

Thomas George Faulkner

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Mr. Thomas G. Faulkner, of Lower Heyford, Northampton Third Circuit, passed into the company of the Throne in the early hours of 10th September 1917 in his seventy-ninth year.

He not only realized great success in his business, but he achieved for God and the race wonderful service and results. Converted at the early age of twelve years, he continued loyal to Christ and his Church. He unsparingly placed his time, strength, and substance at the disposal of his Saviour and his fellow-men. His home was open to all preachers, and right generously did he treat them.

He founded the school in the village, and for fifty-five years was its superintendent and treasurer, and for the same period was treasurer of the Church. The land upon which it stands he readily gave. For fifty years he was society steward. For many years he toiled as a lay-preacher. He represented his circuit in many District Synods and was a delegate from the London 1 District to the Conferences held at Burnley, Leeds and Leicester.

In public life he was equally a busy honoured man. For thirty years he was on the Northampton Board of Guardians, beside being treasurer of the A.O.F., governor of the day schools, chairman of Parish Council, and Burial Board, and as a staunch Liberal by vote and work, helped the cause of the people and right.

His was a character exemplary. All his children are members of our church, two sons and five daughters. He was interred on 13th September, Rev. T. Peatfield conducted the service, and was assisted by Revs. J.H. Saxton, J. Annison and J. Batson (Baptist). Hundreds gathered to pay their tribute to so noble a man including representatives from the three Northampton Circuits and several public bodies. We thank God for his life aid will endeavour to follow his splendid example.



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