

Byford E. Long

Occupant Name: Byford E. Long

Location: Section E

Date of Birth: 12/27/1840

Date of Death: 10/24/1913

Date of Burial: 1912

Veteran: Yes

Multiple Occupants: No

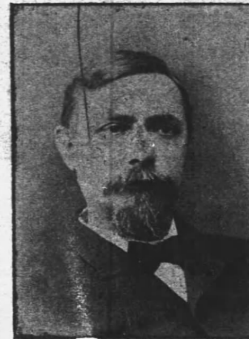
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CAPT. B. E. LONG.

Death of One of Jackson County's Prominent Citizens.

Capt. B. E. Long, whose serious sickness has been mentioned in these columns, died at his home in Brownstown, Friday morning, October 24, 1913, about four o'clock, of dropsy and complication of diseases, aged 72 years, 9 months and 27 days.



Deceased was among the pioneer residents of Brownstown and one of the most prominent citizens of the county.

From early manhood he became prominently identified with public affairs in the county and in the practice of his profession as a lawyer was recognized as one of the leading attorneys at the Jackson county bar.

He held many positions of honor and trust, in which he proved himself faithful, efficient and honest in the discharge of his duties, ever holding the confidence of the public in general. He was a practical matter-of-fact man, who united sound judgment with strong convictions, which so eminently fitted him for his life work, both in a public and professional way.

He enjoyed a large acquaintance over the county and elsewhere and was held in high esteem by a large circle of friends. He was a kind husband and indulgent father and the family and sorrowing relatives have the sympathy of a large number of friends in their bereavement.

Byford Ernest Long, eldest son of Daniel H. and Sarah A. Long, was born at Charlestown, Ind., December 27, 1840. He came to Brownstown with his parents in 1844, where he has since resided.

When a young man he became experienced in clerical work by assisting his father at odd times as deputy in the clerk's office, and also worked for four years as a printer in a newspaper office.

After completing his common school education, he entered Indiana University, from which he graduated in 1861 in the classical course with the degree of Master of Arts. On February 11, 1862, he was admitted as an attorney to practice law in the Jackson Circuit Court.

At the beginning of the Civil War he organized a company of soldiers, of which he was commissioned Captain, Company E, 67th Regt. Indiana Volunteers, of which Judge Frank Emerson, deceased, was the colonel. He served three years in the war, from 1862 to 1865, and often acted as Major, and during the Red River campaign as colonel. After his discharge he returned home, and the same year was appointed school examiner of Jackson county, an office similar to that of county superintendent, which he held one term.

In 1866 he entered the practice of

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law and since that time until declining health compelled him to retire a year or so ago, the firm of Long & Long was recognized as one of the leading law firms in Jackson and adjoining counties. He first began to practice his profession as a junior member of the firm composed of his father, Daniel H. Long, and Judge Ralph Applewhite, the firm then being known as "Long, Applewhite & Long." Later Judge Applewhite retired from the firm, and Captain Long and his father continued the practice under the firm of Long & Long, until the death of the father in 1876, after which Captain Long took in as a partner his brother, Daniel H. (Duck) Long, which partnership continued until the latter was elected prosecuting attorney in 1898.

In 1890 Capt. Long was elected clerk of the circuit court of this county, serving two terms from February 24, 1892, until February 24, 1900. He then re-engaged in the practice of law in Brownstown, taking his son, Byford E. Long, Jr., who served as his father's deputy in the clerk's office, as his partner. They resumed the firm name of Long & Long and continued in the practice until the failing health of the father compelled him to give up active practice, as above stated, and the son devoted his entire time to his duties as private secretary of Senator Shively, which he still holds.

Deceased was united in marriage to Mary Louise Gosslee, of London, Ohio, in 1868, who preceded him to the grave January 29, 1891. To their union were born nine children, six of whom are still living, viz: Mrs. Inez Wagstaff and Byford Ernest, Jr., of Brownstown; Mrs. Florence Crawford, of Greencastle; Clarence Richard, of Nashville, Tenn.; Paris Gosslee and Lee, of Indianapolis. On September 29, 1905, he was united in marriage to Lorena M. Louden, who with their little daughter, Beulah Ernestine, survives him.

Deceased also leaves three sisters, and one brother, viz: Mrs. Emma Kyle, of Chicago; Mrs. Ida Haas, of New Point, Ind.; Mrs. Laura T. Lucas, of this place, and Ross, of Pendleton.

There are also eight surviving grandchildren, five boys and three girls.

The funeral services, which were largely attended, were held at the family residence in Brownstown, Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock, Rev. L. V. Rule, pastor of the Presbyterian church, officiating, after which the remains were laid to rest in Fairview cemetery.

