

REV. R. H. HIPPS DIES AT WHEEL

SUCCUMBS TO HEART ATTACK NEAR HOT SPRINGS

The Rev. R. H. Hipps, well known Buncombe County minister, dropped dead shortly before 1 o'clock Thursday in the automobile he was driving from his farm in Spring Creek, Madison County, to Asheville. Mr. Hipps, accompanied by a school boy, Buren Coward, were driving along a narrow road on the Spring Creek highway, about five miles from Hot Springs. Coward said Mr. Hipps turned to him and remarked about the narrowness of the road and then slumped over dead. The boy stopped the car before it had a chance to run off its course. A heart attack was believed to be the cause of his death.

Mr. Hipps had been a Baptist minister in many churches throughout Buncombe county and western North Carolina. He was born on Spring Creek, and was 69 years old.

He is survived by his widow, and three sons, Dr. A. T. Hipps, and W. H. Hipps, an attorney, both of Asheville, and the Rev. J. B. Hipps, dean of Shanghai (China) College, a missionary institution.

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WAS BURIED AT GREEN HILL

Final rites for Rev. R. H. Hipps, 69-year-old Baptist minister, of Buncombe County, who died suddenly at the steering wheel of his automobile Thursday will be held from the First Baptist Church this morning at 11 o'clock.

Rev. R. J. Bateman, pastor, and Rev. Fred F. Brown, pastor of the First Baptist Church of Knoxville, will officiate. Interment will be in Green Hill Cemetery.

The active pallbearers will be G. D. Carter, B. A. Patton, Roy F. Ebbs, J. P. Kitchin, J. W. Neely, and J. H. Grogg.

Honorary pallbearers will be Prof. R. L. Moore, Gallatin Roberts, C. H. Bartlett, G. F. Stradley, J. Q. McGuire, J. G. Stickleather, Owen Gudger, Dr. H. G. Brookshire, D. A. Bright, Warren Davis, Matt Burlison, and J. T. Roberts.

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