

THE FORREST FUNERAL.

MEMPHIS, Tenn., Oct. 31.—The funeral of Gen. Forrest took place at noon, at the Cumberland Presbyterian Church, the Rev. Dr. Stainback, who had been a private soldier under Forrest, officiating. Not only the church, but the street for squares, was crowded with people. Among the pall-bearers were Jefferson Davis, Gov. Porter, the Hon. Jacob Thompson and Col. Galloway, and Dr. Cowan and Maj. Rambant, of Forrest's staff. After the service was concluded, the funeral cortege took up the line of march,—up Second and down Main,—and was com-

posed of mounted ex-Confederates preceding the hearse; music, Odd Fellows, Chickasaw Guards, Bluff City Grays, Memphis Light Guards, Memphis artillery, ex-Confederate soldiers, ex-Union soldiers, civil organizations, Mayor and City Council, Fire Department, and citizens on foot. Business was suspended during the funeral ceremonies, and thousands of persons lined the sidewalks to witness the honors paid the deceased. The remains were interred at Elmwood, with the Odd Fellows' rites and military honors.

The General was dressed in his old uniform, at his own request, and as the casket containing the remains was carried into the church it was almost impossible to keep back the crowd, so anxious were all to take a last look at his face.

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