

**G Obituaries pre-1923, not previously shared
(from Monica Schirmer Eshelman)**

Date of death: 19 Jan 1903

Subject: Ellen M. (Galloway) Bundy*

Source: *St. Joseph Gazette*, 20 Jan 1903, p. 6

Mrs. Harrison Bundy, a colored woman, aged about fifty years, dropped dead at the corner of Tenth street and Frederick avenue yesterday at 5:30. A large crowd quickly collected and considerable excitement ensued. Her death was caused from heart disease. She lived at No. 416 South Seventh [sic] street and had many friends among the colored people. Her bereaved husband is a porter at the Sommers-Richardson factory.

Same

Source: *St. Joseph Gazette*, 21 Jan 1903, p. 6

Mrs. Ellen Bunday [sic], wife of Harrison Bundy, died at 5:30 yesterday afternoon at her late home, No. 416 South Seventeenth street. She was fifty-seven years old.

Date of death: Feb 1893

Subject: Patrick Galvin

Source: *St. Joseph Gazette*, 1 Mar 1893, p. 5

For ten days past the remains of Patrick Galvin, the railroad man who died at the police station, have been kept at Sidenfaden's undertaking rooms awaiting a claimant. No one so far seems to desire the remains, and they will be buried in the city cemetery to-day.

Galvin died of acute alcoholism, he being brought from Vey's saloon to the police station in a semi-conscious condition. At first it was thought he was only intoxicated and would be all right in a short time, but in place of getting better he died. He has a brother-in-law named Coleman, who resides at Des Moines, and upon telegraphing to him the undertaker received an answer to send on the remains, but no provision was made for so doing. Galvin's sister also telegraphed to ship the remains to her, but she likewise sent no funds, neither did she make provision for the shipping of the body and it was not sent. Since that time the relatives have seemingly made no further effort to make provision to secure the body and in consequence it will be buried to-day in the potter's field.

Date of death: 18 Dec 1918

Subject: Tomas Garcia

Source: *St. Joseph News-Press*, 19 Dec 1918, p. 6

Thomas [sic] Garcia, twenty-two years old, a laborer employed by the Rock Island, died yesterday at his home, Eighth and Penn streets, of pneumonia.

Date of death: 22 Jun 1901

Subject: Mrs. Sarah M. Gardner

Source: *St. Joseph Gazette-Herald*, 23 Jun 1901, p. 7

Mrs. Sarah M. Gardner, seventy-seven years old, died of old age at 8 o'clock Saturday morning at the home of her daughter, Mrs. R. M. Bullimore, 141¹/₂ North Sixth street. The funeral will be held this afternoon from the residence.

same

Source: *St. Joseph Gazette-Herald*, 23 Jun 1901, p. 9

Mrs. Sarah M. Gardner died at 8 o'clock Saturday morning at the home of her daughter, Mrs. R. M. ... N. 6th St., at the age of ... years ... months and 21 days. Funeral will ... at the house Sunday ... p.m. Interment at Green cemetery. Friends of the family invited to attend.

Date of death: 5 May 1906

Subject: Frederick E. Garlich

Source: *St. Joseph News-Press*, 5 May 1906, p. 6

Dr. F. E. Garlich, a practicing physician who has lived in the country, north of St. Joseph, thirty-six years, died at 9 o'clock this morning of quick consumption, brought on by Bright's disease. The dead man was highly esteemed, both as a physician and as a citizen, and was well known in St. Joseph. He was a brother of H. M. Garlich, the druggist, who died several years ago, and an uncle of F. A. H. Garlich.

F. E. Garlich was born in Liberty, Mo., October 11, 1845. He moved with his parents to St. Louis in 1857 where he attended school. The family came to St. Joseph in 1860 and his father opened a drugstore at Third and Felix streets. When the Civil War broke out in 1860 he enlisted in the Confederate army. He served through the war and was in the siege of Pittsburg Landing. He was in the army of Gen. Joseph E. Johnson. He returned to St. Joseph in 1865. Soon afterward he settled in Doniphan County, Kansas, and practice medicine there five years. He returned to Buchanan County and settled a few miles north of the city, where he continued the practice of his profession.

Mr. Garlich was a member of the United Confederate Veterans, and is survived by his wife, four sons, Warren, James, Silver and Virgil Lee, and four daughters, Ethel, Gertrude, Mrs. J. E. Armagost and Mrs. Robert Clark.

The funeral will be conducted from the home at 2 o'clock Sunday afternoon. Burial will be at Green Cemetery.

Date of death: 27 Apr 1906

Subject: Ida V. (Gerbar) Beals

Source: *St. Joseph Gazette*, 28 Apr 1906, p. 8

Mrs. Ida Beals, 22 years old, the wife of Denton Beals, died at 11:30 o'clock yesterday at the home of her mother, Mrs. Anna L. Gerbar, 909 Water street. She had been ill for a long time from consumption. Mrs. Beals is survived by her husband, mother, two brothers, Charles and

Gourdon Gerbar, and four sisters, Louise, Rose and Laura of St. Joseph, and Lizzie of Little Rock, Ark.

Date of death: unknown

Subject: Daniel Gillen*

Source: *St. Joseph News-Press*, 3 Nov 1909, p. 4- *not an obituary*

Daniel Gillen, a two-year-old negro child, is dying at 708 South Twenty-first street because his four-year-old brother, Howard, in a playful mood yesterday, set fire to the light cotton clip which the smaller child wore, while playing about the house. The burned child today lay on a bed at the side of a crooning one-year-old brother, while Howard played about the room, laughing in ignorance of his little brother's plight, and his share in the fatality.

There was a fire in the kitchen stove when the children's mother stepped into the yard for an armful of wood yesterday. She gathered up the sticks and turned toward the house, to be met by Howard, who was laughing.

"I put fire on brother's back," he cried. He still was waving the scorched remnant of a newspaper which he had lighted at the stove. The mother ran into the house and smothered the flames with which the baby was enveloped, but its light clothing had ignited readily and its body and head were covered with burns. The child's pain was intense and Dr. J. M. Doyle said that it could not recover. This morning it sank into unconsciousness from which it is not expected to rally.

William Gillen, the father, is a barber.

Date of death: 5 Sep 1916

Subject: Elizabeth Gillen

Source: *St. Joseph News-Press*, 6 Sep 1916, p. 6

Elizabeth Gillen, nineteen-month-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Gillen, 403 South Fourth street, died at 10:30 o'clock yesterday morning at a local hospital.

Date of death: 12 Jul 1909

Subject: Virginia B. "Jennie" Gilley

Source: *St. Joseph News-Press*, 12 Jul 1909, p. 1

Mrs. Jennie Gilley, forty-six years old, died suddenly about 1:30 o'clock this morning, at the home of Albert Larison, a teamster, 2414 Messanie street, and at least one of the attending physicians is not altogether satisfied that her death was due to natural causes.

Mrs. Gilley was stricken with what was thought to be paralysis about 2 o'clock Saturday afternoon. Dr. E. C. Davis was summoned immediately, and Dr. John Doyle attended her Sunday afternoon. Doctor Doyle was undecided as to the cause of death, and he notified Coroner Byrd. The coroner, after an investigation, said death was due to natural causes. Doctor Doyle has suggested that an autopsy be conducted. The coroner was summed as a witness in the Fairhurst

murder trial at Savannah today, and he probably will order a postmortem on Mrs. Gilley when he returns.

According to neighbors, there was a drunken brawl at the home of Larison Friday night. The neighbors also say that fights there have been of common occurrence, and that little attention was been [sic] paid to the disturbance Friday night. Mrs. Gilley was housekeeper at Larison's.

"I don't know that there was anything wrong about the woman's death, but it is one of these cases where you can't make a mistake by investigating," said Doctor Doyle. "There is a good deal of talk in the neighborhood about a quarrel between Larison and the woman Friday night and I though [sic] it would be wise to inquire into the facts. There were no marks on the body, and the history of the case indicated a cerebral hemorrhage."

The body was removed to H. O. Sidenfaden's undertaking rooms and orders for its preparation for burial at Helena, Mo., were given by Larison.

The woman was the divorced wife of a street car conductor.

same

Source: *St. Joseph News-Press*, 13 Jul 1909, p. 4

An autopsy was performed last night by Coroner Byrd and Dr. John Doyle on the body of Mrs. Jennie Gilley, who died suddenly at the home of Albert Larison, 2414 Messanie street, at 1:30 o'clock Monday morning. It revealed that cerebral hemorrhage was the cause of the woman's death.

The statement in The News-Press yesterday that Albert Larison, by whom Mrs. Gilley was employed as housekeeper, had arranged for her burial, was incorrect. The arrangements were made by two of the woman's brothers.

Date of death: 24 Dec 1912

Subject: Robert M. Gilmore

Source: *St. Joseph News-Press*, 24 Dec 1912, p. 3

Robert Gilmore, sixty-eight years old, a farmer, died at 1 o'clock this morning at the home of relatives at 1823 Messanie street. Burial was in City Cemetery at 3 o'clock this afternoon.

Date of death: 12 Sep 1903

Subject: infant daughter of John Gladden

Source: *St. Joseph Daily News*, 12 Sep 1903, p. 6

The infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Gladden, at Second and Cherry streets, died at 6 o'clock this morning. Burial tomorrow at the city cemetery.

Date of death: 22 May 1909

Subject: Henry O. Goodale

Source: *St. Joseph Gazette*, 23 May 1909, p. 9

After lying in a local hospital for more than a week, suffering terrible pain from burns on his head and body, Henry Goodale, the aged nightwatchman who was injured in an explosion of gas in his home, 810 Hickory street, died at 3 o'clock yesterday afternoon.

Thomas Goodale, a son, who was also in the explosion, is rapidly recovering. Both men were upstairs in their home at the time of the accident, which is thought to have been caused by a bolt of lightning striking the house. The older man was asleep in one room, and his son was in the next, but not asleep.

The lightning is thought to have hit in the room in which the old man was sleeping. His face, head and neck were horrible burned, and with his clothes afire he staggered downstairs and into the street where the flames were extinguished by friends.

The body of the nightwatchman is now at his daughter's home, 2110 South Twelfth street. It will be taken to Savannah, Mo. tomorrow morning for burial. He was a member of Logan Tribe of the Red Men and was 74 years old.

Date of death: 12 Aug 1908

Subject: Leonora Goodin

Source: *St. Joseph News-Press*, 13 Aug 1908, p. 4

The one-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Goodin died at 3 o'clock this morning at the Sheltering Arms Institute. Scarlet fever was the cause of death. Burial will be in the city cemetery.

Date of death: 17 Feb 1906

Subject: George Goodloe*

Source: *St. Joseph Gazette*, 18 Feb 1906, p. 1

Clutching in a withered hand a copy of a writ granting full emancipation from the bonds of slavery, George Goodlow [sic], an aged negro, was found dead at his bedside, in his home, 813 South Fifteenth street, yesterday afternoon.

Heart trouble, in the opinion of Coroner Bansbach, who was called at 5 o'clock last night, was responsible for death.

An inquest is not deemed necessary by the coroner.

Eighty-five years ago George Goodlow was born upon the broad expanse of a South Carolina plantation. Similar his life history was in many respects to Harriet Beecher Stowe's "Uncle Tom's Cabin," as the fortunes of the south shifted under the agitation against human bondage.

Goodlow was sold in the New Orleans slave market when 21 years old and varied his fortunes during the following ten years between life on a coast steamer and that of a stevedore on the wharves of southern shipping ports.

During the early stages of the rebellion Goodlow was granted his freedom by Charles Renfrow, a landed southerner, who foresaw the possibility of national emancipation of the negro.

Goodlow remained in the south until the close of the war when he came north. He has lived in St. Joseph for many years. By hard work and the application of thrifty principles the aged negro had accumulated a small competency.

Same

Source: *St. Joseph Gazette*, 25 Feb 1906, p. 7

The will of George Goodloe, who was a negro minister, was filed yesterday for probate. W. H. Jones is ... executor of the estate. Money aggregating \$6... is distributed among a half dozen relatives and the residue of his estate is left to be divided between his two daughters, Mrs. Georgia Cox and Miss Nellie Goodloe.

Date of death: 3 Oct 1913

Subject: Anna L. Gordon*

Source: *St. Joseph News-Press*, 6 Oct 1913, p. 2

Dr. J. R. A. Crossland, a negro physician, 903 1/2 Frederick avenue, was arrested at Rock & Clark's undertaking rooms Saturday afternoon for carrying concealed weapons. He was arraigned in police court this morning, when the case was continued until the latter part of the week. It is understood it will be dropped and a state warrant be issued for him.

Crossland was summoned as a witness in the coroner's inquest over the body of Anna Gordon, a negress, who died following the birth of her child. Doctor Crossland was a witness, and when he was called to the stand, it was seen he carried a .38-caliber revolver. He said threats had been made against his life and that he carried the weapon in self-defense. After giving bond at Central Police Station he was allowed to return to the morgue and testify.

The inquest will be continued by Dr. T. J. Lynch late this afternoon.

Same

Source: *St. Joseph Gazette*, 5 Oct 1913, p. 1

Summoned as a witness in the inquest yesterday afternoon over the body of Anna Gordon, a negress, Dr. J. R. Crossland, a negro physician, was arrested by Patrolmen Boyle and Robinson at the doors of Rock & Clark's undertaking rooms and charged with carrying concealed weapons. A loaded revolver was found in his pocket.

Doctor Crossland explained that he had received a letter and ... threatening his life ... at the inquest and ... weapon in his pocket ... accompanied the officers to the police station, where he furnished bond. He then returned to the inquest to testify.

The Gordon woman died following the birth of a child and the inquest was held to determine if a criminal operation had been performed. Four witnesses were heard and the inquest continued until 5 o'clock tomorrow afternoon.

Same

Source: *St. Joseph News-Press*, 7 Oct 1913, p. 6

That death was due to natural causes was the verdict following a coroner's inquest at Rock & Clark's yesterday over the body of Anna Gordon, a negress.

Date of death: 4 Sep 1919

Subject: Elmer Gordon

Source: *St. Joseph News-Press*, 5 Sep 1919, p. 6

Elmer Gordon, sixty-two years old, who lived at 623 North Sixth street, died at 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon in a local hospital.

Date of death: 23 Apr 1904

Subject: Martha H. (Gore) Gordon*

Source: *St. Joseph Gazette*, 24 Apr 1904, p. 6

Mattie H. Gordon, colored, wife of James Gordon, died early yesterday morning at the family residence, 404 South Seventh street. The funeral will be held tomorrow afternoon at 2:30 from the African M.E. church and interment will be in Mt. Mora cemetery.

Date of death: 19 Apr 1904

Subject: Rhoda (Graham or Grimm) Wilson*

Source: *St. Joseph Gazette*, 22 Apr 1904, p. 5

Probably the largest casket which has ever been used in St. Joseph was completed yesterday at Heaton's morgue.

It is an enormous box, being six feet long, 31 inches wide and 22 inches deep, and was made on a special order.

The coffin will receive the body of Mrs. Rhoda Wilson, a negro woman, who died at her home, 622 North Seventh street, Tuesday. The woman weighted [sic] about 350 pounds.

The funeral will be held this afternoon and interment will be in the city cemetery.

Date of death: 16 Aug 1908

Subject: Michael Grata

Source: *St. Joseph News-Press*, 17 Aug 1908, p. 6

Michael Grata, 36 years old, died early Sunday morning at a local hospital of heart disease. He died at 5806 Lake avenue. The funeral was conducted this forenoon, at H. O. Sidenfaden's chapel.

Date of death: 13 Mar 1905

Subject: Charles Isaac Graves

Source: *St. Joseph News-Press*, 14 Mar 1905, p. 5

Charles J. [sic] Graves, aged nine years, son of Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Graves, died of pneumonia at 11:15 o'clock last night at the family home, five miles northwest of St. Joseph.

Date of death: 10 May 1906

Subject: Ernest L. Gray

Source: *St. Joseph News-Press*, 11 May 1906, p. 6

Maryville, Mo., May 11.—Ernest Gray, who was brought here from Clearmont, three weeks ago, to be operated on for appendicitis, died at the hospital yesterday. He was a son of Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Gray and was eighteen years of age. He leaves two sisters. The body was shipped to Clearmont last night for burial.

Date of death: 3 May 1908

Subject: Alexander Green*

Source: *St. Joseph News-Press*, 4 May 1908, p. 1

Alex Geen, seventy-nine years old, one of the landmarks of Lake Contrary, and well known to every fisherman who frequents the lake, died last night at 12 o'clock, in a shack north of the Lotus Club. Death was sudden, and was due to heart disease. Alex's house, which was long a resort of local fishermen, who bought their bait there, burned a few weeks ago, and since then, he had been living in the hut where he died, with Hiram Hughes, another negro. Green's wife, as well known as himself, died about three years ago. Stories of the famous fish and fried chicken dinners, which they served to picnickers, will now be but a tradition of the lake.

Dr. C. F. Byrd, coroner, viewed the aged negro's body this forenoon and decided that an inquest is not necessary.

Same

Source: *St. Joseph News-Press*, 6 May 1908, p. 8

Alex Green, aged 77 years, died at 12 o'clock Sunday night, May 3, of heart trouble, at Lake Contrary. The remains were removed to Ramsey Undertaking parlor, ?th and Olive sts. Funeral services at 2 o'clock Thursday afternoon, May 7, from the undertaking rooms. Burial at city cemetery.

Date of death: 16 Jul 1908

Subject: Alfred Duff Green

Source: *St. Joseph News-Press*, 13 Oct 1908, p. 12

Duff Green, president of the Green Loan Company, died a short time ago in Omaha, where he had lived many years. He was born and reared in Andrew County, and married Miss Margaret Rockwell of St. Joseph. At one time he was a police captain in Omaha.

The dead man was a brother of the late Samuel B. Green, who was a prominent lawyer in St. Joseph. Two other brothers, Alex Green of Chicago and George D. Green of Cleburne, Texas, are living. A sister, Mrs. W. R. Davis, lives in Omaha.

Green's widow survives him. He had lived for a time on a farm in Sarpy County, Neb., owned by him, but more recently had been in the real estate business at the head of the Green Loan Company, in Omaha.

Date of death: 1 Aug 1905

Subject: Mrs. Ann Green*

Source: *St. Joseph Gazette*, 2 Aug 1905, p. 8

Mrs. Alexander Green, a negro woman who has lived in St. Joseph a... her ... died at her residence northwest of the L... Club at Lake Contrary yesterday at the age of 70 years.

Same

Source: *St. Joseph News-Press*, 3 Aug 1905, p. 2

"Aunt" Ann Green, wife of "N---¹ Alec," died yesterday morning at her home at the north end of Lake Contrary, where she lived thirty years or more. Her age was given to the undertaker as fifty-nine years, but she looked to be older.

"Aunt" Ann was widely known for her excellence as a cook. A chicken dinner at "N--- Alec's" meant much to those who have enjoyed a feast at the lakeside cottage. The place was famed twenty-five years ago and many men who are now well along in years tell of the days when they used to drive there for a fish or chicken fry.

Of recent years Aunt Ann and her husband have been rather feeble and the resort has not been patronized so much as in former years. "N--- Alec" survives "Aunt" Ann.

Date of death: Feb 1903

Subject: Charity Green*

Source: *St. Joseph Daily News*, 6 Feb 1903, p. 6

Charity Green, a negress, who was for sixty-five years a slave, died in Omaha a few days ago at the age of one hundred and three years. The old woman lived in St. Joseph for several years at the close of the war, having come here from her native state of Kentucky.

¹ The newspaper used the complete word, but I won't.

Date of death: 7 Sep 1919
Subject: Dorothy E. Green
Source: *St. Joseph News-Press*, 8 Sep 1919, p. 6

Dorothy, infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Green, 711 Mary street, died at 12:40 o'clock yesterday afternoon in a local hospital.

Date of death: 19 Feb 1917
Subject: James Green*
Source: *St. Joseph News-Press*, 19 Feb 1917, p. 6

James Green, a negro who came from Kansas City, died at 6 o'clock this morning at St. Joseph's Hospital from wounds he received early last Wednesday morning in a stabbing affray with Oscar Williams, a negro bartender, in the "club" at ?12 North Second street. The body will be sent to Kansas City. Williams is in custody.

Date of death: 3 Apr 1904
Subject: James A. Green*
Source: *St. Joseph Gazette*, 5 Apr 1904, p. 10

James A. Green, 21 years old, a negro, died Sunday afternoon at the home of his grandmother, Mrs. Annie Gentry, 721 South Fourteenth street. He was the son of James H. Green, janitor at the National bank of St. Joseph. The funeral will take place this afternoon at 2:30 o'clock from the Francis Street Baptist church. Interment will be in Mount Mora cemetery.

Date of death: 14 Jan 1902
Subject: Mrs. Matilda Green*
Source: *St. Joseph Daily News*, 15 Jan 1902, p. 6

Matilda Green, colored, aged sixty-five years, widow of Asbury Green, died at 9:40 o'clock Tuesday night at her residence, 602 North Second street. She had lived in Missouri for fifty years.

Date of death: 30 May 1908
Subject: Joseph H. Greer
Source: *St. Joseph News-Press*, 1 Jun 1908, p. 4

Matthew D. McCormick, seventeen years old, Albert H. Graves, eighteen years old, and Joseph H. Greer, twenty years old, were drowned Saturday night about 9 o'clock by the overturning of a skiff in Lake Contrary.

The bodies of McCormick and Graves were recovered Saturday night, but Greer's body was not found until Sunday afternoon, although a constant search had been prosecuted since the accident.

All of the bodies were removed to Heaton's undertaking rooms, where it was announced an inquest would be held at 4 o'clock this afternoon.

The young men who were drowned were members of a campaign party which went to the extreme upper end of the lake Saturday for an outing of several days. There were eleven youths in the party and they had set up camp on the east shore of the lake, at a place called Goodwin's clearing, nearly a mile north of the Lotus Club.

The other members of the party are: Frank and Jack Yost, Charles Innis, Leo Hays, Earl Gardiner, John Bays and William Sm...

From this point, McCormick, Graves, Joseph Greer and Claud Greer, rowed over ... a troutline, which had ... the water soon after the ... the lake. Some of the ... change... position ... when it was about fifty ... and there was some ... This ... in the ... small craft, and all ... into the water, which ... feet at the place....

Members of the party ... the shore heard ... their ... but the ... could ... the ... Those in ... [*rest of paragraph mainly illegible*].

The search for the bodies of the drowned began immediately and McCormick and Graves bodies were taken out of the water. Difficulty was experiences in ... Greer and it was ... that a ... surface by ... Griffin.

McCormick was the son of Mrs. Lillie McCormick, a widow who lives at Seventy and ... streets. He was ... McDonald factory, Twelfth and Penn streets,

Graves lived with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. ... Graves, at 2823 South Six... and was employed at the ...

Greer was a son of Mrs. Eugene Greer, a widow ... Mitchell avenue, and ... Burlington as a brakeman.

The bodies of the drowned young men were removed to their homes immediately after ... inquest and the ... be tomorrow. Greer's body will be taken to Helena, Mo., and funeral services were conducted at his mother's home this afternoon.

... the boys were excellent swimmers and their companions are unable to account for their failure to swim ashore when the skiff overturned.

same

Source: *St. Joseph News-Press*, 1 Jun 1908, p. 8

Joseph H. Greer died May 30, aged 20 years 3 months and 27 days. Survived by his mother, Mrs. Eugene G. Greer, five sisters, Mrs. J. C. Carr, Mrs. T. J. Swafford, Lidia, Nellie and C...e Greer, and three brothers, George M., Claude W. and Stephen Greer, all of St. Joseph. Services will be held at the family residence, 1802 Mitchell avenue this afternoon at 3 o'clock, Rev. M. M. Goode

officiating. The remains will be shipped to Helena, Mo., tomorrow morning, leaving Union depot at 10 o'clock. Burial at Union Chapel, Helena, Mo., at ... o'clock. Friends invited.

Same

Source: *St. Joseph News-Press*, 2 Jun 1908, p. 4

At the coroner's inquest held over the bodies of the three young men who were drowned at Lake Contrary Saturday night ... showed that Joseph Greer, one of the lads who lost their lives, caused the catastrophe by rocking the boat in which the party was rowing.

Claude Greer, the only survivors of the party, testified that his brother Joseph threw water on the other boys, and rocked the boat with the intention of frightening them.

W. C. Vincent and Frank Yost, members of the party, who were on shore when the accident occurred, were also examined by the coroner's jury.

The funeral of McCormick was at 4 o'clock this afternoon, at Heaton's undertaking rooms. The Rev. C. A. Lowe, pastor of Mitchell Park Christian Church, conducted the services. Interment was in Mount Mora Cemetery.

The body of Joseph Greer was sent to Helena, Mo., at 10 o'clock today and the burial occurred at 1 o'clock this afternoon.

The funeral of Graves was conducted at Heaton's undertaking rooms yesterday afternoon. Burial was in King Hill Cemetery.

Date of death: 16 Jan 1917

Subject: Jeremiah Grider*

Source: *St. Joseph News-Press*, 17 Jan 1917, p. 7

Jerry Grider, widely known negro character of St. Joseph for twenty years, and the special friend of orphans of his race, died at 5 o'clock yesterday afternoon, after an illness of two weeks, at his home, 917 South Eighth street. He is survived by his wife and three step-children.

Jerry Grider was born in Boonville, Mo., sixty-six years ago and removed to Des Moines while he was a boy. He was a constable there at one time, after he became of age, and was one of the few negroes who affiliated with the Democrats in the Hawkeye state. He removed to St. Joseph thirty years ago and engaged in the following of chimney sweeping and kalsomining. He always took a great interest in homeless negro children and some years ago founded the Northwest colored Orphanage and Hospital Association. For several years he maintained a home on the Saxton road and another at Elwood, Kan., where the children were taught to farm and do other work. When he lost control of the institution he moved to the house on South Eighth street, where he continued to care for children and had six there at the time of his death. For several years Grider was probation officer of the juvenile court and the children in his care were wards of the court.

Grider had been married twice, and has a married daughter who lives in Des Moines. Arrangements for his funeral have not been completed.

Same

Source: *St. Joseph Gazette*, 17 Jan 1917, pp. 1 & 2

Jerry Grider is dead.

The negro philanthropist, friend of the friendless negro children, who devoted years to looking after the welfare of the neglected orphans of his race, succumbed to pneumonia fever at 5:30 o'clock yesterday at his home, 917 South Eighth street, after an illness of about two weeks.

Grider spent virtually all his time, and all the money he could earn as a chimney sweep during the last score of years, in taking care of little crippled and orphan negro children.

Grider established one home after another, losing one through debt, only to be ready with another place to take his orphans. At the time of his death he had five crippled and homeless children with him.

Grider is survived by a widow and her three children, Mrs. Frances Wells, Mrs. Bertha Watkins and William Enyart.

The funeral arrangements have not been completed. After the death of Grider yesterday his widow said that she would be glad to get assistance from any white friends, who had so liberally assisted her husband in his work with orphan children.

Grider was about 60 years old. He had lived in St. Joseph half his life, coming here from Des Moines, where he was active in the anti-liquor fight as a constable, and where his life was endangered many times.

After he came to St. Joseph he entered politics as a Democrat, and on account of his native ability, his hearty laugh, which could be heard for several blocks, and his insistence in mixing in public affairs, he soon became one of the characters of the city and he remained so until the time of his death.

It was several years after the Civil war before Grider knew that negroes were free. He was living in southern Missouri during the war and he continued to work for his master long after the war was over.

One summer evening Grider was down at the spring on the farm, just about dusk, when an old negro mammy came to him.

"You'se free, n---,"² said the woman in a mysterious manner.

"What's dat?" asked the young negro.

² The full word is used in the newspaper.

"Why, you don' belong to massa," explained the old woman.

That was the first Grider ever knew about the emancipation proclamation. It made a different person of him. He went to his master and asked him if the old women told the truth. The master said that she did. Grider asked why he had not been told before. His master said he intended to tell him some day. Grider demanded that he be paid for his services. His former master asked him to wait a while and he would do the right thing by him.

Grider remained, and his employer did treat him well and gave him what Grider considered a large amount of money, and helped him to make his own start. The master was still living a few years ago and Grider never appealed to him in vain. He always helped his former slave, who did now know he was a freed man.

The life of Grider was filled with excitement. He was made the target for bullets on more than one occasion and two years ago a ward of the juvenile court shot him in the back with a revolver, and for several days it was thought Grider would not live. This girl said that enemies of Grider, jealous of his success, had prompted her to try and kill him.

On one occasion, in Des Moines, an attempt was made to bribe Grider, who was after the blind tigers there. He was given \$500 or \$600 in cash. Then he was arrested for taking a bribe. His trial was called, but it was then that Grider's enemies had a great surprise. They found that immediately upon receiving the money Grider had gone to the judge of the court, told him the entire story and had turned the money over to him. The court himself produced the money and when no one claimed it turned it over to Grider.

It was shortly after that that Grider came to St. Joseph. He was "discovered" by a newspaper man named McCammon, and from that time Grider, "Democrat, kalsominer, ex-bridegroom" and what not was familiar with all newspaper readers of St. Joseph, and he later became known personally to thousands of people.

Grider founded half a dozen homes for orphan colored children. He had a home in Elwood, which was burned to the ground, but he rebuilt it and still had it at last accounts. He had control of a home near Saxton, where he was shot, later lost it, and only a few months ago regained control, and was intending to move his "orphan family" to it in the spring. He had been offered positions in other cities upon various occasions, but always refused them to stick to his orphanage here. When his institution was organized it was known as the Northwest Missouri Colored Orphanage and Hospital association, which it remained for years.

Usually Grider was in some controversy with the people of his own race. He was in law suits frequently over control of his institutions and a suit of this kind was pending at his death.

On one occasion Grider, who had been a probation officer for negro children, was told to surrender his ... He did so, and at the same time loaded his orphans in a wagon, ... them to the court house, lined them in front of the judge, and announced "There they is, your honoh." It is needless to say that Jerry got his ... again and that he was told to take his charges with him.

... weeks ago Grider had ... from New York Democratic negroes urging him to become a candidate for the appointment of minis... Grider had addressed... meeting of negro Democrats ... a few years since and ... his as an orator of ... man of common sense. ... urged for the place at ..., and many of ... he had a good

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Source: *St. Joseph News-Press*, 18 Jan 1917, p. 6

The funeral of Jerry Grider, the negro philanthropist who died Tuesday afternoon, will be conducted at the Third Street African Methodist Church, Third and Antoine streets, at 2 o'clock tomorrow afternoon, Pastor Nate Buren officiating. Burial will be in the city cemetery as Grider before his death had requested.

Date of death: 26 Jul 1906

Subject: August Griepell

Source: *St. Joseph Gazette*, 28 Jul 1906, p. 8

August Griepell, a farmer living at 1014 South Seventeenth street, was buried at 10 o'clock yesterday at the city cemetery. Death was caused by nephritis. He died at 10 o'clock Thursday morning. Mr. Griepell was 38 years old.

Date of death: 1 Apr 1918

Subject: Maude (Griggs) Schliemann

Source: *St. Joseph Gazette*, 2 Apr 1918, p. 6

Mrs. Maude Schliemann, 39 years old, died early yesterday morning at a hospital here from a wound in her throat, which is said to have been self-inflicted. The act was said to have been committed at the home of her brother-in-law, A. C. Baker, 2823 Monterey street, several days ago.

She was said to have been suffering from poor health for several months and this was thought to have affected her mind. She was found alone in her room with her throat cut. Then she was taken to Noyes hospital.

She is survived by her husband, J. L. Schlieman, and her sister, Mrs. A. C. Baker. The body was taken to Hennesley, Okla., yesterday for burial.

Date of death: 19 Apr 1901

Subject: Leonard C. Grooms

Source: *St. Joseph Gazette-Herald*, 20 Apr 1901, p. 5

Leonard C. Grooms of 1611 Seneca street, cutter at the Richardson-Roberts factory, died at 10 o'clock last night of hemorrhage smallpox in a virulent form. He was buried at midnight in the city cemetery.

He was taken sick Friday of last week but did not become violently ill until Monday. He leaves a wife and daughter and his mother lives with the family. None of them have taken the disease, but they have been quarantined. County Physician Tygart has been in charge of the case.

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Dr. Doyle Denounces Carelessness.

Danger of Epidemic

Date of death: 21 Jun 1906

Subject: Francis Marion Guinn

Source: *St. Joseph News-Press*, 23 Jun 1906, p. 1

Albany, Mo., June 23.—F. M. Gwinn [sic], a carpenter from Maryville, Mo., was found dead at the foot of a ladder in a barn he was building seventeen miles north of here shortly after noon yesterday. He had been dead some time when found.

Gwinn had been subject to heart trouble and it is thought that he fell from the ladder and died during an attack of the disease.

Date of death: 23 May 1908

Subject: Albert Losson Guthery (or Guthrie)

Source: *St. Joseph News-Press*, 23 May 1908, p. 1

The fourteen-months-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Guthrie, 806 Concord street, was drowned in a large pail of water about 12:15 o'clock today.

Mrs. Guthrie was out in the yard talking with a neighbor woman when the baby fell into a large lard pail, half full of water, which had been left on the back porch. The mother heard no outcry from the little one. When she entered the house a few minutes later a neighbor, John Dodd, went into the house on an errand, and found the child dead in the tub.

Dr. J. T. Stamey was summoned, but all attempts to resuscitate life were unavailing. Its little lungs were filled with water, and life was completely extinct before the baby was found.

The mother was frantic with grief. The father is a teamster, and he had not been located at a late hour this afternoon. The child which was drowned is the youngest of three children. The Guthries have lived here several years. The father and other relatives of Mr. Guthrie live at Savannah, Mo.