

R. E. Shore, a venerable citizen of San Benito county, and a California pioneer, was born in Washington county, Missouri, November 6, 1827. In 1850 he came to California, making the journey through New Mexico and from San Diego coming north into the mining districts. He spent about ten years in placer mining. In 1861 he located in Santa Clara county, near Mountain View, and made that place his home until 1870. That year he came to San Benito county, bought a ranch of McClay & Springer, and on this place is probably settled for life.

Mr. Shore is one of the survivors of the Mexican war. He was under General Price, served eighteen months, was honorably discharged, and now draws a pension.

August 19, 1863, Mr. Shore was married in Santa Clara county, to Miss Martha Janes, daughter of William Janes, deceased. She was a native of Missouri and was a most estimable woman. Her death occurred March 20, 1890. Following are the names of their children: Grace, wife of William Brown of San Felipe; Frank E., a resident of Hollister; Ruth, wife of William Beggs, now of Ann Arbor, Michigan; George W., of Hollister; Itha at home; Fred, of San Jose; Ernest P., at home.

Mr. Shore has served on the Board of Supervisors of San Benito county and as one of the Trustees of his school districts.

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