## **Thomas J. Brooks Obituary**

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Capt. Thomas J. Brooks died at his residence in this city shortly before 10 o'clock Monday night from the results of injuries received the same afternoon, caused by a runaway team of mules and wagon. He was born on the 10th day of October, 1829, near this city, in what was then Henry County but is now Spalding, and was in his 61st year. He married here when about twenty years of age. He was a member of the Masonic fraternity for 39 years and a member of the Knights of Honor. By the latter order his family will get an insurance benefit of \$2,000. He had just six days before he was hurt taken out an accident policy, which will leave the family an additional \$5,000.00. He leaves a wife and seven children. Of these children several are married, two of them J. C. and J. A. Brooks, living in this city.