
Saturday the 16th of April 1831

Ephraim John Chatham
1st Son & 8th Child of
Richard & Susan Chatham
was born the 1st day of
September 1833

Mary Elizabeth Chatham
3rd daughter & 9th Child
of Richard & Susan Chatham
was born 22nd July 1836

David Henry Chatham 10th
Child & 10th Son of Richard
& Susan Chatham was born
the 31st July 1838

Hugh Lawson White Chatham 11th
Child & 8th Son of Richard and
Susan Chatham was born the
28th day of January 1841.

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MARRIAGES.

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Richard Chatham &
Susan Saunders were united
by the sacred ties of matrimony
on Wednesday evening the
9th of September 1817

W. E. M. Chatham &
Susan G. Jones were united
by the sacred ties of matrimony
on Thursday evening 13th of February
1868

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*Richard Cheatham was
born 31st of July 1889*

*Luan Cheatham was
born 28th of May 1892*

The friends and acquaintance of **JAMES H. FOSTER**, are invited to attend the
Funeral of his late Wife, **NARCISSA**, to-morrow morning, at 10 o'clock, from his
residence on the Murfreesboro' Turnpike. Divine service by the Rev. Dr. Wharton.

Nashville, Dec. 17th, 1845.

JOHN
MRS. JANE ELLEN CHEATHAM.

The friends and acquaintances of the late **HENRY DICKINSON** are requested to at-
tend his funeral **THIS AFTERNOON** at 3 o'clock, at the residence of **E. H. Foster, Esq.** Di-
vine Service by the Rev. Mr. Wheat.
Monday, September 15, 1845.

The friends and acquaintance of **JOHN W.**
SAUNDERS are invited to attend his funeral from his
late residence on Vine Street, To-morrow Morning at 9
o'clock. Service by the Rev. J. T. Wheat.
Wednesday, 31st August, 1845.

*The friends and acquaintances of COL. F. S.
CHEATHAM, are requested to attend the funeral of his
late wife, Mrs. JANE ELLEN CHEATHAM, at the
First Presbyterian Church, this afternoon, at 3 o'clock.
Divine service by the Rev. Dr. Ligon.*

Saturday, June 21st, 1851.

