

NAME

Asa Bennett Alderman

Feb. 1, 1848

Son of
AncestryOwen Alderman &
Brilla Bennett.

Married

b.

d.

Ancestry

Died about 1880

Record

Pender County

Died in young manhood -
Laboring in Onslow County.

See

~~Asa Alderman~~~~Obit 1883~~~~17 Jan 1889~~

File No.

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. . . .Letter from Moore's Creek, asking for ordination of Bro. A. B. Alderman, was taken from the table. A motion was made and carried to appoint a presbytery to examine Bro. Alderman, and ordain to full work of the gospel ministry if found qualified.

EASTERN BAPTIST ASSOCIATION MINUTES, 1879, p. 7
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REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE:

. . . .Elder Asa B. Alderman has been employed by us, laboring all his time in the destitute field in Onslow county. . . .

EASTERN BAPTIST ASSOCIATION MINUTES, 1880, p. 7

(In the 1880 minutes A. B. Alderman is listed as pastor of Union Chapel, Rose Hill, and Salem Baptist churches)

DIED

ALDERMAN---Owen Alderman, Sr., was born March 5th, 1810. March 5th, 1893, while at dinner, given in celebration of his eighty third birthday, he was stricken with paralysis, and four days later, March 9th, entered into the rest that remains for the people of God.

In some respects Mr. Alderman was a remarkable man. The writer recalls a most impressive personality--a man of strong convictions, great nervous force, enthusiastic in all his undertakings, wonderfully retentive memory, rare conversational powers and speaking ability. Strength and symmetry we think of in connection with his character. A friend writes of him, "He was an old-fashioned gentleman, who was honest and honorable in all his dealings, charitable and courteous with his fellow men, and who went to his rest followed by the reverent sorrow of all who knew him."

Over sixty years ago he gave his heart to the Saviour and united with the Baptist church. He served as deacon fifty-five years, and until recent years was prominently identified with Christian work within his Association.

In the summer of '86 he lost his wife, and only daughter, their deaths occurring only a month apart. After this double bereavement the infirmities of old age came on apace, becoming more and more apparent to those who loved him. The last few years he was blind. In the eventime it was not light to him, but his soul was filled with sunshine, his faith grew stronger, his inner spiritual life brighter. Bereavement and suffering produced a purity and mellowness of character, and a ripening of Christian graces, until at last he was like a sheaf of golden grain ready for the harvest.

He leaves five sons to mourn his loss, to cherish his memory, and to imitate the excellencies of his Christian character.

A FRIEND.

OBITUARY.

Died on Black River in N. Hanover co., on the 31st of August last, after an illness of 7 or 8 days, Mrs. Arabella Alderman, aged 27 years, consort of Mr. Owen Alderman, and daughter of Mrs. Arabella Corbett. About 12 hours afterwards Loftin Alderman, her only son about 1 year and 10 months old. Thus was our dear brother, in a few short hours, bereft of one whom he esteemed, "His better half, his dearer life," and his only child, the son of his love, by the ruthless hand of death.--Little did he think that the happiness they enjoyed together in the service of their Lord and Master, and their endeavors to render each other blest in all the concerns of life, (for their hopes and aims seemed to be one) would so soon end. And as little no doubt did he suspect, that his darling boy, the joy of both their hearts, would so soon follow his mother through the valley of the shadow of death.--

But,

"A worm unseen lay at the root,
and smote the lovely stem,
before he got the promis's fruit,
The tender plant was slain."

How short-lived and uncertain are all earthly enjoyments.

Sister Alderman had been a member of the Baptist church about 4 years. She was a loving and affectionate wife, a tender mother, and beloved neighbor--lived a very exemplary life, was truly ornamental to the christian religion, and highly respected by all her acquaintances. She bore her last sickness with christian-like patience and resignation. Her faith in the Saviour was firm and unshaken to the last: she felt no doubt; but on the contrary, a well grounded hope of her acceptance with God, through the beloved; and thus fell asleep, we have reason to believe, in the arms of the blessed redeemer, "Blessed are the dead that die in the Lord." Besides her disconsolate husband, a fond mother, one brother and sister, and numerous relatives and friends, are left to grieve on account of her short stay in this world, her early departure from time to eternity. Yet they need not sorrow as those who have no hope. "For if we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so, them which sleep in Jesus, will God bring with him."

IN MEMORIAM

Five weeks since we announced the death of sister Brilla Alderman, the beloved wife of Deacon Owen Alderman, of Moore's Creek, Pender county, N. C. And, on the 8th inst. we buried her only daughter, Miss Belle Alderman, who died at her home one the morning of the 7th inst., in the 40th year of her age. Miss Belle was baptized by the writer 22 years ago, and she joined the church at Moore's Creek, in the fellowship of which she remained until the day of her death. She was a lady of most excellent qualities of both head and heart, and she manifested the chirstian graces in all the walks of life. She loved the church, its ordinances, its work, its worship and its godly membership. It was her joy to contribute to all the charities of the church, and she never lost an opportunity of doing good in the cause of her Master, or for the relief of suffering humanity. She was modest, refined and pleasant in her manners, and ever sought to make those around her comfortable and happy. In her death her aged father and five noble brothers have sustained a great loss, while the church and community have been sorely afflicted. A true and noble woman, a faithful servant of the Lord has gone from earth to join the angelic hosts above. Sainted mother, lovely daughter, your rest in heaven will be sweet. May God in his mercy comfort the hearts of the surviving members of the family.

W. M. KENNEDY.

Warsaw, N. C., July 17, 1886

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REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON OBITUARIES

. . . .It is also our painful duty to announce the death of Elder Asa B. Alderman, cut down in his youthful prime; just as he had entered upon his Master's work. He united with Moore's Creek Church early in life, and he ever afterward exhibited the meek and lowly spirit. He was ordained to the ministry two years ago. Possessing the advantages of a liberal education at the Academy and Theological Seminary, the hope of a bright future, and the prospect of future usefulness in the vineyard of the Lord seemed surely to await him, but he has been taken away. He died in Onslow County, N. C., where he had been Missionary and Pastor, beloved by many christians, and honored by friends for his deep piety. . . .

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DIED.

ALDERMAN.---At the home of her husband at Moore's Creek, Pender county, on June, 1886, Mrs. BRILLA ALDERMAN, wife of Owen Alderman, aged 72 years. Deceased was converted under the preaching of the late Elder Geo. Fennell, and joined the Moore's Creek church near by fifty years ago. She died in the faith of her church, having served her generation faithfully. Sister Alderman was a lady of excellent character. She was modest, refined and intelligent, and always had a kind word for those who were about her. As her home was one of plenty, so it was one of quiet christian love and affection both for her own husband and for all who had the good fortune to share her hospitality. But as a christian and a church member, she shone most conspicuously. Her life was one of devotion to the cause of Jesus, her death one of triumph, and an abundant entrance into the saint's everlasting rest. She was the mother of the late Rev. A. B. Alderman who passed before her into heaven a few years since. She was a great sufferer for over twenty years, but never murmured nor complained. She died peacefully in the home which she had blessed so long, and her last words addressed to her loved ones were, "I want you all to meet me in heaven".

PASTOR.

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	Age
OWEN ALDERMAN	40
BRILLA ALDERMAN	37
HENRY ALDERMAN	9
WILLIAM H. ALDERMAN	7
ELIZABETH ALDERMAN	6
ARABELLA ALDERMAN	5
ASA ALDERMAN	3
OWEN ALDERMAN, JR.	1