## History of Rice Middle School

## Charles Millard Rice

Charles Millard Rice was born in 1847 in Kentucky. He came to Plano about 1871. He married Irene Forman, daughter of Joseph and Elizabeth Forman, in 1874. Mrs. Rice had a dairy east of town and a butcher shop in Plano in the 1890s. He bought land on the east side of town where they made their home, and he was a successful farmer.

Mr. Rice was director of the Plano National Bank and later of the First National Bank of Plano. He served as a commissioner of Collin County, being elected in 1894, and again in 1896. He served on the Board of Aldermen of the City of Plano. The Rice family attended the First Christian Church of Plano where they were active members.

C.M. and Irene Rice had five children: Rosa Lee, who married W. O. Haggard; Bryan, who died at age 26; Joe, who married Mary Lou Carter; Guy, who married Laura Belle Weaver; and Roy, who became a doctor and married Eleanor Burhart. Descendants of C.M. Rice living in the Plano area include Lurene Rice Price and Emajean Haggard Hall.



Irene Forman Rice



C.M. Rice