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Mr. Cox was one of Morton's most respected citizens, having served as the town's first mayor soon after coming here from Estancia, N. M. in 1931.

He was in the mercantile business here for several years until his health failed and he was forced to quit active work.

He was married December 12, 1901 and to this union four children were born, Herman of Los Angeles, California, English, Willard and Miss Minnie of Morton.

He was converted in early manhood and lived a consecrated Christian throughout his life.

Funeral services were held in the First Methodist Church, Saturday at 2:30 with Rev. J. W. Watson, pastor, officiating and B. B. Huckabay, Baptist minister assisting.

Rowland's Funeral service had charge of the arrangements and interment was made in the local cemetery.

He is survived by his widow, and the above named children, also two sisters, Mrs. F. T. Meadows of Estancia, N. M., Mrs. R. M. Cox, of Albuquerque, N. M., three brothers, E. L. of Hamlin, Frank, of Tulsa, Okla., A. B. Cox of Kentucky.

Out of town relatives attending the funeral were Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Cox of Hamlin, Mr. and Mrs. F. T. Meadows and children, Thomas, Anna, Gertrude, of Estancia, N. M., Amy of Santa Fe, N. M., Troy of Pleasant View, N. M., Mrs. Robert Brazil and Mrs. Jack Korber and husband of Albuquerque; three brothers of Mrs. Cox, Alvin, Ed and John Ingle, an aunt, Mrs. D. H. McDonald, and son Matt, and Mrs. Madison Davis, all of Estancia, N. M.

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