

Lifelong Resident, Veteran Marshal Taken By Death

American Fork paid last respects to a lifelong resident and a prominent citizen, William E. Duncan, at funeral services Monday afternoon in the Second ward chapel.

Mr. Duncan died Friday at his home here, following a three-months illness. He was 81.

Mr. Duncan was born at American Fork on August 15, 1858, a son of John and Eliza Bowman Duncan, who were pioneer settlers of the community. He married Mary Harrington, a daughter of American Fork's first mayor and bishop, Leonard E. Harrington, on January 11, 1880.

Mr. Duncan had been prominent in civic affairs in this city, serving 23 years as night marshal of American Fork. In this position he served faithfully and well. He became known as one to fulfill his duties without fear, and on numerous occasions his bravery served him well in apprehending violators of the law.

He also was employed for a number of years by a drug company and a power company, as watchman.

A lifelong resident of American Fork, he was the city's oldest native-born citizen.

He is survived by his wife, seven sons and daughters, Mrs. Eliza Russell, Leonard E. Duncan, Mrs. Millie Prince, Mrs. Ina Murphy, and Mrs. Florence Whitehead, all of Salt Lake City; Mrs. Velma Willis of Seattle, Washington, and Professor Delbert J. Duncan of Chicago; 13 grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

Bishop Joseph H. Storrs officiated at the funeral services, in the Second ward chapel. The opening number was a violin solo by Maxine Taylor, accompanied by Mildred Richards. Clyde P. Crookston offered the invocation. This was followed by a vocal solo, "That Silver-Haired Daddy of Mine", by Ray Shelley, accompanied by Mrs. Mary Humphries.

Speakers were Lot Robinson, J. Stanley Peters and Bishop Storrs.

Following a vocal solo, "Farewell", by Mrs. Clifford E. Young, accompanied by Mariam Young, James T. Gardner pronounced the benediction.

The grave in the American Fork cemetery was dedicated by Leonard S. Harrington.