

GENERAL GATEWOOD DEAD

GENERAL A.C.L. GATEWOOD, a galant Confederate Veteran of the Civil War of the sixties, died at his home at Linwood, Pocahantas County, Friday night, August 1st, 1919 aged 76 years. Death came as no surprise to his friends as he had been in bad health for many months. On the following Monday his body was laid to rest in Varner Graveyard near his home, after a funeral service conducted by Rev. O.N.Miles of the Presbyterian Church. For many years Gen. Gatewood has been a prominent, yet a modest and unpretentious, citizen of Pocahantas County moving from Bath County, Virginia where, from colonial days, his family had been widely known and prominent. He is survived by his wife, who is a daughter of the late Judge James W. Warwick, of Warm Springs; four sons, Eugene, Massie, William, and Andrew Gatewood, and one daughter Mrs. John Dunlap. Another daughter Mr. W. T. Cameron, preceeded her father to the grave a few years ago.

At the outbreak of the war, Col. Gatewood was in school at W.M.I. He immediately volunteered in the service of the Sate of Virginia, and was made an officer of the Bath Squadron, 11th Virginia Cavalry. Being a natural leader of men he rose rapidly, and rendered distinguished service. Nearly forty years after the war the V.M.I. presented him with the diploma which the war prevented him from receiving.

He was at first Adjutant General with the rank of Colonel and subsequently and at the time of his death Brigadier-General in the post bellum Confederate organization of the State. As a soldier he measuréd up to the highest standard and as a man and citized he held the confidence and high regard of all. In religion he held to the Presbyterian faith of his fathers. May he rest in peace with Lee and Jackson under the shade of the trees.

(THIS WAS FOUND IN THE SCRAP BOOK OF JOHN BAILEY HARLAN WHO AS A CHILD LIVED IN A LOG CABIN ON COL. GATEWOOD'S FARM. JOHN'S FATHER WAS THOMAS S. HARLAN AND HIS GRANDFATHER WAS JAMES WHITE HARLAN WHO DIED ON COL. GATEWOOD'S FARM AND IS BURIED IN COL. GATEWOOD GRAVEYARD. JAMES W. HARLAN DIED DEC. 15, 1870. HE AND HIS SON THOMAS HARLAN MOVED TO MOUNTAIN GROVE, VIRGINIA AFTER THE CIVIL WAR.)