

CALLED HOME.

**The Grim Reaper Takes From Our Midst
One of South Bend's Oldest and Most
Respected Residents.**

Jacob Stover, one of the very oldest residents of this city and county, died this morning just at the striking of the hour of 2 o'clock, at the residence of his son, Hon. Geo. H. Stover, at 816 East Jefferson street. He had been ailing since the holidays, but regained his strength and was able to visit relatives about the city. He was able to be around until Monday forenoon and on all sides he received a most cordial greeting from his many friends who were pleased to see him again in seeming robust health for one of his advanced years. Owing to an obstruction of the bladder he had to submit to an operation, and death came at the hour mentioned.

Jacob Stover was born in Botetout county, Virginia, April 20, 1807, and was one of a family of nine sons and five daughters. Of these Ex-Councilman David Stover, of this city; William Stover, of Virginia and Mrs. Kitty Huff, near this city, alone survive. Mr. Stover came to St. Joseph county in the fall of 1850. He farmed for a long time in Clay township and lived for a short time at LaPorte where two daughters died the

first year after coming to this county. Mr. Stover lived in this city until about twenty years ago when his wife died and he went to farming in Clay township. About four years ago he returned to South Bend where he had since resided. He was twice married. Of the eight children born to him George H., of this city; Frank and Wm. C. of Fort Collins, Colorado, alone survive.

Jacob Stover was a splendid type of a well preserved patriarch, enjoying a and with long snowy beard and silvered hair, he also had one of the most kindly faces. Mr. Stover was a consistent Christian and a member of the Baptist church. In early life he was captain in the Virginia militia. He voted for Andrew Jackson for president, of which fact he was very proud, and was one of four or five surviving original Jacksonian Democrats in this city, Jacob Ritter, Jacob M. Shimp and Daniel Roof, sr., being nearly all that remain of the "Old Guard." There was no faltering in his Democracy nor was there any swerving in Jacob Stover's adherence to the highest principles of good citizenship. He will be greatly missed by the host of friends won by his geniality and uprightness of life. Peace to his ashes.

The funeral will take place Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock from the First Baptist church, Rev. A. B. Chaffee officiating. There will be no services at the residence.