

F AIRVIEW CEMETERY • BROWNSTOWN, INDIANA

Hamlin Smith

Occupant Name: Hamlin Smith

Location: Section C

Date of Birth: 4/15/1838

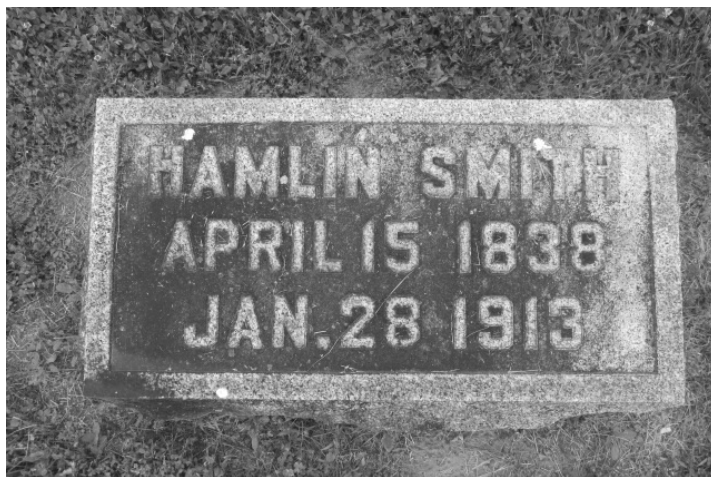
Date of Death: 1/28/1913

Date of Burial: 1913

Veteran: No

Multiple Occupants: No

Comment:



PLACE OF DEATH		Indiana State Board of Health.	
County of <i>Franklin</i>		286	
Township of <i>Brownstown</i>		CERTIFICATE OF DEATH.	
City of <i>Brownstown</i>			
FULL NAME <i>Hamlin Smith</i>		Registered No. <i>100113</i>	
PERSONAL AND STATISTICAL PARTICULARS		MEDICAL CERTIFICATE OF DEATH	
SEX <i>Male</i>	COLOR <i>White</i>	DATE OF DEATH <i>Jan 28 1913</i>	
AGE <i>74 years 9 months 13 days</i>	DATE OF BIRTH <i>April 15 1838</i>	I HEREBY CERTIFY, That I attended deceased from <i>Dec 24 1912 to Jan 25 1913</i>	
MARRIAGE HISTORY <i>married</i>	WIFE'S NAME <i>Mary Jane Smith</i>	and that I saw a <i>check with a pencil</i> <i>1913</i>	
PLACE OF BIRTH <i>Indiana</i>	CAUSE OF DEATH <i>Infected Leucorrhoea</i>	The CAUSE OF DEATH was as follows:	
PLACE OF DEATH <i>South Carolina</i>	PERIOD OF ILLNESS <i>few years</i>	<i>40</i>	
RELIGION <i>Methodist</i>	PREVIOUS ILLNESS <i>Stroke</i>	A. D.	
EDUCATION <i>Common School</i>	PROFESSION <i>Physician</i>	No. of DEATHS	
USUAL OCCUPATION <i>Physician</i>	EDUCATIONAL QUALIFICATION <i>Ph.D.</i>	No. of BIRTHS	
DECEASED BY <i>George B. Baker</i>	DATE OF DEATH <i>Jan 28 1913</i>		
REPORTED BY <i>George B. Baker</i>	DATE OF BIRTH <i>1838</i>		
SIGNATURE <i>George B. Baker</i>	CITY <i>Brownstown</i>		
DATE <i>Jan 31 1913</i>	COUNTY <i>Franklin</i>		

DR. HAMLIN SMITH.

Death of a Well Known and Prominent Citizen.

Dr. Hamlin Smith, whose critical condition was mentioned last week, died at his home in Brownstown, Tuesday, January 28, 1913, about 11 o'clock a. m. after several weeks' illness of complication of diseases, aged 74 years, nine months and 13 days.

He was one of the most prominent and best known citizens of his town and county, having been connected with many of the public movements here in his earlier days.

It was the writer's good fortune to have known him since early childhood, having spent almost as much time with his family as in our own home, and the recollection of those happy days is still fresh in our memory, when we learned to love and respect him almost as a father. He was a man of excellent habits, fine moral character and most generous impulses. His kindness and fidelity to those near and dear to him by the ties of kindred and friendship, often called forth the most favorable comment.

In his death another name is stricken from the ever lessening roll of our old settlers, whose honorable and upright lives have won for them the highest respect and esteem of all with whom they come in contact.

Deceased was born at Paoli, Orange county, Ind., April 15, 1838. His father, Giles C. Smith, was a Methodist minister, who traveled much throughout the state as a circuit rider.

He received a thorough common school education, and attended Moores Hill college, where he studied medicine and in the meantime attended lectures at the Ohio Medical College at Cincinnati.

After completing his medical education he located at Freetown, this county, in October, 1860, and there practiced his profession two years after which he moved to Heltonsville, Lawrence county, remaining there six months.

Dr. Smith came to Brownstown in May, 1863, and purchased Z. B. Short's drug store and continued in the drug business (at the same stand now occupied by O. R. Emerson) until 1877, when he sold out to J. B. Burrell. He was also agent at this place for the Adams Express Co. from 1865 to 1877, when he resigned the position. He was appointed Deputy U. S. Revenue Collector for this county in 1864, serving as such for two years. In 1870 he was appointed Deputy U. S. Marshal to take census of three townships.

In March, 1876, he moved to Hamilton township, where he engaged in the farming and saw mill business until August, 1882, when he moved to Richmond, where he engaged in the boot and shoe business. He only remained in that business a few months when he sold out and removed to Brownstown, where he again engaged in the saw mill and lumber business for a number of years.

He served as postmaster at this place eleven years, being first appointed by President McKinley, and it was while he was postmaster that this office was changed from a fourth-class to a presidential office.

Dr. Smith was married twice, his first marriage being to Mrs. Phoebe A. Cummings, nee Benton, April 4, 1865. A few years ago, in order to be nearer their children, they moved to Indianapolis, where his first wife died December 23, 1910, after being an invalid for a number of years. To this union were born three children, two daughters and one son, one daughter dying in infancy. His second marriage was to Mrs. Nancy Jane Queen October 11, 1911, who survives him.

He is also survived by one son and one daughter—Giles Smith and Mrs. Eva Schaub, of Indianapolis, and one sister, Mrs. Matilda Curtis, of Columbus. He also leaves four step-children, whom he thought as much of as his own, viz: Mrs. Emma Browning, of this place, Mrs. Hattie Scott, George and John Cummings, of Indianapolis.

The funeral services will be conducted at the Christian church Thursday afternoon at one o'clock under the auspices of F. & A. M. Lodge No. 13, Rev. E. H. Elmore, pastor of the Baptist church, officiating, after which the remains will be laid to rest in Fairview cemetery.