

William C. Becker

Occupant Name: William C. Becker

Location: **Section Q Lot 26**

Date of Birth: 2/28/1847

Date of Death: 1940

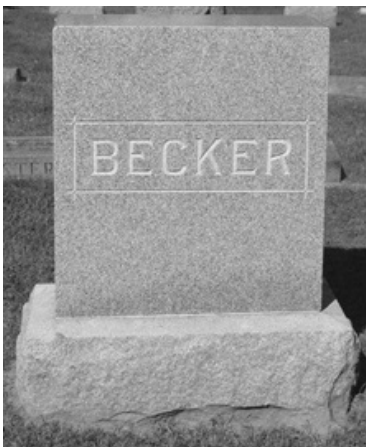
Date of Burial: 1940

Veteran: No

Lot Owner: W. Becker

Multiple Occupants: No

Comment:



DEATH REMOVES WM. C. BECKER

Ninety-Three-Year-Old Man Had
Been Resident of This County
Ninety Years.

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William C. Becker, age ninety-three, a resident of Jackson county for ninety years, died at the home on Brownstown R2 one and one-half miles northeast of Tampico, at 5:25 o'clock this morning. Death followed an illness of two weeks' duration with a complication of diseases.

Mr. Becker, who had been active in spite of his advanced age, doing manual labor such as sawing or cutting wood or shelling corn until his health began to fail recently, was born in Louisville, Ky., on February 28, 1847, the only son of Henry and Louise Smedigan Becker, both natives of Germany.

At the age of three years, he moved with his parents to Brownstown township and had since lived in this county. When he was eight years of age, his parents purchased the farm on which he resided in Grassy Fork township at the time of his death. He had lived on that farm for the past eighty-five years and had made a host of friends in that community.

Mr. Becker attended the Sauers School until he was fourteen years of age and then attended the Tampico High School. On June 6, 1877, Mr. Becker was married in Jackson county to Anna Regina Fogelding, who died on November 6, 1919.

Mr. Becker served as squire for four years and as assessor for the same number of years. He cast his first vote for Ulysses S. Grant for President. He was always greatly interested in religion and enjoyed talking about the Bible. He had been an active member of the Church of God for more than fifty years. Until recently, he had not required the services of a doctor since he was twelve years of age and never used tobacco or drank coffee. He read without using glasses but had been hard of hearing during the past few years. He followed the occupation of farming.

He is survived by six children: Miss Mary Becker, of Jackson county; Mrs. Elizabeth Schnuck, of Atlanta, Ga.; Miss Matilda Becker, Charles Becker, and Mrs. Rose Waskom, all of Jackson county, and Mrs. Emma Terry, of Fernwood, Miss. Seven grandchildren and two great grandchildren also survive.

Funeral arrangements have not been made pending word from his daughters in the southern states.