

# E. M. BACKUS PASSES AWAY

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## Esteemed Old Resident Answers Final Call At Home In This City Following Illness

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General expressions of regret were voiced on every hand Tuesday morning when it was learned that E. M. Backus had passed to the great beyond during the night. While Mr. Backus had been ill with pneumonia a short time ago, he had passed the crisis and all were pleased to hear that he was recovering and hoped to see him out and round on our streets again.

Hardening of the arteries, due to his age, was responsible for Mr. Backus' death and his passing was no great surprise to the children, who were aware that he was far from a complete recovery.

E. M. Backus was one of those men whom everybody liked and who had a kind and cheery word for all whom he met. His noble character endeared him to all and he will be missed. Funeral services will be held this afternoon at Calvary United Evangelical church, Rev. W. N. Fulcomer officiating, and interment will be in the Townsend cemetery.