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Born at _____, Kentucky, October 1, 1843.

Son of Julius and Celia (Powell) Sanders.

Married, Mrs. Lorena Arnold at _____ on _____,
18____, who was born in Tennessee about 1842.

Children, Charles, Ernest, Dolly (Mrs. Charles Haley), and two step-sons,
Edward A. and Judson Arnold.

Moved with his parents to Illinois when he was a small child and later went with them to Colorado; first came to Arizona in 1863; listed, Territorial Census, April, 1864, with his parents, age 20, born in Kentucky, resident in Arizona 2 weeks, occupation - Farmer; U.S. Census, 1870, at Prescott, A.T., with his parents, age 25, born in Kentucky, occupation - Farmer, property valued at \$600; U.S. Census, 1880, at Phoenix, A.T., age 37, born in Kentucky; the Prescott Journal Miner gave this account of his life at the time he passed away:

Mr. Sanders was one of the earliest arrivals in this section, coming in March, 1864, and locating on the identical piece of land where he passed away, and which during all these years has been his home. With his brother, T.D. Sanders, the younger son, he was sent by his father to make an investigation of this section, which he did, arriving in the fall of 1863, returning with a favorable report of the possibilities of the new country. The entire family then packed their effects and started on the long and tiresome journey, reaching what is now Prescott early the following year.

The arrival of the family created much interest, Mary Sanders, a daughter (the late Mrs. Sam Miller), being the first white girl who had ever set foot on the soil of Yavapai County. The old home, that still stands, was located for the reason that it had a fine flowing spring and was desirable for agricultural purposes.

Later the deceased followed freighting, and while so engaged met with an accident in his pistol being accidentally discharged, that compelled him to abandon heavy manual labor. The bullet crashed through the upper portion of his chest, and from that day through the many years that have passed, he has never had the full use of his left arm.

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News of the demise of this good man will be read with expressions of sorrow, closing as it does, the earthly career of a pioneer that was characterized by honorable dealings with all, and a fellowship that gave him many friends wherever he was known.

Died at Prescott, Yavapai County, A.T., November 15, 1910, aged 67.

Buried, Miller Valley Cemetery, near Prescott.

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

Arizona Vital Statistics -- File No. 199.

Probate Court of Yavapai County, A.T., -- Docket No. 962.

The Prescott Courier, November 19, 8:3 and November 26, 1910, 8:2 (obituary).

The Journal-Miner, Prescott, November 17 and November 22, 1910, 3:4 (obituary)