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Rev. J. P. Pritchard

Reverend J. P. Pritchard, who died at the residence of his son, William Pritchard, February 11, 1890, was born in English parents in Charleston, South Carolina, September 1806. During his infancy his parents returned to London, England, where he remained until his tenth year, when he returned, an orphan, to America. In his twenty-second year he was married to Miss Eliza Henderson, of Charlotte, North Carolina, with whom he lived happily until her death, September 29, 1880. Soon after his marriage he made a profession of religion and joined with the Baptist Church, of which he was a member until his death. More than fifty years he was a faithful minister of the gospel. He moved to Texas in the year 1854; one year later he came to Houston County. He served the Crockett church as pastor a number of years, besides a number of other churches in this and Leon County. Notwithstanding he was more than 83 years of age, he continued to preach occasionally until his sickness. Six children of 13 survive their father of whom are, Mrs. John Miller, Mrs. Henry Leaverton, Mr. William Pritchard, Miss Tidy Pritchard, of Crockett, Mrs. Lummy Pritchard, pastor of First Baptist Church, Wilmington, North Carolina.