

# URQUIDES, FERNANDO

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URQUIDES, FERNANDO, born in Spain about 1816; married Jesus Ramirez at Tucson in 1855, who was born there about 1836; their 3 sons were Hilario, Epifanio and Natividad.

Came from Spain to Mexico on a voyage across the Atlantic which lasted for 3 months; arrived in Tucson with his brother, Epifanio, in 1854; became a merchant and freighter who, as shown by his will, owned 24 yokes of oxen, 3 mules and 3 horses with two freight wagons valued at \$300 each; in addition he had an iron axle cart worth \$100, and one with a wooden axle valued at \$50; he also cultivated some land north of Tucson where he had 39 hogs; that he obtained and hauled his own goods from the Colorado River is indicated by an acknowledgment in his will that he owed \$2,639 to Jesus Redondo of Fort Yuma.

His estate consisted of a stock of merchandise and personal property which was disposed of at auction for \$5,721; a house and lot in Tucson sold to William Zeckendorf for \$3,800; book accounts amounting to \$4,416, the principal debtors being Sacramento Granillo, \$1,244, Francis M. Hodges, 765, Jesus Armente, \$583, Francisco Martinez, 235, Alex Levin, \$200 and Charles O. Brown, 186; the report of the Administrator shows that \$500 was paid to Granville H. Oury as attorney for the estate, \$443 to John S. Thayer as auctioneer, \$270 to Doctors Charles H. Lord and Edward Phelps for medical attendance, and \$175 for funeral expenses.

Listed, U. S. Census, 1860, at Tucson, age 45, occupation Merchant, property valued at \$4,000; Territorial Census, 1864, at Tucson, age 48, married, resident in Arizona 10 years,

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occupation - Merchant, died at Tucson, Pima County, A.T.,  
December 6, 1868.

After the death of his father when he was 11 years old,  
his son, HILARIO (Larry) URQUIDES, born at Tucson, \_\_\_\_\_,  
1857, was raised in the family of James Lee, an uncle by marriage;  
about 18\_\_ he established the Occidental Hotel on Meyer Street  
which became the leading hostelry in Tucson and was the stage  
depot; in later life he served as Constable, Deputy Sheriff and  
Jailer of Pima County; was City Park Superintendent and had been  
an employee of the City of Tucson for 20 years prior to his death  
which occurred on November 18, 1928, aged 71; he married Mariana  
Legarra, on \_\_\_\_\_ - 18 . , and their children were Fernando,  
Carlos, Edwardo, Frecia (Mrs. Armando R. Ares) and Maria (Mrs.  
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## SOURCES OF INFORMATION

Probate Court of Pima County - Docket No. 38.  
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Hotel advertisement).