

Ned Bailor

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DEATH OF NED BAILOR-VALUE OF CHARACTER IN THE HUMBLEST CITIZEN STRIKINGLY ILLUSTRATED

On the 16th of December Ned Bailor died; on the 17th he was buried. Who was Ned Bailor?

A colored man of ripe old age, an humble worker, a member of the African Baptist church, of the colored Masonic and Benevolent societies; for years past a drayman on his own account, and engaged in this work when prostrated by his last illness.

Truthful, honest, faithful, a leading singer in the church choir of his church, treasurer of benevolent societies organized among his people, he won and held the confidence of all, both white and black.

During the war he was in the service with Mr. Wiggins, of Waynesville in the Fourth Georgia cavalry, acting as drummer. Since the organization of our military company he has been its drummer.

At his funeral the colored Masons turned out in force, the church was crowded with people, the Brunswick Riflemen marched to the colored cemetery from the church and buried him with military honors. A more striking tribute to true worth in the humblest station was never known than this. It teaches to all, the highest and the humblest, the value of a worthy life, the certainty of its recognition everywhere and under all circumstances.