

DEATH OF MISS WHALEY  
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## **OBITUARIES**

# **Miss Whaley Dies; Resident 89 Years**

Miss C. Lillian Whaley, owner of the historic Whaley House at 2482 San Diego Ave., died Sunday in a Lemon Grove Rest home.

Until last November, Miss Whaley resided in the old family home, reputedly the first red brick house to be built in California south of San Francisco. It was erected in 1856 by her father, Thomas Whaley, pioneer San Diego merchant. Born in San Francisco, she lived in San Diego 89 years.

Miss Whaley was an 1883 graduate of Russ High School, predecessor of San Diego High School, and taught school at San Luis Rey and National City. She joined the staff of the San Diego Public Library in 1897 and retired in 1932. She was a member of the San Diego Historical Society.

Survivors are a niece, Mrs. Mable E. James, of San Jacinto; a nephew, Bruce Whaley, of Los Angeles, and a great niece, Mrs. Margaret A. Gerlach, of 4668 Esther St., San Diego.

The body will lie in state in the Johnson-Saum & Knobel Mortuary, 1408 Fourth Ave., from 6 p.m. tonight until 1 p.m. tomorrow. Private services will be held tomorrow afternoon, followed by cremation.