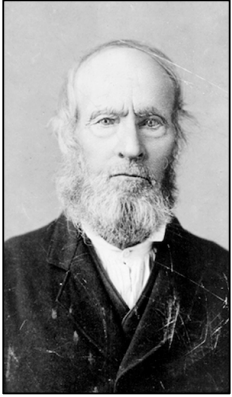


Rev. John Henry Harper



Birth date February 17, 1814
Location Lincoln County, Tennessee
Death Date April 27, 1891
Jennings Chapel Cemetery
Wives [Elizabeth \(Eliza\) Bennis Harper](#)
[Sarah Leslie Day Harper](#)
Mother Nancy Lloyd Harper
Father Samuel Harper
Siblings Martha, John Henry, William Dawson, Elizabeth, Samuel Allen, McMillian, Nancy Ann and James Walker

Death of Rev. J.H. Harper

Rev. John H. Harper, departed this life April 27th, 1891. ...The great day has come. The old lovely chapel is gone. No vestige of it remains, but the new chapel is a lineal descendant of the lovely old chapel, and first meeting held in the new chapel, was the 4th Sunday in last November. There was a crowd. Brother Harper preached the first sermon from the text, "Almost Thou Persuadest Me to Be a Christian," and many will long remember the first sermon in the new church and the last sermon by the subject of this sketch. Brother Harper was as true to the policy of the Methodist-Protestant Church as the needle to the pole, as firm as the everlasting hills. The brother dies, but leaves an influence behind him that survives. The echoes of his words are evermore repeated, and reflected down the ages. Just here let the writer say, the brother with whom we took sweet council is removed visible from the outward eye, "but the lessons that he taught, the grand sentiments that he entered, the holy deeds of generosity by which he was characterized, the moral lineaments and likeness of the brother still survives and appear in the silence of eventide, on the tables of memory, and in the light of morn and noon and dewy eve." And being dead he yet speaks eloquently, and in the midst of us. Brother Harper was married the second time to Mrs. Sarah M. Day, who still survives him. He leaves six children, three sons and three daughters, and a large number of friends and relatives mourn their loss. Brother Harper was laid to rest in Jennings Chapel Cemetery.

Additional Information **Children** Mary Thompson Harper Smith (1849-1925)
Married to Eliza Bennis 11-10-1847
Married to Sarah Lesley Day 11-27-1865
David Samuel Harper (1850-1925)
Bloomington Turner Harper (1853-1928)
Orpah Anne Harper Crimm (1854-1929)
Nancy Jane Harper (1856-1857)
Martha Eliza Harper Montgomery (1857-1935)
Infant Son Harper (1859-1859)

