

## 1849 William Evans 1925

Mr. Evans always took a great interest in civic affairs and was for a number of years the head of the Monrovia Realty Board and also secretary of the Chamber of Commerce. He bought and sold a great number of pieces of business realty in the city and was at all times an active and enthusiastic partisan of the City of Monrovia, and worked unceasingly for its up-building.

**"The Genial Judge"**

Judge Evans was known to every man, woman and child in the city on account of his kindly nature. He had a custom which was unique in the city of greeting every stranger with a hand grasp and a kindly word of welcome to the city. This friendly office he performed to those whom he had never formally met as well as to others. His procession along the street was one of continual hand-shaking. He was always dressed in immaculate white with a pink flower as a boutonniere and was a very familiar figure upon our streets.

Few people in any town are so happily favored as to be able to claim as many friends among the general populace as W. H. Evans and during his illness a host of them made continual inquiries as to the progress of his condition.

Mrs. W. H. Evans passed away in Monrovia in 1904 and ever since that event Mr. Evans had made his home with his son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. George O. Monroe.

**Funeral Tomorrow**

The deceased left surviving, his daughter, Mrs. George O. Monroe, and his son, William H. Evans, Jr., of Los Angeles, and two grand children, Merton K. Monroe, son of Mr. and Mrs. George O. Monroe, and George H. Evans, son of William H. Evans, Jr.

Funeral services will be held tomorrow, Thursday, at 3 o'clock p. m., at the Renaker Chapel, the Rev. H. H. Hulten, pastor of the First Baptist Church, officiating. Mrs. B. T. Dyer, daughter of W. N. Monroe, will render two vocal solos. Interment will be at Live Oaks Cemetery.

The pall bearers will be: C. P. Carpenter, H. S. Beaman, C. A. Sargent, George M. Blake, W. F. Dunn and W. A. Chess.

**PIONEER RESIDENT PASSES**

In the death last night of Judge William H. Evans Monrovia loses one of her best known pioneer residents. Judge Evans came to Monrovia in 1887 and never left the city. He was in turn secretary of the Chamber of Commerce, city clerk, city treasurer and at all times an ardent admirer of Monrovia.