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INFORMATION about Samuel W. Brown

BORN

Chief of the Euchee's
In Arkansas in 1832
Died in June 1935.

Source

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Samuel W. Brown's burial place is in the cemetery south of Sapulpa.

Mr. Veichman, was personally acquainted with Brown during the last twenty-five years of his life. Brown had all about the Euchee tribe, and in a little book, which he always carried in his pocket kept record of all the dates of birth of each member, the dates of all marriages, and the names, also, any other dates of any importance.

Anyone wishing to obtain information about the tribe always went to Brown. When asked about a member his first remarks were usually "Let's see, they were a cousin of mine." Then to his pocket after the little book in order to tell when and where they were born, who they married and when, and the names of all members of the particular family.

The Creeks are still very peculiar in habit and custom. They place articles, such as clothing, food, or any other article of which a member of the tribe might be particularly attached in the casket at the time of burial.

Not very long ago a member of the tribe died at Sapulpa. His brother went to town to buy a suit of clothes in which to bury him. The clerk brought out a suit with only one pair of pants. The brother refused this suit, and asked for one with two pairs, in order that he might have an extra pair to place in the casket.