

Wilkie Payne

RUSSEVILLE—Wilkie Payne, 74, Russiaville R.R. 2, died at Howard Community Hospital Wednesday at 12:20 a.m. following six years' illness.

Born in Hot Springs, N. C., June 27, 1889, he was the son of Joel Jeptha and Ammoretta (Henderson) Payne.

On Feb. 16, 1916, he was married to Effie Johnson, who survives.

He was a member of the Russiaville Methodist Church, and was a farmer.

Surviving with the widow are three sons, John Robert Payne, Crawfordsville; James Albert Payne and William (Billy) Joe Payne, both of Russiaville; two daughters, Mrs. Rosemary Carter and Mrs. John (Patricia) Pruett, both of Russiaville; three sisters, Mrs. Mary Parker, Springport; Mrs. Ed Smelter, Forest and Mrs. Kenneth Kirkpatrick, Battle Creek, Mich.

Other survivors include three brothers, Armstrong Payne, Forest; Herbert Payne, Riverside, Calif.; and Lloyd Payne, Arizona; 18 grandchildren and one great-grandchild. One sister is deceased.

Funeral services will be at 3 p.m. Friday in the Methodist Church in Russiaville with the Rev. Dale Milner officiating.

Friends may call at the Stout and Son Funeral Home after 4 p.m. Thursday. The body will lie in state at the church for one hour preceding the services.

Burial will be in New London Cemetery.

Friends are asked to contribute to the Cancer Fund.